

**Hamilton County Hospital District  
Special Called Board Meeting Minutes  
November 3, 2023**

**Presiding: Neil Muxworthy**

**Board members in attendance: Neil Muxworthy, Doug Forrest, Robert Witzsche, Karen Craig**

**Board members absent: Mike Collett**

**Others Present: Grady Hooper, Chief Executive Officer; Melissa DeLaGarza, Chief Operating Officer; Debbie Martin, Chief Nursing Officer; Tracey Karasek, Chief Administrative Officer; Bobbie Nichols, QIPP Director; Jordyn Powers, Recording Board Secretary; Stacie Brooks, Administrative Assistant; Maria Weaver, Hamilton-Herald News**

**Date and time: Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 10:00a.m., Hamilton General Hospital Board Room, 400 N Brown St, Hamilton, Texas 76531**

**Citizen comments (limit of 3 minutes per person):** There were none.

**Consider and act on purchase of real property in Hamilton County:** Hooper mentioned the hospital is wanting to purchase the craftsman home at 122 North Brown Street due to the need of additional space. The property is appraised at \$171K, owners are asking \$185K. All electrical work will need to be reviewed. The Business Office needs more space for employees. Witzsche moved, Craig seconded approval to negotiate purchase of real property in Hamilton County. Motion carried.

**Consider and act on the Employee Holiday Gift and Bonus program:** The Board decided to review this item in Closed Session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

**Consider and act on resolution for Chapter 6 of the Property Tax Code allowing each tax unit to cast votes for the Board of Directors of the Appraisal District in proportion to their tax levy:** Hooper stated because we are a taxing entity that we are allotted votes for the two open Board positions. The two nominees are Gary Haggard and Vernon McCann. Forrest moved, Craig seconded approval on casting votes for the Board of Directors of the Appraisal District in proportion to our tax levy. Motion carried.

**Consider and act on adding Ensign facilities for QIPP:** Nichols stated we are bringing two homes on to the QIPP program. Cedar Pointe has 27,000 Medicaid days. Millbrook has 19,000 Medicaid days. March is the deadline to enroll in QIPP 8 which starts in September of 2024. Witzsche moved, Forrest seconded approval on adding Ensign facilities for QIPP. Motion carried.

**Closed Session:** Craig moved, Witzsche seconded at 2:43pm to go into Closed Session. Motion carried.

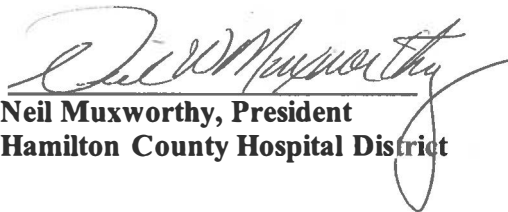
**The Board will meet in closed session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the evaluation of the CEO**

**Open Session:** Witzsche moved, Forrest seconded at 3:06pm to go into Open Session. Motion carried.

**If necessary, take action related to the evaluation of the CEO and Employee Holiday Gift and Bonus program:** Forrest moved, Craig seconded approval on accepting the evaluation and salary of the CEO, and approval on accepting the Bonus program and doubling the Employee Holiday gift from last year. Motion carried.

**Administrator Report:** Hooper stated the new parking lot lights will be going up soon. Coalson Excavation is making sidewalk and hospital entry repairs with drain boxes due to rain wash off, and new parking area for Specialty Services.

**Adjourn:** Witzsche moved, Forrest seconded at 3:20pm that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.



**Neil Muxworthy, President  
Hamilton County Hospital District**