

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
WALKER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
March 22, 2023**

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The Board of Managers of the Walker County Hospital District, Walker County, Texas, met in a regular session, open to the public on March 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in the Walker County Hospital District Conference room located at the First National Bank building.

Members of the Board present included:
 Chairman, Anne Woodard
 Vice Chairman, Joe Sapp
 Secretary, Curtis Montgomery
 Manager, Lane Aiena

Absent from the meeting was Manager, Jerry Larrison.

Also, in attendance were Ralph Beaty, WCHD Administrator, Keli Molina WCHD Administrative Assistant, and members from the public and noted on the sign in sheet.

Agenda Item 1: Call meeting to order.

Chairman Anne Woodard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Agenda Item 2: Consider approving the minutes for the public meeting held on January 25, 2023.

Joe Sapp made a motion to approve, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3: Comments from the public. If you wish to address the Board of Managers, please register prior to the meeting being called to order.

No comments from the public were made.

Agenda Item 4: Comments and reports from Huntsville Community Hospital Corporation administration.

Patrick Shannon CEO stated they are in the middle of their survey season and have about 65% on the respond rate so far but still a little more time to go for this. We did a series of Town Hall Meetings and around 150 employees showed up and we also decided to do a video for those employes who could not make it. The physician survey starts April 1st and Doctor's Day is March 30 and start off with a breakfast for them and a lunch that day too. We are working on finishing up the Private Rooms at the hospital. From a Capital standpoint we have made some investments in the Operating Room with new anesthesia machines and endoscopy equipment and surgical towers as well. As a result of this our surgeries are now up 30% from the prior year and

57% on the outpatient side. We have also hired an Orthopedic PA to assist Dr. Spaw. We are pleased that we have now matched all four family medicine residents 2 MD'S and 2 DO'S, 3 from Texas and 1 From Florida and they will be starting July 3rd 2023. Our admins over over 3.5% from prior year and our ER Visits are up 8% from prior year. The Surgical is up 36% Outpatient 57% from prior year. The ED and OB are both doing well and the clinic volumes are up 50% from prior year. The length of stay went from 6 to a 5 but needs to be at a 4.

Agenda Item 5: Receive presentation of the audit of Walker County Hospital District's 2020 financial records from Davis, Heinemann & Company.

Dianne Sollock from Davis, Heinemann & Company presented the WCHD 2020 financial audit. This will be discussed and possibly voted on at next month's WCHD Board Meeting.

Agenda Item 6: Review and discuss the Samuel Walker application to waive their 2023 taxes.

Curtis Montgomery made a motion to approve, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7: Review and consider approving the monthly financial report for January & February 2023.


Curtis Montgomery made a motion to approve, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 8: Consider approving payment of monthly bills for January & February 2023.

Lane Aiena made a motion to approve, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 9: Adjourn meeting.

With their being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.


Curtis Montgomery, WCHD Secretary


Anne Woodard, WCHD Chairman