

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
SWEENEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

September 15, 2020

Time 18:00

Members Present: P. T. Brunner, President, Mason Nichols, Vice-President  
Patti Foster, Secretary; Violet Weeks, Lisa Leal  
Charlie Genella (came at 1835)

Members Absent: Scott Swift

Others Present: Enrique Leal, III, M.D.  
Jason Martinez, Monroe Vos (by phone)  
Rick Harris – Milestone  
Warren Rayburn (came at 1825)

Employees Present: Kelly Park, Cindy Burge, Paige Townsend, Stuart Butler, Dana Quintanilla,  
Misty Linnett (to give flu shots)  
Noralene Corder (by phone)

1. **Call to Order** Mr. Brunner called the meeting to order at 1804.

2. The invocation was given by Mason Nichols.

3. **Record Members Present and Establish A Quorum**

There being 5 members present, a quorum was established. Mr. Genella expected to arrive later.

4. **Public Comments**

A. None

6. **New Business**

**B. Review/Approve Fiscal Year 21 Budget and adopt tax rate for 2020**

Noralene Corder gave an overview of the fiscal year 2021 operating budget and capital equipment.

After discussion, Mr. Brunner asked if anyone would like to make a motion to approve the fiscal year 2021 budget presented.

Mr. Nichols motioned to approve the hospital's operating budget including the capital equipment for fiscal year 2021 with changes made to capital requests. Ms. Foster seconded the motion, unanimous decision, motion carried.

This year's proposed tax rate does not exceed the no new revenue tax rate. Ms. Foster made a motion to adopt the tax rate of \$0.541229 per hundred dollar valuation for 2020. Ms. Leal seconded the motion, unanimous decision, motion passed.

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.**

**A. Report from Monroe Vos on recommended changes to retirement plans 401 (A) and 457(B)**

Mr. Martinez gave an overview of the recommended changes to the retirement plans 401(A) and 457 (B). After discussion, Ms. Weeks made a motion to replace Transamerica Mid Cap Value (MCVAX) with Nuance Mid Cap Value (NMVLX) in the core lineup as well as in the asset allocation strategies for both retirement accounts. Mr. Genella seconded the motion. Mr. Brunner and Mr. Nichols abstained, motion carried.

5. **Old Business**

**A. Replacement Hospital Update**

**(1) Consider and take action, if needed to engage Exterior Envelope Consultant**

Mr. Harris gave overview of recommendation to consider engaging an exterior envelope consultant. Proposal was received from Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. (WES). Part 1 would be design and detailing of documents totaling \$14,582 and Part 2 would be review of the construction for little above \$85,000 for the remainder.

After discussion, Ms. Weeks motioned to not hire an exterior envelope consultant. Five members of the board were in favor of not hiring the consultant group. Motion passed.

Briefly discussed was having town hall meetings to educate the community regarding the replacement hospital. Once hard numbers are in for the construction, a date and time will be set to hold the meetings.

6. **New Business**

**C. Board Education**

Ms. Park said an email had been sent previously regarding board education. The State Office of Rural Health (SORH), in collaboration with Texas Healthcare Trustees (THT) will present a free virtual board education program on October 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Board members interested should go online and register if they want to participate.

Board meetings times for 9/29/20 & 10/27/20 will be change from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., and Finance Committee meeting will start at 5:45 on both dates.

7. **CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mr. Brunner announced the Board would go into closed, Executive Session at 2058 to review the following:

A. Deliberations Concerning Real Property

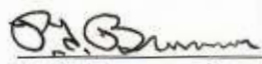
**End of Executive Session**

Went out of Executive Session at 2136.

8. **Action regarding Executive Session: None**

9. **Adjournment**

Ms. Weeks moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Genella. Meeting adjourned at 2137.

  
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P. T. Brunner, President  
Recorder: Cindy Burge