LLANO COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: May 4, 2020 TIME: 3:00PM

PLACE: DUE TO COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITY WILL BE MEETING OVER ZOOM.COM. TO PARTICIPATE, DIAL 1-346-248-7799. Meeting ID: 881 4223 3346, Password: 307475

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Establish a Quorum
- 3. Adopt the Agenda
- 4. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting on April 28, 2020.
- 5. Recognition of Visitors for Public Comment
- 6. Reports
 A. President
- 7. Old Business
- 8. New Business

Kevin Reed, legal counsel to the LCHA will provide a brief review of the following:

- The rural Texas hospital marketplace
- Future Hospital Funding Options
- EMS/Trauma Services
- Future service delivery options
- Possible strategic partners
- The suspension of hospital operations/license/regulatory issues

The board will move to executive session to consider legal advice.

- 9. THE BOARD MAY AT ITS DISCRETION ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DELIBERATE ANY MATTER AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 551.001 et seq [THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT] INCLUDING:
 - SEC. 551.071: Consultation with an attorney regarding pending litigation.
 - SEC. 551.072: Deliberations regarding real property.
 - SEC. 551.074: Personnel matters; to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
- 10. Discussion and/or Action on Information Received in Agenda Item 9.
- 11. Set Date and Time for Next Meeting.
- 12. Recommended Agenda Items for the Next Meeting
- 13. Adjournment.

Persons wishing to address the Board should complete a Public Participation Form found at:

https://www.co.llano.tx.us/page/llano.Hospital

Persons may sign up to address the Board at any time before the presiding officer calls the public comment period agenda item, at which time the Board will collect the official Public Participation Forms. Individuals may not address the Board or add their name or additional topics to the official Public Participation Form after the Board has collected it.

Email the completed Form to: llanocountyhospitalauthority@gmail.com

A COPY OF THIS NOTICE AND AGENDA WAS POSTED AT THE LLANO COUNTY COURTHOUSE ON THE DATE NOTED BELOW.

DATE POSTED:

FOR THOSE DIALING IN TO THE MEETING, WE SUGGEST THAT YOUR DO SO 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE START TIME. THIS WILL GIVE THE FACILITATOR TIME TO ACCOUNT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.

LLANO COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING APRIL 21, 2020

The following members attended the meeting:

President: Bob Wallace

Vice President: Pat McDowell Secretary: Charles Miller Treasurer: David Willmann

Bob Shafer Jay Ward

- 1. President Bob Wallace called the meeting to order at 3:05PM.
- 2. A quorum was established with six members in attendance.
- 3. Upon a motion by Bob Shafer and a second from Charles Miller, the agenda was unanimously adopted.
- 4. The Minutes of the April 7, 2020 meeting were approved unanimously upon a motion by David Willmann and a second by Bob Shafer.
- 5. Recognition of Visitors for Public Comment: There were no visitors signed in for comments.
- 6. Reports were received from:
 - A. President Bob Wallace

A committee of this Authority made up of Pat McDowell, Charles Miller and David Willmann solicited a number for legal and CPA firms specializing in rural health care to provide resumes and letter of interest in working with this Authority to find ways to continue with the hospital.

This past week, the committee interviewed the top two choices.

In today's executive session they will present their recommendations. We hope to be able to select one in the very near future and seek their guidance on all reasonable options to:

- 1. Continue operations after January 2021 of our hospital and ER, or
- 2. Establish an alternative means of providing health care services.

Presently, Llano County spends \$300,000 per year on ambulance service with BSW that can continue with or without the Hospital being open. That cost will likely increase next year.

B. Committee members reported that one firm has not responded, one firm was eliminated and two were interviewed by telephone: Jackson-Carter and Reed+Claymon. Further discussion will be held in executive session.

7. Old Business

A. Gilbert Bennett, Emergency Management Coordinator for Llano County provided brief comments regarding the current EMS service. It is his assessment that the county is adequately covered and BSW is doing a good job. He favors the Advanced Care option that is

now in place, as this allows paramedics to perform initial medical care upon arrival and in route to a hospital.

8. New Business

- A. An invoice, dated 3/13/20 for \$1,426.00 from Reed+Claymon was unanimously approved for payment upon a motion by Charles Miller, with a second by Pat McDowell.
- B. Discussion of EMS/Ambulance service for 2021 was deferred until legal consultants are retained to better explore our options.
- 9. At 3:23PM, Bob Wallace announced that an Executive Session of the board would commence as authorized by the Texas Government Code SEC. 551.001 et seq[Texas Open Meetings Act]
- 10. At 4:07PM the regular public meeting was resumed. There were no actions to take regarding discussions in the Executive Session.
- 11. A tentative date of April 28, 2020 was proposed, pending board efforts to gather additional information for the board.
- 12. Possible Agenda items for the next meeting include:
 - Recommendation of legal counsel to evaluate future facility options.

13. A motion to adjourn was unanimously approved on a motion by Charles Miller, seconded by David Willmann at 4:09PM.

Bob Wallace, President

Charles Miller, Secretary