

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
WALKER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
August 14, 2024**

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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 August 14, 2024, 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, Jerry Larrison
Manager, Lane Aiena
Manager, Curtis Montgomery

Also, in attendance were WCHD Administrator, Ralph Beaty, Keli Molina WCHD Administrative Assistant and members of the public which are 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 Regular Meeting held on August 14, 2024.

Joe Sapp made a motion to approve, Lane Aiena seconded. The motion was 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 admissions for the month of July were 312 and since we had 8 surgeons out on vacation the surgery volume was low for this month. We now have a B for our Leapfrog score, this is a great score and we are very proud of it, these scores range from A-F. Memorial Herman Physicians have taken over the Emergency Room now and this is going very well. On October 15th we sign a contract with HCA'S Neurology and they will take over on the inpatient setting of neurology. The Foundation Board will be having their first meeting soon, this board will have 13 members with 2 still needed. The first foundation fund raiser will be a Golf Tournament that is scheduled for September 16th at Elkins Lake. We have a new OB doctor starting next August 2025, her name is Dr. Griffin and we just hired a new mid wife to start soon.

We have some interviews to replace the CFO here at the hospital for Mary Bevier's position, as you all know she will be leaving at the end of September.

Mary Bevier CFO stated an IGT payment will be made in August for \$843,000 and the state has issued a new schedule for the IGT'S for the remainder of this year.

Ian Gibson COO gave a report on projects and roof replacements needed at the hospital. He said they have 3 or 4 proposals already with 3 years installment warranties. We have had some leaks in a couple of the roofs during some of the storms recently and some of the leaks are very bad causing a lot of damage. The price will be \$515,000 for both together. He also stated that a valve is out on one of the elevators and will be repaired soon through warranty.

Agenda Item 5: Review and consider approving the monthly financial report.

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

Agenda Item 6: Consider approving payment of monthly bills.

Jerry Larrison made a motion to approve, Lane Aiena seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 7: Approve Order Calling for the Walker County Hospital District Board of Managers' General Election to be held November 5, 2024, for three (3) Managers to serve four (4) year terms each; and also appoint election judges, designate polling places and detailing provisions related to early voting.

After review, Joe Sapp approved the Order Calling for the November 5, 2024 Election, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 8: Authorize Joint Election Agreement between the County of Walker, City of Huntsville, City of New Waverly, City of Riverside, Huntsville Independent School District, New Waverly Independent School District and the Walker County Hospital District shall hold their respective general elections on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

After review, Lane Aiena approved the Joint Election Agreement for the November 5, 2024 Election, Joe Sapp seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 9: Executive Session: The Walker County Hospital District Board of Managers will adjourn into a closed session to meet and discuss a potential real estate transaction and a potential litigation matter.

Adjournment to closed session is necessary and authorized by Section 551.001 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) which is necessary specifically, without limitation.

Any action as a result of this session will occur when open meeting is reconvened.

Agenda Item 10: Reconvene into Open Session to discuss any potential action needed from executive session.

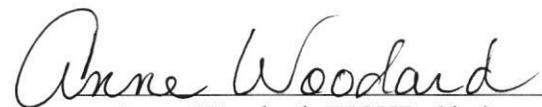
No action needed.

Agenda Item 11: Adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Jerry Larrison, WCHD Secretary



Anne Woodard, WCHD Chairman