

**AMARILLO HOSPITAL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGERS
AMARILLO CITY HALL
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
MINUTES
March 23, 2006
8:15 A.M.**

Members

Mr. John Turner, Chairman
Mr. Craig Bryan
Dr. Constantine Saadeh
Mr. Sam Spradlin, Secretary
Mr. Alphonso Vaughn
Ms. Carol Lovelady
Mr. John Ben Blanchard

Present

Yes
No
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

Also Present

Debra McCartt	Mayor, City of Amarillo
Mr. Marcus Norris	City Attorney, City of Amarillo
Mr. Dean Frigo	Finance Director, City of Amarillo
Ms. Kylie Green	Secretary, City of Amarillo
Ms. Vicki Covey	Community Services Director, City of Amarillo
Mr. Matt Richardson	Director of Public Health, City of Amarillo
Kyle Sanders	Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Mr. Ernie Boyd	Past Chairman, AHD Board of Managers
Cliff Bickerstaff	Amarillo National Bank
Jacque Branch	Amarillo National Bank
Matt Ramsey	Amarillo National Bank
Dennis Spear	Amarillo National Bank
David Clark	Amarillo Area Healthcare Specialists
Sonya Bennett	J O Wyatt Clinic
Frank Lopez	Northwest Texas Hospital

ITEM 1: Call to Order

Mr. Spradlin called the meeting to order at 8:27 a.m. at City Hall, 509 East 7th Street, Third Floor, Room 306, and welcomed those in attendance.

ITEM 2: Presentations

Mayor McCartt thanked the board members for their willingness to serve the citizens of Amarillo.

Mayor McCartt noted the accomplishments of the past Board. The District has been very conservative in preserving the Amarillo Hospital District Corpus. At September 30, 2005 it is almost \$222 million. In addition to the Indigent Care contract the District funds the Public Health Department and three community priorities: Pediatric Subspecialty Care, Tobacco Initiative and the Community Dental Clinic. The District participated in a partnership with other community organizations to create the Community Dental Clinic in 2001. The District has used a portion of its tobacco funds with the American Cancer Society in a campaign to reduce tobacco use. To our knowledge, the District's initiative to use tobacco funds to reduce tobacco use is the first and only time tobacco funds have been used for this purpose in Texas.

Mayor McCartt noted the service of the retiring AHD Board Members:

Ernie Boyd

Service Dates – January 4, 2000 to January 31, 2006

Nancy Seliger

Service Dates - September 25, 2001 to January 31, 2006

Dave Taylor

Service Dates - September 25, 2001 to January 31, 2006

Ernie Boyd was present to receive a plaque from the Mayor.

ITEM 3: Approval of Minutes from January 31, 2006

Mr. Spradlin presented the Minutes of the January 31, 2006 meeting. Motion for approval was made by Dr. Saadeh, seconded by John Turner, and unanimously carried.

ITEM 4: Election of Officers

Mr. Blanchard made the motion to elect John Turner, Chairman, Dr. Constantine Saadeh Vice Chairman, and Sam Spradlin, Secretary. Mr. Vaughn seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5: Consider Appointment of Investment Officer(s)

Mr. Spradlin made the motion to appoint Craig Bryan investment officer. Mr. Vaughn seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Turner noted that Dean Frigo was appointed investment officer after Dave Taylor was not reappointed to the Board. Both Craig Bryan and Dean Frigo will act as the District's investment officers.

ITEM 6: Consider Approval of Investment Officer Training by the University of North Texas

Mr. Frigo reviewed the investment officer training that was conducted by the University of North Texas with the Board. Mr. Frigo noted that investment officer training had to be from an independent source and be approved by the Board. Dr. Saadeh made the motion to approve investment officer training conducted by the University of North Texas. Mr. Blanchard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 7: Consider Designating Select City Staff of the City of Amarillo to Respond to Requests for Public Information

Mr. Norris reviewed the resolution to designate the City Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Director of Community Services, Director of Public Health and City Attorney, jointly and severally, as persons to respond on behalf of the Board, to request for public information. Mr. Spradlin made the motion to approve this resolution, Mr. Vaughn seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 8: Consider attorney request for seminar & travel costs to attend Public Health Law seminar at Center for Disease Control, Atlanta, GA

Mr. Norris requested approval to attend a Public Health Law seminar at the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Blanchard made the motion to approve this travel request, Mr. Spardlin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 9: Consider release, waiver, quitclaim, or similar action regarding the District's reverter interest, to facilitate UHS conveyance of property at 618 Fillmore St

Frank Lopez Chief Executive Officer of Northwest Texas Hospital requested that the District release its reversionary interest in property located at 618 Fillmore Street. Mr. Lopez explained that the property was once used to house the ambulance service. However, the ambulance service has been relocated to the NWTX campus and the property at 618 Fillmore was no longer in use for the ambulance service. The property had fallen into disrepair and NWTX would like to sell the property. Mr. Norris had explained that the District had released other property in the past. Mr. Blanchard made the motion to release the District's reverter interest in the property at 618 Fillmore Street, Mr. Spradlin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 10: Open Meeting Training

Mr. Norris conducted the open meeting training with the Board. The Board watched the Attorney General video covering open meeting requirements. Also present for the training were Matt Ramsey, Dennis Spear, Jacque Branch, Sonja Bennett, David Clark, Kyle Sanders, Dean Frigo, Kylie Green, Vicki Covey and Mat Richardson.

ITEM 11: Discussion of Conflict of Interests and Required Disclosures

Mr. Norris reviewed conflict of interest and required disclosure information with the Board. Mr. Norris informed the Board members that they could call if they had questions on the conflict of interest laws.

ITEM 12: Consider Approval of the Potter County Sheriff Sale Property

Mr. Frigo explained to the Board, that when property taxes become delinquent, Potter County as tax collector first attempts to sell the property on the steps of the courthouse for the taxes due, this procedure is referred to as the Sheriff Sale. If the property does not sell at the Sheriff Sale, the collector then attempts to sell the property by sealed bid. Since the property was selling for less than the taxes due, each governing body has to agree to the sales price. The goal of the process is to generate some funds from the sale of the property and transfer the property to a new owner who will pay the taxes. By approving this document, the District has given Potter County authority to sell the property and distribute the proceeds to the taxing entities. Ms. Lovelady made the motion to approve the Potter County Sheriff Sale Property, Mr. Spradlin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 13: Board Orientation

Mr. Frigo conducted the Board Orientation. Subjects covered in the orientation included the creation of the District in 1957 by the legislature; the District's obligation to provide healthcare to the indigent and needy of the City of Amarillo and all of Potter County; meeting dates and standing committees; outsourcing of services including indigent care, pediatric services, public health, the Poison Center, the Community Dental Clinic, Tobacco Free Amarillo, money management, pension administration and general administration; the Indigent Care Contract; the provision of indigent care and the District's pension plan.

Matt Richardson with the Health Department discussed the Health Department's function with the Board. Kyle Sanders, Chief Operating Officer, at Northwest Texas Hospital also discussed the Indigent Care Contract, the level of indigent care and the provision of indigent care by Northwest Texas Hospital.

ITEM 14: Public Comments.

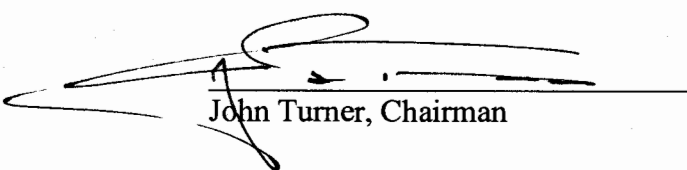
There were no public comments.


ITEM 15: Consideration of Agenda Items for next Board meeting.

There were no items at this time. Board members were advised to communicate agenda items to Mr. Frigo.

ITEM 16: Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 am. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file in the City Finance Department.


John Turner, Chairman



Sam Spradlin, Secretary