



**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTHERN NYE COUNTY
HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEE**

August 4, 2022

Attending Speakers

Chairman Don Kaminski

Vice Chair Tim Gamble

Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Maslach -Absent

Trustee Patty Browning

Trustee Sam Faga -Absent

Joseph “Kirk” Greber – Public Member

Michael Bezruki – Lobbyit

Kevin Romero - REMSA

Dr. Russel Pillers – Biowerx

Bruce Jabbour – Nye BOCC

Brett Mitchel – SixCo Nevada

Patrick Reid – Public Member

Tabitha Reid – Public Member

Brittani Reid – Public Member

Horace Carslyle – Public Member

Govind Koka – Frontier Medical Group

Devon Eisma – Optimum Medicine

Misha Allen - UNR Extension

1. Pledge of Allegiance

-Pledge recited

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item (first).

Mr. Greber spoke about Item 15. He thanked the board for their outreach and service to the community. Mr. Greber had a question for Vice Chair Gamble about his relationship with Optimum Medicine and his residency status. Mr. Greber also stated that he has a good working relationship with Queenie Manuel from Frontier Medical group and feels she has good connections in the community and is a great resource.

3. Approval of the Agenda for August 4, 2022. (Non-action Item)

Approved

4. Announcements (first)

Mr. Gamble Clarified that he is a current Nye County Resident but has currently taken an emergency deployment for COVID

Admin announced on behalf of Star Yoga – Amy Meiers that community yoga classes have started and flyers are available.

5. For Possible Action – Emergency Items

No Emergency Items

6. Trustees’/Liaison Comments (This item limited topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

Mr. Kaminski reminded the board that they have work to do in regards to the CNRC Invoices. Dr. Valeria Romero has requested permission to utilize the sleeping quarters located inside the clinic/dental building.

7. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation of the minutes from the [June 2, 2022](#) and [June 16, 2022](#) Regular Meeting.

Trustee Browning motions to accept minutes as presented.

Vice Chair Gamble seconds motion

Motion passes; 3-0

8. No Action – Presentation by LobbyIt of Washington D.C. of all recent activities performed on behalf of the District in accordance with the Contract for Federal Government Affairs Services as approved by the District on September 17, 2020.

Mr. Bezruki provide the Lobbyit update concerning all recent activities including updates involving the Defense infrastructure pilot program grant, the \$20 million award, work with Nevada Delegation for letters of support, Horseford opportunity and outreach, and a Congress update.

9. [No Action](#) – Presentation and discussion by Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority of their May 2022 reconciliation package and reports pursuant to the professional services agreement entered into on December 20, 2017.

Mr. Romero provided the REMSA update concerning all recent activities including, invoices, Paramedic response, hospital transports, local transports, community paramedic visits, Nurse health line and quality /satisfaction.

10. [No Action](#) - Presentation and monthly report for Biowerx by Dr. Russell Pillers pursuant to the professional services agreement entered into on October 25th, 2018.

Dr Pillers provided the Biowerx update concerning all recent activities including Wipfli, Environmental guidance, SixCo Nevada, EAPC, Care Model Consultant, Progressive Design Build Process, Dental, Air Force housing, Horseford opportunity, DCIP Application, grant and project accounting, Video meeting tools, and the quarterly snapshot.

11. [For Possible Action](#) – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept, or deny the SixCo Nevada and Biowerx Consulting recommendation to hire a ‘Care Model Advisor’ to guide the operational details of the new hospital construction.

Dr. Pillers reminded the board of the purpose and need for this position to be filled.

Trustees and consultants reviewed the candidates and Trustee Browning made a motion to begin the contract negotiations with Dylan Crosby to act as our care model advisor and to bring forth a contract for review.

Vice Chair Gamble second motion

Motion passes ; 3-0

12. **For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept, or deny the Pre-Construction Schedule and associated expenditures proposed by SixCo Nevada, Biowerx and EACP.

Dr. Pillers explained the purpose for this schedule and the related team goals.

The board discussed clarity issues with the layout of the draft schedule.

Trustees and Consultants agreed that the schedule needed layout adjustments. Schedule is not currently ready for approval.

No motion was made.

13. **For Possible Action** -- Discussion and deliberation to review and accept or deny "Child Abuse Prevention" campaign ad (10 Features; 2-3x each day) for a reduced one-time fee of \$1,000.

Trustee Browning motioned that the board participate in the KIBS Say no to child abuse promotion, and that they do the \$1,000 package.

Vice Chair Gamble second motion

Motion passes ; 3-0

14. **For Possible Action** - Discussion and decision for Hospital District sponsorship and authorization for the "Reid family" to use the Not-in-use Hospital Campus for Halloween Festivities.

Mr. Reid presented the need for the usage of the district property and answered all questions from the board trustees.

Trustee Browning made a motion that the Board once again, allow the Reid family to use the old hospital building as part of their Graveyard Stomp festivities, and to allow them to use that as a haunted house, and that the board help sponsor.

Vice Chair Gamble second

Motion passes; 3-0

15. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept, or deny a proposal from Frontier Medical Group or Optimum Medicine to begin operating the clinic located at 825 S. Main St. in Tonopah Nevada, and designate a board member to begin contract development.

Vice Chair Gamble explained that the back up materials provided include the chain of emails between those involved in this process as well as the provided presentations from each company.

Dr. Koka from Frontier Medical Group and Mr. Eisma from Optimum Medicine answered all questions directed at them from the board and the public including;

Insurance acceptance comparison
Staff Housing plans
Cost/reimbursement
Types of medical providers staffing the building
Hours of operation/ Open timeline
Etc.

Trustee Browning motions to begin contract negotiations with Frontier Medical Group.

Chairman Kaminski seconds motion

Motion passes; 2-1

This item was revisited during the 08/18/2022 Hospital Board Meeting

16. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept, or deny the request to GSA for abrogation related to deeds for the properties located at 2, 3, 5, 6 & 7 Victoria Street.

Dr. Pillers explained that the GSA is likely willing to work with the board and no appraisal is necessary.

Trustees discussed the necessity of this letter.

Trustee Browning motions that the board go forward with sending out the abrogation letter.

Vice Chair Gamble second motion

Motion passes ; 3-0

Mr. Carlyle told the board that he does not understand the board and discussed financial hesitancy in the trustees.

17. **No Action** - Discussion and deliberation regarding the budget status for Northern Nye County Hospital District through March 2022.

No data to review.

18. **For Possible Action** – Approval of invoices for payment.

Chairman Gamble motions to pay invoices as presented.

Trustee Browning seconds motion

Motion passes; 3-0

19. **No Action** – Open Meeting Law review.

20. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (second)**

21. **ANNOUNCEMENTS (second)**

Trustee Browning announced that she will get with Admin to send invites to the EMS Brainstorming session.

22. **ADJOURN**

08/04/2022 Meeting adjourned

Signed this 1st day of September 2022.


Chair

