



**THE MAVERICK COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2016**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman J. M. Farias at 12:08 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:**
Mr. Farias presided over the meeting and recognized the members present:
Present: Mr. JM Farias, Chairman, Mr. Ronald Hixson, Vice Chairman, and Mr. Ricardo Calderon, Trustee
Mrs. Celeste Lira, Legal Counsel, Mrs. Terri Contreras, CEO, Nestor Bonilla, CFO, Monica Nandin, PSG Clinic Manager, Kathy Vidal, MFAP Director, and members of the Media
Absent: Mr. Humberto Duran, Secretary/Treasurer
- III. **VISITOR RECOGNITION:** Mr. JM Farias recognized the visitors present. Mr. Richard Prati, CEO FDRMC and Mr. Joel Morales, CFO, FDRMC – Quarterly Summary of Community Report, and all the guests and staff were welcomed.
- Mr. Joel Morales presented the fourth quarter Summary of Community Report. A copy to the board for the whole year covering January to December 2015 was provided.
- IV. **Review and acceptance of minutes:**
A. Regular Board Meeting – November 10, 2015
Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Hixson, Vice Chairman, to accept the minutes. Mr. Farias asked for a second to the motion, as there was no second, Mr. JM Farias stepped down as Chair and Mr. Ronald Hixson took over the meeting. Mr. JM Farias seconded the motion. Mr. Calderon stated that he was not present at the meeting and could not approve or reject the minutes.
Vote was 2 in favor with 1 abstention. Motion carried. Mr. JM Farias returned to chair the meeting.
- V. **OLD BUSINESS:**
A. Discussion with possible action to identify and/or appoint Maverick County Hospital District Board of Directors' vacancy. Mr. Farias asked for this item to be tabled as one member of the Board was absent due to a job related matter. Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Hixson to table this item. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ricardo Calderon. All were in favor, motion carried.

B. Discussion with possible action of Maverick County Hospital District Legal Counsel contracted services.

Mrs. Terri Contreras, MCHD CEO, told the board that this item was under Old Business. She mentioned that it had been brought up at the last board meeting and that the current agreement has already lapsed but it is on a month to month. MCHD went out for bids and it is on the agenda if the board wants to decide and take action. Mrs. Contreras added that she prepared an evaluation of the proposals submitted by legal firms. She said this could be discussed in Executive Session if the board so desired. Mr. Ronald Hixson made the motion to move into Executive Session at this time. Mr. JM Farias stepped down as Chair and Mr. Hixson took over the meeting. Mr. Farias seconded the motion. Discussion continued with Mr. Calderon requesting this item be discussed in public. The vote to move into Executive Session was 2 in favor with 1 against. Motion carried. **The Board moved into Executive Session at 12:20 p.m. (14.29)**

- VI. The Board of Directors may also announce it will go into EXECUTIVE SESSION, if necessary, to receive advise from Legal Counsel regarding any item on this agenda. Time 12:20 p.m.**

Executive Session: The Board will announce it will convene into EXECUTIVE SESSION, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government code to consult with its Attorney; Section 551.074 regarding personnel matters, and Health Care Services pursuant to Section 551.085 of the Government Code.

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Cardiovascular Associates of San Antonio
Biiu Mathew Lukose, MD
Shamoon A. Doctor, MD
Paul E. Howard, MD
Legal Counsel Contract

- VII. Reconvene to Open Session: Time 1:56 p.m.
Return to Open Session with possible action by the Board on items discussed in Executive Session if needed.**

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Mr. Ricardo Calderon made a motion in regards to Legal Counsel Contract for services that MCHD retain the law firm of Alex Fuller as General Counsel, provide 30 day notice to Brin & Brin. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ronald Hixson. Mr. Calderon amended his motion to provide the Alex Fuller Law Firm a contract for three years at the prices that were quoted to the Hospital District in their request for proposal for all three years. Mr. Ronald Hixson seconded the motion with the addendum by Mr. Calderon. All were in favor. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

After Executive Session and voting on the new Law Firm for the District, the board continued with the following items on the agenda:

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:


C. Discussion with possible action on budgeted Capital expenditure to replace or repair Medical Office Building Cooling Tower. Mrs. Terri Contreras, MCHD CEO, informed the board that the Building and Grounds Committee had met and had recommendations for them. She said that this was an item which was budgeted for *repair*. She added that because of the latest updated assessments that there was a possibility that it needs to be replaced instead of repaired. The replacement would exceed the amount that has been budgeted. The board needs to make the decision to replace or repair. Mrs. Contreras mentioned that It required board approval because it exceeds the budget. Mr. Nestor Bonilla, CFO, informed the board that the repair has been budgeted at the cost of \$80,000.00. A new one to replace the cooling tower is \$160,000.00. Life expectancy on a new one is 15 to 20 years. The repair is at the cost of at least \$30,000.00 o \$40,000.00. The life span is three to five years with their guaranteed work of one year. Mr. Ricardo Calderon made motion to authorize administration to repair the Cooling Tower up to the amount that has been budgeted, not to exceed the \$80,000.00 budget. Due to lack of a second, motion died.

At this time, Mr. Ronald Hixson made motion to get a new Cooling Tower. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ricardo Calderon. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

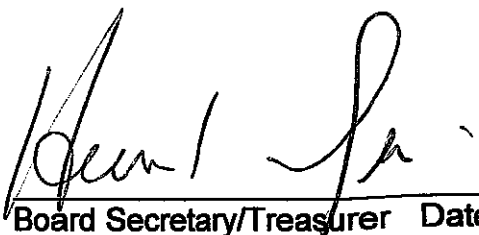
IX. Adjournment

Mr. Ronald Hixson made motion to adjourn and pick up the rest of the items listed under new business, presentation of monthly financial reports, investment reports and administrator reports` until the next monthly meeting. Due to lack of a second Mr. JM Farias stepped down as Chair to second the motion. Mr. Ronald Hixson took over the meeting. A brief discussion continued. The vote to table the rest of the items was two in favor and one against. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m.



Board Chairman Date



Board Secretary/Treasurer Date