

TEHACHAPI VALLEY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

116 W E Street
Tehachapi, CA 93561
March 16, 2021

4:30pm

Board Present: Mike Nixon, Chair; Christine Sherrill, William Steele, Duane Moats, Sam Conklin

Staff Present: Lisa Hughes, Business Manager; Caroline Wasielewski, CEO; Chet Beedle, CFO via teleconference; Scott Nave, Counsel via teleconference

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Mike Nixon called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Kathleen Murguia addressed the Board about the success of walking campaign to educate the community about the website and services of myturn.org. Twelve people of the community handed out flyers. FIELD representatives and a few churches were part of the grassroots effort as well. Carlo's Donuts donated donuts and burritos. An article was submitted to the local paper by Laurie Rude-Betts. A copy of the article was distributed to the board members. Ms. Murguia has been monitoring the site and informed the Board that there are a handful of local providers offering the Covid vaccine through the website distribution. (Sav-On Pharmacy, Rite aid and Dr. Hall) The TVHD board had pledged to cover up to \$600 in printing costs for the handouts and Ms. Murguia submitted the invoices. The board was thanked for their support. Director Steele commented on the movement of the outreach and on how much has been accomplished in one month.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Board of Directors Meeting, 2/16/21
2. Board of Directors Meeting, SPECIAL, 3/5/21
3. Receive and File, Finance Committee, 2/10/21

4. Receive and File, Strategic Planning, 2/11/21
5. Receive and File, Strategic Planning, SPECIAL, 2/25/21
6. Ad Hoc Community Support Committee, 2/25/21

Consent Agenda Approval

MSA: STEELE/SHERRILL; 5-0; APPROVED

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Demolition of Old Hospital

Ms. Wasielewski presented the board with a recommendation from Strategic Planning. That committee would like to wait on commencing the demolition of the old hospital for at least 3 months and not longer than 6 months. With the continuation of Covid19 infections and the possibility of Kern County Fire Department using the building for quarantine activities, the committee believes holding off on demolition would be a wise move. Ms. Wasielewski spoke with the contractor and explained. The contractor still wants to complete the project and was amenable to the short delay. Ms. Wasielewski and Mr. Nave will work on a final draft of the demolition contract to be signed by contractor. Director Moats asked the board and administration to not wait too long due to potential scheduling issues with the contractor. He also reminded the board that once the building is down, options for what to put in its place will move forward. No board action was taken.

B. Solar Project at Adventist Hospital

Legal counsel Mr. Nave updated the Board that the easement at 1100 Magellan Drive is Broome property and the Broome representatives must approve any change in size. No board action was taken.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

None

VI. REPORTS

A. Chief Financial Officer Report (Beedle)

CFO Beedle reviewed the financials for the Board. As cash flow and revenues were presented as well as a cumulative look at the first 6 months of the fiscal year. Regarding expenses, auditor expenses were a little more than expected. The State of California has approved TVHD IGT request for FY21. The district will match the federal government \$1.6 million and will get back approximately \$1 million. Mr. Beedle explained the advantage of IGT monies and how it helps operations for both TVHD and Adventist Health.

B. CEO Report

Ms. Wasielewski reviewed the CEO report in the board packet. Highlights included continuing updating Board Bylaws and policies, attendance at a virtual compliance seminar in April, and upcoming required ethics training. She announced that TVHD has been awarded a \$300k grant from CalOES to be used to enhance our District's resiliency against power shutoff events.

Board of Director Travel

None

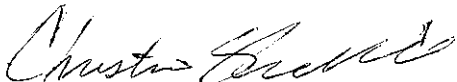
VII. BOARD COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm

Respectfully,



Christine Sherrill
Secretary