



~Approved 4/3/2018~

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**  
**9:00 a.m. – Board Room**

**Board Members Present:** Anne Collins, City of Bigfork; Greg Cook, Koochiching County Unorganized; JoAnn Krickhahn, City of Effie; Marie Lovdahl, Itasca County Unorganized; Dr. George Rounds, Stokes Township; Larry Salmela, Carpenter Township; Heidi Watson, Koochiching County At-Large

**Via Telephone:** None

**Board Members Absent:** Linnette Davidson, Wirt Township; Chris Horton, City of Big Falls; Matt Huju, Marcell Township; Kenny Porter, Bigfork Township; Karen Springer, Itasca County At-Large

**Others:** Dr. Ed Anderson, Julie Gerzin, Angela Kleffman, John Licke, Christine Lokken, Lynette Lovdahl, Nancy Probst, Aaron Saude, Renee Tower

*Chairman Dr. George Rounds called the regular monthly board meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.*

*The meeting opened with prayer.*

**I. Community Comments**

None.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

It was requested that item “D”, Stryker Power Tool Upgrade, be moved to item “A” on the agenda.

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A **motion** to approve the agenda as amended was made by Greg Cook, seconded by Heidi Watson. All in favor, motion carried.

**III. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes 2/6/2018**

A **motion** to approve the February 6, 2018, regular board meeting minutes as presented was made by Joann Krickhahn, seconded by Greg Cook. All in favor, motion carried.

**IV. Information, Discussion and/or Action**

**A. Finance Committee Report**

Dr. George Rounds provided a summary of the finance committee meeting that was held on Tuesday, February 27.

**B. Financials**

Christine Lokken presented the preliminary January 2018 financial dashboard report.

A **motion** to accept the financial report for the month of January was provided by Larry Salmela, seconded by Marie Lovdahl. All in favor, motion carried.

**C. Accounts Payable**

A **motion** to ratify the accounts payable for the month of January was made by JoAnn Krickhahn, seconded by Marie Lovdahl. All in favor, motion carried.

**D. Stryker Power Tool Upgrade**

Lynette Lovdahl reviewed a quote and requested approval to purchase end of life Stryker power tool equipment in the amount of \$77,235.53.

After review, a **motion** to sign the Intent to Purchase was made by Heidi Watson, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn. All in favor, motion carried.

**E. Quality Improvement LTC (QAPI Plan)**

Julie Gerzin provided an overview of the quality assurance and performance improvement (QAPI) program for LTC. The QAPI policy for senior services will be presented for approval at the April board meeting.

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**F. CEO Report**

Aaron Saude reported that he attended the 2018 LeadingAge Institute with Julie Gerzin and Bonnie Tendrup. CliftonLarsonAllen auditors were on-site the week of February 12 for the annual financial audit. The grand opening for the clinic expansion was held on March 2.

Informational items provided:

- Wilderness Health Update – February 2018
- Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation Statement of Fund Activity for October 1 – December 31, 2017
- Edward Jones Trade Confirmation

Discussion was held concerning insurance companies denying coverage for the damaged geothermal lines.

**G. Employee Appreciation**

There were no employee appreciation nominations.

**H. Political Action Committee Report**

Dr. George Rounds provided a summary of the political action committee meeting that was held on Tuesday, February 27. The committee developed a charter. It was recommended that the committee be renamed.

**I. Board Meeting Survey Results**

Results from the board meeting evaluation survey that board members completed at the February regular board meeting were reviewed.

**J. Board Education**

Information concerning workforce challenges facing health care was provided.

Board members completed the monthly board meeting evaluation survey. Survey results will be tabulated and reviewed at the April regular board meeting.

*Anne Collins exited the meeting at 10:09 a.m.*

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At 10:10 a.m., a **motion** to adjourn the meeting was made by Larry Salmela, seconded by JoAnn Krickhahn. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Renee Tower,  
Executive Administrative Assistant

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