

**CASTRO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
September 17, 2024**

PLACE: Ettie McDermitt Education Room at Plains Memorial Hospital

BOARD PRESENT: Jim Bradford, Chairman; Zach Smith, Vice-Chairman; Shelley Bills, Secretary; Kim Birkenfeld, Member; Martha Ibarra, Member

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Elisha Rosier, CEO; Laura Case, CFO; Mitchell Brockman, QEC Director; Olivia Herrera, Administrative Assistant

MEDICAL STAFF PRESENT: None present.

GUESTS PRESENT: Cole Pierce, Castro County Tax Appraiser

PUBLIC PRESENT: None.

1. Called to order at 12:16PM. Prayer led by Mitchell Brockman. Mission and Vision Statement was read by Shelley Bills.

2. Public Comments: None

3. Presentation on Tax Rate:

Cole Pierce, Tax Appraiser for Castro County explained to the board the difference between effective and rollback tax rate.

4. Set 2024 Tax Rate:

The board elected to adopt the effective tax rate of \$0.3201.

Shelley made the motion to adopt the effective tax rate of \$0.3201. Kim seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Review of Financials & Statistics:

Laura reported that the ERC funds should arrive in 4 weeks.

The Total Net Revenue for the hospital and CVL for July 2024 was \$793,668 and July 2023 \$1,341,721. Our decrease in the amount of (\$548,054) was due to a decrease in patient revenue in the amount of (\$216K), a large contractual adjustment made for indigent and charity, and the transfer of 340B funds not being made until August 2024 which accounted for almost \$100K of the loss. There was a slight increase in operating expenses which gives us a loss of (\$567,923) for July 2024 and (\$915K) YTD.

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STATS were provided through August 30, 2024.

Total Patient Days are down, including ER visits, Lab tests performed and a radiology exams performed. Laura is anticipating a receivable from the cost report this year due to extremely low patient days and an increase in indigent care. This FY 20.18% of our total days were indigent/charity. PY only 3.88% of our total days were indigent/charity.

4. Review and Approval of 2024-2025 Budget:
The board approved 3% raise for employees.

Shelley made the motion to approve the budget as presented by Laura with the 3% raise. Martha seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Consent Agenda:
- a. Approval of August 20, 2024 Board Minutes
 - b. Quarterly Review of Pledged Securities
 - c. Departmental P & P Approvals
 - d. Annual Policy & Procedure Approvals
 - e. Workplace Violence Prevention Policy

Zach made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Employee Health, Accounts Payable, Business Office, Materials, Finance, IT and HR were the P & P's approved. Kim seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

6. General Information:
- a. Departmental Monthly Reports
 - b. Thank You Notes
 - c. Other Reading

It was noted that CVL has received a 5-star rating for the last 9 months. Jim encouraged the board members to review these items at their leisure.

7. Medical Staff:
- a. Review August 21, 2024 Med Staff Minutes
 - b. Approval of Family/Emergency Medicine & Pain Management DOP's
 - c. Request Appointment to ER Staff: Warren Roquet, MD; Zuri Goss, MD
 - d. Request Reappointment to ER Staff: Perry Reding, MD; Eric Gustafson, MD
 - e. Request Reappointment to Consulting Radiology: Robert Pinkston, MD; Branch Archer, MD; Jason Kimball, MD; Paul Hakim, MD

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- f. Request Reappointment to TeleMed Privileges: Mazin Saadaldin, MD
- g. Request Appointment to Pain Management Privileges: Jacob Jordan, CRNA, APRN; Joshua Dunlap, CRNA, APRN

Kim made the motion to approve the physician's appointments as listed. Zach seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

8. Administrator's Report:

Elisha reported to the board that Dr. Milo's Texas license is in final review. We are hoping to have him here in November.

Dimmitt Pharmacy's POC system and upgrade of the computers is complete. Affordable Concrete will be back in the next couple of weeks to finish up the concrete. Concrete will be stained and stamped. Painters will also be coming to paint the stripes on the concrete for parking.

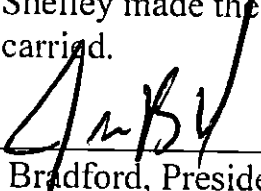
Pain Management will start today, September 17. They had 7 patients on the schedule that were referred from the clinic. The procedure room should be completed at the end of September. The room is ready for cabinets and flooring.

9. Executive Session: Entered into Executive Session at 1:17PM and exited at 1:29PM.

- a. Quality & Regulatory Compliance
- b. Personnel. Consider and Discuss Personnel Matters Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 511.074

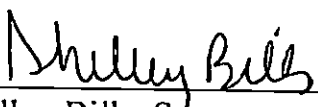
10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:30PM with no motions made.

Shelley made the motion to adjourn. Zach seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.



Jim Bradford, President

11/17/2024
Date



Shelley Bills, Secretary

11/17/24
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