

Ferry County Health

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING December 22, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Nancy Giddings called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 10:37 a.m. on December 22, 2020, via Zoom. Commissioners in attendance were Nancy Giddings, Ronald Bacon, DiAnne Lundgren, Jody Jannot and Sarah Krausse. Aaron Edwards, CEO; Brant Truman, CFO/COO; Julia Santana and Lacy Sharbono, Executive Assistant were present.

QUORUM ESTABLISHED: A quorum was present.

REVIEW, AMEND, ACCEPT AGENDA: A motion was made by Lundgren and seconded by Jannot to amend the consent agenda to add CT scanner and Hazard Pay under New Business. The motion passed unanimously.

GUEST: Elizabeth Corcoran and Scott Hylton

SAO Audit Exit: Elizabeth Corcoran and Scott Hylton reviewed the SAO audit.

CORRESPONDENCE: Giddings read a thank you cards from family of a resident that passed away.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Lundgren and seconded by Jannot to accept the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CLINIC REPORT: Santana reviewed the attached report.

MEDICAL STAFF REPORT: Garcia noted the following via message:

- We picked up where we left off on bylaws. We plan to make time after each med staff meeting to work on them.
- Very happy we were able to get the vaccine to Republic so soon and feel a big relief with getting our LTC residents, staff and providers vaccinated. We still need to continue to use face masks and take precautions.
- I have been impressed with lab having the quad plex has helped keep us safe with admissions and other high risk situations having 40 min turnaround time.

SAFETY REPORT: Truman reviewed the following:

- We have seen an increase of mental health patients in the ER needing security. Will be looking into this to keep our staff safe.
- The temporary doors between LTC and the nurse's station will be replaced soon.

CFO/COO REPORT: Truman reviewed the attached report and noted the following:

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- SAO recommendations.
- Reviewed possible grant ideas.
- We have decided to not bring billing in house at this time. Will stay with our current vendor at this time.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Truman reviewed the November financials.

Giddings called for a break at 11:35 a.m. Open session continued at 11:44 a.m.

Adam Volluz discussed different companies he has looked into for purchasing a new CT scanner.

CEO REPORT: Edwards reviewed the attached report and noted the following:

- We were able to vaccinate 74 employees with the Covid vaccine.
- Thank you to the City for helping sand the Covid village while we wait for our sander to get here.
- Presented the Smart Dollar information and Hazzard pay for employees.

A motion was made by Lundgren and seconded by Jannot to approve Hazard pay and Smart Dollar for employees. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Board QI Project: On hold.
- Facility Update: The DOH has signed off on Hermanson's work.
- Health Foundation: They did not meet.
- Board Succession: Will take off the agenda.
- Strategic Planning: On hold.
- Pharmacy: Working through everything to complete the purchase and transfer.
- Curlew Clinic: PT looking to have PT services in Curlew. Will present their ideas to the Board.

BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

- Finance: No Board concerns.
- Quality Improvement: Getting ready for 2021 QI projects.
- Compliance/Risk Management: No Board concerns.
- Medical Staff: No Board concerns.
- Credentialing: No Board concerns.
- EMS: Giddings noted Derek Gianukakis will be on the EMS board now.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CT Scanner:


A motion was made by Krausse and seconded by Lundgren to approve the purchase of a new CT scanner with digital x-ray upgrade. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Executive Session was called at 1:07 p.m. regarding RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

Open session resumed at 1:40 p.m. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

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Nancy Giddings, Chair Date DiAnne Lundgren, Secretary Date

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Lacy Sharbono, Recording Secretary Date