

Memorial Hospital Lafayette County 'MHLC'
 October 13, 2016
 MHLC Conference Room
 Minutes from Monthly MHLC Committee Meeting

Present: MHLC Chair Jack Sauer; MHLC County Supervisors Wayne Wilson; Larry Ludlum; Dr. Matt Solverson; Bev Anderson; Homer Evenstad; Jack Wiegel; Administrator Julie Chikowski; COO Kathy Kuepers; MHLC Finance Manager Molly Wiegel; Finance Director Nicola Maurer; Executive Secretary Jody Tuescher; RJ Reporter; Luis Lopez; Tony Ruesga.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Sauer called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

II. Posting

Mr. Sauer asked if the meeting had been properly posted. Ms. Tuescher reported that the meeting had been posted with notices at the Hospital, Health Department, Manor, Court House, County Website, and sent to the local media. Mr. Sauer declared the meeting to be legal.

III. Approval of Agenda - Discussion and possible action requested

Mr. Sauer presented the agenda and inquired if there were any changes. After a brief discussion the motion was made by Mr. Wilson to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Ludlum. Voice vote, motion passed.

IV. Minutes – Discussion and possible action requested

Mr. Wiegel made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2016 meeting, seconded by Ms. Anderson. Voice vote, motion passed.

V. Audit of the Bills – Discussion and possible action requested

Mr. Sauer asked if there was anything out of the ordinary and Ms. Wiegel pointed out two – the roof project for \$9,000 and also the mold testing for \$750.00. After a brief discussion the motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Wiegel to approve the invoices. Voice vote, motion passed.

VI. Personnel – Discussion and possible action requested

1. Staff Updates – Ms. Chikowski:

- We are not going to talk about Pharmacist Compensation under New Business – just want to report that we hired and are orienting our new Pharmacist, Kathryn Horst. Matt McGowan's last day will be October 19. It is a refill of a position and just wanted to report that this has occurred.
- We have offered someone the position of Nurse Practitioner who is from Lancaster and if all goes well will be starting in November. Brief discussion continued.

VII. Medical Staff Report – Discussion and possible action requested

1. Appointments:

Dr. Solverson reported that it was the recommendation of the Medical Staff to move Dr. Nanci Cherry, ER Physician onto this committee for approval granting her probationary privileges for 6 months or 3 visits. After a brief discussion the motion was made by Mr. Ludlum, seconded by Ms. Anderson to approve this request. Voice vote, motion passed.

2. Family Health/Hospital Communication: Dr. Solverson commented about a letter to the editor in the RJ this week questioning the county's decision to purchase the clinic. Ms. Chikowski said that the person who wrote the letter was emailed and invited to come to this committee for discussion, but they were not able to attend due to work obligations. Dr. Solverson said that he felt his staff is very capable and the decision would help strengthen the medical economy of the community. A Lengthy discussion continued. Mr. Sauer stated he looked forward to the county owning the clinic – MHLC is a county entity with a very competitive business. Mr. Ludlum commented that even though a high number of the Belmont community members may go to Platteville, he is hearing favorable remarks about this business decision.

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VIII. Management Report – Discussion and possible action requested

Old Business:

1. Nursery Buildout Update:

Ms. Chikowski reported that we are getting the new HVAC put in place and as soon as that is complete we can start the building process.

2. Strategic Planning - Ms. Chikowski:

- We got a report from Wipfli that is addressed in the budget as to the hardware that is necessary to get us in a position to implement Epic in an effective manner and we will be sharing that as part of the budget proposal. They have also made some recommendations about potentially separating off the IT of the hospital and will have the committees take a look to see if this makes sense. We continue to recruit, continue to work to get the sale completed by the end of the year, we are looking at physician and mid level contracts, and appraisal on business should be done by the end of October – this agreement has been signed.

3. Cost Report Update – Ms. Chikowski:

The state has accepted our request to reopen the two Cost Reports and as we reported before we have the potential of receiving an estimated additional \$81,000 on one of them and \$86,000 on another. Brief discussion and clarification continued. Ms. Maurer stated that now that we have Wipfli doing our cost report we don't anticipate that we will have to go back – which is better because we would rather get reimbursed for the year that's just ended and then we have better and more accurate results for that particular year.

New Business:

1. IT Request(s):

Ms. Chikowski stated that we may have an IT request after Closed Session.

2. Physician Compensation:

Not ready for discussion.

3. Pharmacist Compensation:

Reported in Staff Updates.

4. Budget:

IX. The motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Anderson to go into Closed Session at Request of the Hospital Committee Pursuant to WI. Statute Section 19.85(1)(e) for discussion regarding VIII. New Business 4. above - the investing of public funds and other specified public business as required for competitive and bargaining reasons so as to remain competitive in the marketplace. Roll call vote: Mr. Sauer – Yes; Mr. Wilson – Yes; Mr. Ludlum – Yes; Dr. Solverson – Yes; Ms. Anderson – Yes; Mr. Evenstad – Yes; Mr. Wiegel – Yes.

X. Motion by Mr. Wiegel, seconded by Mr. Wiegel to Reconvene to Open Session. Voice vote motion passed.

XI. Discussion and Possible Action, if necessary or appropriate, on matter discussed in closed session.

Motion #1:

Motion by Jack Wiegel, seconded by Bev Anderson to move the budget onto Finance Committee. Voice vote motion passed.

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Motion #2:

Motion by Wayne Wilson, seconded by Jack Wiegel to have a resolution to create an IT Director/Security Officer for the hospital that reports directly to the hospital administrator. Voice vote motion passed.

XII. Set Next Meeting Date – After a general discussion Mr. Sauer set the next meeting date:

**Next Hospital Committee Meeting
November 3, 2016 8:00 a.m.
MHLC Downstairs Conference Room**

XIII. Adjournment – Mr. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wiegel to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote, meeting was adjourned.