

REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NACOGDOCHES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
January 30, 2024 @ 5:15 P.M.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Lisa King, President
Sean Hightower, Vice-President
John McLaren, Secretary
Justin B. Sowell
Wesley McKnight
David Schaefer

Absent

John Sparks

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Lynn Lindsey, Administrator
Rhonda McCabe, COA (call-in)
Ella B. Nobles, Operations Manager
Wade Blake, EMS Manager
Michelle McCollum, Project Manager
Scott Skelton, Legal Counsel
Holli V. Pryor-Baze, Legal Counsel
Deborah Williamson, Legal Counsel

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Lisa King called the regularly scheduled board meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Sean Hightower motioned to approve the December 21, 2023, board minutes as presented, seconded by Justin Sowell. The motion carried.
- III. **CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:** Candace McGuire. Ms. McGuire presented updated information on behalf of Lion Star LLC., regarding the Auxiliary /Gift Shop audit and submitted two checks to the Board of Directors for back payment owed by Lion Star LLC.
- IV. **FACILITIES UPDATE & IMPROVEMENTS:** Michelle McCollum- Ms. McCollum stated that there are some facility improvements that the Hospital District has provided to the hospital to share with you today listed below:

As Landlords, the Hospital District strives to ensure a safe and functional environment for all patients, staff, and visitors.

In 2023, the Hospital District replaced 338 obsolete smoke detectors located on the old side of the building to maintain life safety in the event of a fire.

The Cath Lab Elevator #5 bottom cylinder was replaced to resume operation after it was closed due to a hydraulic leak.

Elevator #3 near the cafeteria was upgraded to increase its life cycle and ensure safer operation.

Elevator #4 near the cafeteria is pending scheduling the upgrade as soon as the parts are in. Upon completion, both elevators will have new power units.

Bomar Rehabilitation has a new nurse call system, and a new Rauland Responder 5 nurse call has been ordered for the ICU to replace the obsolete system that is currently in place.

A Siemens Building Management System was purchased for the building automation system to replace the 1998 existing system, which has reached the end of life. This system monitors and provides notification alarms for the cooling and heating plants, valve boxes, and Mechanical Rooms in the event of failure. In November, Siemens requested and is waiting for the Lion Star IT Dept. and Plant Operations to provide the server and data drops for each required panel.

The District purchased a new water heater needed on the 4th-floor penthouse, and Lion Star later requested the District to pay for the installation, which has been completed.

The columns in the Cafeteria Dining Room need replacement and could pose a safety hazard. Replacement of the columns was scheduled to begin on December 18, 2023. Due to non-payment from Lion Star to the contractor on previous services provided, the job has been delayed.

In 2024, the County Hospital District wants to expand the EMS Services to serve our community better. The Cushing Clinic has been relocated and will be remodeled to house EMS staff to cover the North end of Nacogdoches. The Wood Street Warehouse is undergoing plans to be remodeled for EMS staff and offices.

I will make rounds and inspections of the Hospital and Rehab sometime in January.

- V. AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Wade Blake-** Mr. Blake presented the Ambulance Committee's December report. Mr. Blake reported 29 major accidents, ER sick calls, 171, one long-distance transfer, and 28 routine transfers, totaling 229 runs for Memorial Hospital.

In addition, Medical Center had 11 major accidents, 239 ER sick calls, four long-distance transfers, and 53 routine transfers, totaling 307 runs for Medical Center.

Mr. Blake also reported other local transfers without transporting victims (233), public relations (12), and stand-by of other agencies (17).

Other items mentioned included refurbishing the old ambulances, and ambulance #652 needs a new transmission.

VI. ACTION AND PURCHASE REQUESTS

- A. Results of Operations: Lynn Lindsey-** Ms. Lindsey presented the Results of Operations to the Board—A motion to approve was made by Sean Hightower and seconded by Wesley McKnight. Motion carried.

B. Capital Purchases & Expenditures

- 1. 2023 RAM PROMASTER 2500 Chassis Wheelchair Van: Lynn Lindsey:** Motion made by John McLaren to purchase the 2023 Ram ProMaster wheelchair van for \$90,145.00. Motion seconded by Westley McKnight. Motion carried.

VIII. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Administrator Report / Board Calendar

B. Board Calendar as follows:

- Strategic Committee meeting Tuesday, February 13, 2024 @ noon.
- Finance & Facility meeting Thursday, February 2024 @ 1:30 p.m. (no date and time set)
- Regular Board meeting Tuesday, February 27, 2024, @ 5:15 p.m.

IX. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- Consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation under Tex. Govt. Code §551.071
- Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, and Duties of an Employee under Tex. Govt. Code §551.074
- Deliberation of the provision of healthcare services under Tex. Govt. § Code 551.085

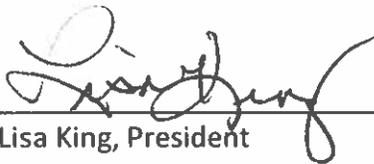
X. Regular Board Meeting Adjourned: @ 5:44 p.m.

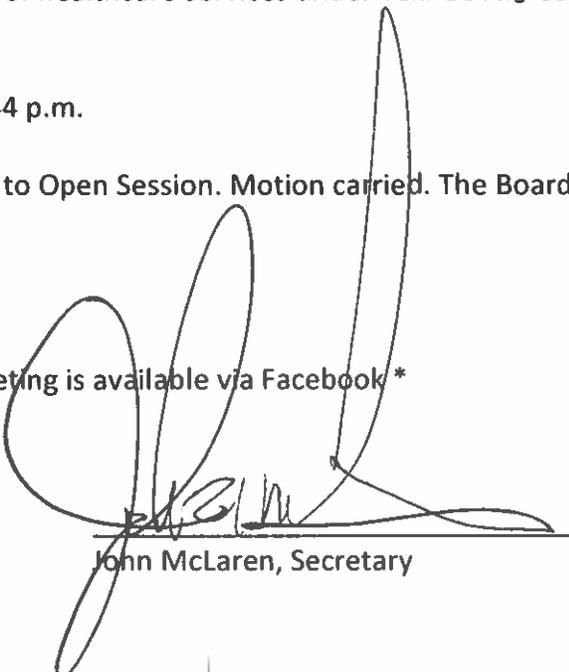
XI. Executive Session @ 5:45 p.m.

XII. Motion made by Justin Sowell to return to Open Session. Motion carried. The Board returned to open sessions @ 6:47 p.m.

XIII. Adjourned @ 6:48 p.m.

The regular open meeting is available via Facebook



Lisa King, President

John McLaren, Secretary