

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
WALKER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
September 13, 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 September 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in the Walker County Hospital District Conference room located on the 6th floor of the First National Bank building.

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

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 6:04 pm.

Agenda Item 2: Consider approving the minutes for the public meeting held on August 23, 2023.

Joe Sapp made a motion to approve, Lane Aiena 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 for the month of August the hospital had 279 admissions, the emergency room had 1,869 visits, 261 surgeries, GI had 295 procedures and the clinic had 2,000 visits. He also stated that they had Town Hall Meetings and also did videos for those that could not attend with 30 or 40 attending each session with a total of 100.

Ian Gibson COO gave a report on the improvements to the hospital. He stated Entergy is still working on the final pricing for a new generator on 2 locations at the hospital. Ian stated they have completed the setup on some of the HVAC'S and still have some being ordered, currently working on Shaft 1 of the elevator, replaced the diesel pump and will be building a clean room in the Pharmacy in the near future.

Agenda Item 5: Discuss proposal for HMH subsidies and potential vote regarding subsidies.

Joe Sapp made a motion to approve HMH subsidies, Lane Aiena seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 6: Review and consider approving the monthly financial reports.

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

Agenda Item 7: Consider approving payment of monthly bills.

Curtis Montgomery made a motion to approve the monthly bills, Jerry Larrison seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda 8: Receive public input regarding the 2024 Walker County Hospital District Budget.

No one from the public was present to give public input on the budget.

Agenda 9: 2024 Budget Workshop.

Board members discussed each line item on the budget.

Agenda 10: Adopt 2024 budget.

After review, Joe Sapp approved the 2024 budget, Jerry Larrison seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda 11: Discussion regarding the 2023 proposed tax rate and potential vote.

The board discussed the tax rate for 2023. Jerry Larrison approved the 2023 tax rate of .0977223 and approved a public hearing for this rate, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda 12: Approve the Unopposed Candidate certificate for the November 7, 2023 election.

After review, Curtis Montgomery approved the Unopposed Candidate certificate for the November 7, 2023 election, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

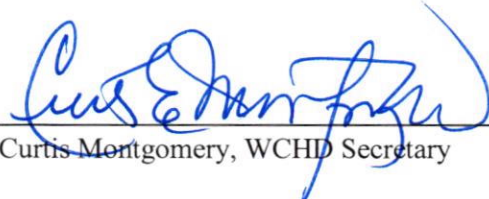
Agenda 13: Approve the Order Cancellation for the November 7, 2023 election.

After review, Lane Aiena approved the Order Cancellation for the November 7, 2023 election, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 14: Adjourn meeting.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.


Anne Woodard, WCHD Chairman


Curtis Montgomery, WCHD Secretary