

## Regular Meeting & County Budget Hearing Board of Trustees Minutes March 6, 2023 | 5:30-6:15 PM | Conf C

Meeting Purpose: Overall JCHC Update

Leader: Merlin Miller

Facilitator: Bryan Hunger

Recorder: Nanette Everly

The Regular Meeting and the County Budget Hearing of the JCHC Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 PM by Merlin Miller, Chair.

Connect to Purpose – Bryan read a few patient survey comments.

Mr. Miller asked for approval of the consent agenda and minutes from 2/6/23. Mrs. Greeson moved and Mrs. Rebling seconded the approval of the consent agenda & minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Miller opened the floor for public comment. There was no one in attendance.

Mr. Miller asked for the Medical Staff report. Dr. Gucilar reported on a re-instatement for Pascuala Reyes, DO, Courtesy-ER. Mrs. Parker moved and Mrs. Greeson seconded to approve the medical staff report. **Motion carried unanimously.** FYI Resignation – Alan Moy, MD, Courtesy.

Brent explained the January 2023 and FY23 statistics and financials. There was a net income of (\$74,429) for the month and (\$93,301) for FY23. Days cash on hand 82.79. There was a decrease in cash of \$1,412,703. Debt Service is at 1.18. Showed slide of net operating income and net income.

FY24 County Budget discussion. Budget period is from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. The estimated tax asking is \$1,367,689; compared to \$1,148,875 last year. If approved this would put the levy for FY24 at an increase to 1.38489; compared to 1.18799 for FY23. After discussion, including possible ambulance expenses, Mr. Hanshaw moved and Mr. Stever seconded to approve the publication of the County Budget with the understanding that if additional expenses are not needed to help ambulance service get up and running the amount would be lowered. **Motion carried unanimously.** We are committed to ensuring our county residents have an ambulance service. We will continue the ambulance tax levy through the first year then the county will take tax levies to sustain the service.

Mr. Miller asked for the CEO's report. Mr. Hunger explained:

- New FP physician has signed and will start 7/3/23.
- Another FP will also be starting in July.
- Also, still working on ortho coverage.
- Ambulance Service update – we are helping the county get up and running. Even though we have a transfer agreement with Care, they are not providing this service. We have signed an agreement with a transport company to help as needed and are using mutual aid when available,
- Tort reform did pass and was effective in February. It caps hospitals at \$2M and other healthcare providers at \$1M.
- We have received paperwork of a possible suit and are working with our insurance company.
- Cambridge Little Achievers board update.

Mr. Miller gave the Chair report – No report this month.

Mrs. Greeson moved and Mrs. Rebling seconded to adjourn the regular meeting and county budget hearing into strategic planning. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Joneane Parker  
Secretary/Treasurer

Meeting Participants:

Members present were Merlin Miller, Greg Hanshaw, Joneane Parker, Julie Greeson, Renee Rebling, and Joe Stever. Also present were Bryan Hunger; Brent Feickert; Jacque Bookin-Nosbisch; Curtis Smith; Daniel Uzun; Nanette Everly; and Max Gucilar, MD.

Excused: Bob Keller

**Next Meeting Date: Monday, April 3, 2023 | 6:30 PM | Conf Room C | Quality Comm 5 PM**