

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
WALKER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
January 22, 2025**

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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 January 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Walker County Hospital District Conference room located at the First National Bank building 6th floor Blalock Room.

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 WCHD Administrator; Ralph Beaty, WCHD Administrative Assistant; Keli Molina and members from 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 6:00pm.

Agenda Item 2: 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 3: Comments and reports from Huntsville Community Hospital Corporation administration.

Patrick Shannon CEO stated December 2024 was not as good as previous months. Dr. Z will be resigning on January 16, 2025. Dr. Griffin will be starting in August 2025 in the office with Dr. Montgomery. Dr. Taylor’s last day will be February 7, 2025. We will be getting a vascular surgeon sometime in May or June 2025. We have been very busy with plans for the new Hospital Tower.

Paul Hansen CFO stated that December 2024 had 40 admissions lower than a year ago. We had more inpatient days from November to December and there were 174 surgeries, 1,803 ER visits and volume wise we have seen a lot of Community patients. The EMS volume is down but the walk-ins are up.

Ian Gibson COO stated our Entergy Program is right on schedule. The freeze we had did not have an impact on the hospital as we didn’t have any issues. We activated our ride out team and they stayed overnight. Repairs on the roof have started now and several cold-water pipes in the hallway will need to be replaced soon.

Agenda Item 4: Executive Session: The Walker County Hospital District Board of Managers will adjourn into a closed session to consult with their attorneys regarding legal matters relating to the potential funding and construction of a Hospital Tower Project and also to discuss personnel matters within Walker County Hospital District.

Adjournment to closed session is necessary and authorized by Section 551.071 and 551.074: 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.

The board had a discussion in executive session for the potential funding and construction of a Hospital Tower Project. They also discussed the benefits for their employee's.

Agenda Item 5: Consider approving the minutes for the public meeting held on November 13, 2024.

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

Agenda Item 6: Review and consider approving the monthly financial reports for November and December 2024.

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

Agenda Item 7: Consider approving payment of monthly bills for November and December 2024.

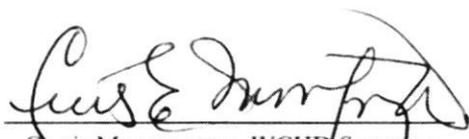
Lane Aiena made a motion to approve, Curtis Montgomery seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 8: Adjourn meeting.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.



Anne Woodard, WCHD Chairman



Curtis Montgomery, WCHD Secretary