

**REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NACOGDOCHES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
September 26, 2023 @ 5:15 P.M.**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Lynn Lindsey, Administrator  
Rhonda McCabe, CAO  
Ella B. Nobles, Operating Manager  
Wade Blake, EMS Manager  
**Rodrigo Figueroa, Legal Counsel / Dykema (on call)**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Lisa King called the regularly scheduled board meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Auxiliary Conference Center.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Sean Hightower motioned to approve the August 22, 2023, board minutes as presented and seconded by Fred Groover. Motion carried.

**III. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:** None

**IV. Retirement Committee-Wesley McKnight:** Mr. McKnight described the new opportunity for participants to roll the money into a qualified plan in addition to annuities. In addition, Mr. McKnight mentioned options for exiting the plan. No action was taken.

**V. Ambulance Committee Report-Wade Blake:** Mr. Blake presented the Ambulance Committee's August report. Mr. Blake stated 11 major accidents, ER sick calls, 167, five long-distance transfers, and 24 routine transfers, totaling 207 runs for Memorial Hospital.

In addition, the Medical Center had nine major accidents, 228 ER sick calls, 11 long-distance transfers, and 43 routine transfers, with 291 runs for the Medical Center.

Other items discussed: The effect of the United Auto Workers strike on purchasing ambulances and the supply of chips, a new affiliation with Southwest Ambulances Company out of Fort Worth specializing in remounting, and the new Frazier's in production that would hopefully be delivered by March 2024, new Ford's will be delivered by May 2024.

EMS will provide a unit on site for upcoming events, including the county fair, high school football games, SFA football games, UIL band concerts, and Veterans Day Parade.

**VI. INDIGENT PROGRAM- Jose' Jesus Rubalcava:** Mr. Rubalcava presented the Indigent Program (formerly public assistance program) update. The new changes in the indigent program required some training when applying for this program. One must be a resident of Nacogdoches County; then, we look for resources and income.

Mr. Rubalcava stated that over 100 eligible clients have applied for the program in the last five months. Also, the program now has access to a drug store to provide three prescriptions.

In addition, the program makes sure that our community stays healthy by reaffirming our relationships with Care First Clinic, East Texas Community Health, specialist, physical therapy, and wound care.

Mr. Rubalcava works alongside Kristine Sutton, our healthcare consultant, who works diligently with patients and referring physicians. April Johnson is our claims processor.

## **VII. ACTION AND PURCHASE REQUESTS**

- A. Results of Operations-Lynn Lindsey:** Motion made by Fred Grover to approve Results of Operations seconded by John McLaren. Motion carried.
- B. Discuss and Possible Action regarding the Notice of Default sent to Lion Nacogdoches Hospital, LLC-Rodrigo Figuera:** Motion made By Fred Groover to take VII.B. to Executive Session seconded by Sean Hightower. Motion carried.

**C. Contracts & Agreement**

- 1. Sale of 907 Mound Street-Lynn Lindsey:** Motion made by Sean Hightower to approve the sale of 907 Mound St. Motion seconded by Wesley McKnight. Lisa King, Wesley McKnight, John McLaren, Sean Hightower, Justin Sowell, and David Schaefer voted in favor of the sale. Fred Groover was asked to abstain due to the conflict of interest. Motion carried.

Also, let the record show Fred Groover signed an affidavit disclosing substantial interest in a business entity or real property form before a notary and filed all documents relating to the purchase with the Nacogdoches County Clerk's office. The Board of Directors gives Lynn Lindsey, administrator, the authority to execute the sale.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS / Board Calendar**

- Correct calendar dates: move the Finance Committee meeting to Thursday, October 26, 2023, 5:15 p.m. and the Regular Board meeting to Monday, October 30, 2023, 5:15 p.m. Other scheduled meetings: Board Retreat September 28, 2023, at the Fredonia Convention Center @ 5:00 p.m.

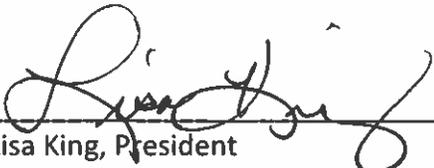
**IX. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE FOLLOWING**

- Consultation 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. Adjourned:** Lisa King stated that there was no further business.

**Meeting adjourned @ 6:02 p.m.**

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Lisa King, President

  
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Sean Hightower, Vice-President