

## **West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board Meeting**

The West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on August 27, 2020.

The West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District monthly meeting was partially conducted by means of conference call on August 27, 2020 due to Covid-19.\*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** \*Dr. Michel Hirsch, \*Dr. Glenn Schexnayder, \*Mr. Glenn Robert, \*Mr. Michael Medine, Mr. David Dubreuil and Mr. Vince Cataldo

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ms. Loretta Larvadain

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ms. Nobie Landry,\* Mr. Larry Buquoi

### **1. CALL TO Order**

Dr. Michel Hirsch called the meeting to order at 12:00noon. On a motion by Mr. Michael Medine and a second by Mr. Glenn Robert the minutes of the July 30, 2020 board meeting were approved.

Dr. Hirsch expressed his condolences to Ms. Loretta Larvadain, DON and her family for the loss of her husband (Mr. Gerald Larvadain) on August 25, 2020.

### **2. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Nobie Landry presented the financial report and the sales tax report for review and discussion. The reports were approved as presented.

### **3. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Vince Cataldo gave findings of the monthly reports.

The architects and engineers are putting the final touches on the MOB plans. They are also working together to coordinate these projects.

Mr. Cataldo reported the storage building is near completion. A punch list is in progress. On August 19, 2020 the Fire Marshal inspected the building with no findings. A certification of substantial completion was signed on August 20, 2020.

The Drainage Impact Study required more elevation shots which have been completed. Due to the broken sewer line discovered in the Drainage Impact Study; the engineers are planning to replace the entire line on PMH property with PVC.

The mobile home to the rear of the hospital, which is used for storage is set up over the sewer line needing repairs. The Board authorized Mr. Cataldo to get

bids for the mobile home.

An affidavit was signed on July 9, 2020 to expropriate the remaining one third of the adjacent property.

The MOB negotiations and OLOL lease are still in progress.

The ER staff had requested an expansion of our Mindray Cardiac Monitoring System. After receiving price quotes and Board discussion, it was recommended a new system be purchased for inpatients and ER when the first half of the impatient renovations are completed.

Mr. Vince Cataldo gave an update on ongoing commercial lab and in-house COVID-19 testing.


An HR consultant was hired on August 6, 2020 (Ms. Stacey Nichols). She is in the process of reviewing the rough draft of the handbook. She would like to give training classes before the new handbook is activated. Ms. Nichols also agreed to do a salary survey for this region.

One Tele-Stroke and two Virtual Radiology physicians were granted provisional privileges. One wound care physician was approved for full privileges. Reappointment of one Tele-Stroke physician is in progress.

Construction of a semi-isolation room was approved by the Board to be constructed in the ER waiting area.


#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Michael Medine and seconded by Mr. Glenn Robert.



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Dr. Michel Hirsch, Board Chairman



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Mr. Vince Cataldo, Administrator/Secretary