

**PELICAN VALLEY HEALTH CENTER  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
JULY 27, 2015**

The regular monthly meeting of the Pelican Valley Health Center Hospital District Board of Directors was held at 6:15 p.m. on Monday evening, July 27, 2015, in the PVHC meeting room. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rich Bratlien. Other board members present were Les Rotz, Jim McBride, Brad Knorr, Dave Slotten, John Waller, Shannon Erickson and Sue Bruggeman. Absent were: Joan Fouquette and Brian Evenson. Others present were: Barbara Garrity, Vickie Thompson, Christy Peasley, Mark Neu and Chad Miller.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Jim McBride, seconded by Les Rotz to accept the meeting agenda and the minutes of the previous month's meetings. Motion carried.

**REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

Chad Miller reported there was no legal report and left the meeting at this time. Mark Neu, Environmental Services Director, gave the Department Manager report this evening. Mark gave some history on himself and on the building. He said the age of the building is really beginning to show. Plumbing has been a big issue. Mark wonders how staff and families will react to the issue of the building project displacing everyone and the commotion involved during the project. Mark discussed with the board some of the aspects of the project. Mark feels that a lot of the problems he has been seeing with the building will be alleviated by the new project.

Les Rotz reported on the Construction Committee meeting held on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Tom Stiehl from Olaf Anderson Construction went through all the bids received. The group was better able to understand all that is involved in the project. A recommendation was given on the generator. The decision was to go with the A-1C, 350KW generator that will provide complete power to Sanford, the nursing home and Riverfront Manor. Another item that came up was getting approval for change orders. It was requested that the Construction Committee be allowed to approve change orders. Discussion followed. Meetings would be held with the construction committee as needed. We have to do material testing by a third party tester. Olaf Anderson will get a tester. At Riverfront Manor, the staircase has been removed and some joists are up and some flooring has been done. Barbara said that we are now advertising for Resident Assistants to provide 24 hour care in preparation for the opening of the memory care. October 1, 2015, is the goal for the opening date.

Barbara Garrity reported on the census which has been low at the nursing home. The case mix for June was also lower than it has been. We have had to send some staff home due to low census. Riverfront on Main had a fabulous month. In August, Riverfront on Main is projected to be at full occupancy. An activities position and some extra dietary hours have been added at Riverfront on Main. A part time support nurse has also been added to the assisted living staff. She will work mostly at Main. Riverfront Manor revenue was down a little. We had a move out from Manor to Main. Lots of interest in our services and tours are being given. Barbara reviewed the financials and explained unusual expenses and reviewed cash and investments. The building appraiser came today and got information needed and took pictures. Barbara summed up the new nursing facility payment system key elements. She included materials received from Leading Age regarding this in the board packets. The consensus was that we need to spend money to make money. We will eventually receive money spent now in our reimbursement rate at a later date. It is a very confusing system with many unknowns. It is still

unknown if the ECPN program will be discontinued. It is going away for next year, but it may be return. Barbara looked into laying away more beds, but it appears it is not worth it. She is also looking into applying for a moratorium exception. The nursing home will be getting rate increases on August 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> this year. The day care has been painted, flooring is being installed and the upgrades are nearing completion.

Vickie Thompson requested approval to write off \$2,436.08 of uncollectible accounts.

**BOARD ACTION/CONCERNS**

Motion made by Les Rotz, seconded by Brad Knorr to approve the financials as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Shannon Erickson, seconded by John Waller to approve write-off of the accounts presented. Motion carried. Motion by Les Rotz, seconded by Jim McBride to approve the purchase of the A-1C, 350KW generator for \$129,826.00 as discussed. Motion carried. Motion by Jim McBride, seconded by Brad Knorr to approve materials testing for \$10,000. After discussion regarding asbestos removal, motion carried. Motion by Jim McBride, seconded by Sue Bruggeman to authorize the Construction Committee to approve change orders. Motion carried. Sue Bruggeman commented on how pleased she was to be where we are today with our plans and thanked administration and supervisors for their part in making it happen.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Les Rotz, seconded by Jim McBride, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Vickie Thompson, Recording Secretary

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Dave Slotten, Secretary