



# Klickitat Valley HEALTH

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1 OF KLICKITAT COUNTY**  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 23 2023  
Zoom Meeting ID #861 2951 5191

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Klickitat Valley Health (KVH) Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A/B as well as via Zoom Conference Call. Commissioner Scott, President of the Board of Commissioners, was present Via Zoom, Commissioner Hocter was the acting presiding officer. A quorum was present including: Commissioners Pond, Ihrig, Hocter, Scott and Sigfrinius.

Also present were: Lori Groves, CFO; Charis Weis, Director of Human Resources and Community Outreach; Linda Compton, Out-Patient Clinic Director; Jonathan Hatfield, COO; Karrie West, Director Quality and Risk and Compliance Officer; Erin Wooley, CNO; Jonathan Lewis, Director Environmental Services; as well as Barbara Bostick, Recorder.

## **CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE**

Board Vice-President Hocter called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Commissioner Pond made a motion to approve the Agenda with the change of Vice-President Hocter acting as the presiding officer. Commissioner Sigfrinius seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Vice-President Hocter asked all commissioners present if anyone had any conflict of interest regarding any items on the agenda. Commissioners noted no conflict of interest.

## **Public Comment/Business from the Audience**

No comments.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Ihrig made a motion to approve the July 2023 Consent Agenda as presented, including: Regular Meeting Minutes from July 19, 2023 and Special Meeting Minutes from July 21, 2023; as well as Accounts Payable in the amount of \$963,681.80; and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$1,914,736.47 and Bond payments in the amount of \$ 3,890.00; and Bad Debt in the amount of \$26,930.59 and Charity Care in the amount of \$ 94,975.97. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sigfrinius. The motion carried.

### **Special Presentation/Board Education**

Jonathan Hatfield, COO provided a review of a PowerPoint that had been presented to CEO's at the WSHA Chelan Retreat regarding Receptivity Training. (Please see copy of PowerPoint included in the Board record book).

### **Medical Staff Update**

Dr. MacGillivray referred to the Medical Staff Meeting minutes in the Board packet.

### **Succession Planning Update**

Jonathan Hatfield reviewed the succession plan update that he had provided in the Board record book. Jonathan reported that he is still working on handing off some responsibilities. He noted that he is continuing to meet with Karrie, Edgar and Joni. He also noted that CRNA coverage models are being looked at and an ED Risk Matrix has been formed to address specific areas of concern. Additionally, Jonathan reported that Skyline has a new CEO, Matt Kollman. He noted that Matt will be coming to KVH for a visit soon and we will continue to work on collaboration with Skyline.

### **Resolution 2023-14 Surplus Property.**

The Board reviewed the items included in the Resolution, after discussion, Commissioner Ihrig made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-14 as presented. Commissioner Pond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Resolution 2023-15 Authorizing Line of Credit.**

Lori Groves noted that this line of credit is the same as before, it is a one million dollar line of credit and the fee is \$2,500. She added that the fee and any payments on funds drawn from the line of credit, need to come from a Bank of the West account. She noted that the County has an account with them. There was some discussion regarding the necessity of including Board members on as signers. Lori reported that there are currently three Board members listed as bank signers and a bond has to be purchased for each signer. She noted that it has been a rare occasion that a Board member has been needed for a bank signature. Commissioner Ihrig noted that he doesn't think it is necessary to have three Board members listed as signers, but it may be good to have the Board President listed as a signer. Following discussion, Commissioner Pond made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-15 renewing a line of credit with Bank of the West. Commissioner Ihrig seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Hospitalist Program Rate Increase**

Jonathan Hatfield noted that in 2018 Dr. Donohoe provided an alternative hospitalist staffing option through his company Northwest Hospitalists, PLLC. Dr. Donohoe's group has been very successful and he has been very cost conscious. In 2019 his group went to a PA model with Dr. Donohoe working as hospitalist one week a month and over-seeing the PA's. Additionally, Jonathan noted that the contract with Northwest Hospitalists auto-renews and there has been no rate increase since 2019. He reported that rates elsewhere increased significantly during covid and Dr. Donohoe has recently approached us and asked for a 5% increase. He noted that after looking at Milliman scales and alternative models, it was determined that we are getting a great deal and it is his and Leslie's recommendation to continue hospitalist services

through Dr. Donohoe and Northwest Hospitalists, PLLC. Following discussion, Commissioner Ihrig made a motion to authorize CEO Leslie Hiebert to execute an agreement to increase Northwest Hospitalist, PLLC annual rate by 5% for providing hospitalist services to KVH effective October 1, 2023. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Written reports were presented from Leslie Hiebert, CEO; Lori Groves, CFO; Jonathan Hatfield, COO; Jonathan Lewis, Director of Environmental Services and Safety Officer and Linda Compton, Out Patient Clinic Director; Erin Wooley, CNO; Dr. MacGillivray, Chief of Staff and Charis Weis, Director of Human Resources and Community Outreach; and Karrie West Director of Quality and Risk and Compliance Officer. Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to accept the reports as presented Commissioner Pond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION


Vice-President Hctor stated that the Board would be going into Executive Session at 5:05 p.m. for approximately 25 minutes for the purpose of evaluating the qualifications of an applicant for public employment allowed per RCW 42.30.110 (g) and will return to open public session at 5:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. Vice-President Hctor noted it would be an additional 15 minutes and they will return to open public session at 5:45 p.m. At 5:45 p.m. Vice-President Hctor noted they would need an additional 30 minutes and will return to open public session at 6:15 p.m.

### RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board returned to Public Session at 6:15 p.m.

### ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Sigfrinius made a motion to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. Commissioner Ihrig seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

  
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Crystal Scott, Board President  
Larry Hctor,  
Board Vice-President

  
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Ron Ihrig, Board Secretary