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Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 5, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Board Room & Microsoft Teams Conference Call

Board Members Present:

Greg Cook – Koochiching County Unorganized
Marie Lovdahl – Itasca County Unorganized
Meredith Morneau – Itasca County At-Large
Gordon Rahier – Pomroy Township
George Rounds – Stokes Township
Larry Salmela – Carpenter Township
Dan Sursely – City of Big Falls

Board Members Remote:

Clint Cook – Bigfork Township
Teresa Kittridge – Marcell Township
Dean Sedgwick – Wirt Township
Heidi Watson – Koochiching County At-Large

Board Members Absent:

Tom LaMont – City of Effie
Joanie Olson – City of Bigfork

Others: Sam Caron, Alex Cleath, Dan Heinecke, Dawn Kern, Aaron Saude, Sally Sedgwick, Renee Tower, Laura Vaneps

Chairman George Rounds called the regular monthly board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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I. Community Comments

There were no comments.

II. Approval of Agenda

A **motion** to approve the agenda as presented was made by Greg Cook, seconded by Dan Sursely. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes 6/7/2022

A **motion** to approve the June 7, 2022, Regular Board meeting minutes, as presented, was made by Greg Cook, seconded by Dan Sursely. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Acceptance of Medical Staff Meeting Minutes 4/6/2022

A **motion** to accept the April 6, 2022, Medical Staff meeting minutes as presented was made by Larry Salmela, seconded by Marie Lovdahl. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Information, Discussion and/or Action

A. Itasca Economic Development Corporation (IEDC)

Tamara Lowney, president of IEDC, provided a summary of IEDC's activities in Itasca County and in Bigfork.

After discussion, a **motion** to donate \$1,000 to IEDC for 2022 was made by Teresa Kittridge, seconded by Heidi Watson. The motion passed with one opposed.

B. Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, June 28.

Dan Heinecke presented the May 2022 financial dashboard report.

C. Financials

A **motion** to accept the financial report for the month of May was provided by the Finance Committee, seconded by Dan Sursely. The motion passed unanimously.

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D. Accounts Payable

A **motion** to ratify the accounts payable for the month of May was made by the Finance Committee, seconded by Marie Lovdahl. The motion passed unanimously.

Larry Salmela reported that the Finance Committee discussed if it is necessary to present accounts payable to the full board for approval or if the task should be delegated to the Finance Committee. Darla Anderson will contact CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) for advice on procedures to improve fraud prevention. Darla will report back to the board on CLA's recommendations.

E. Credentialing

Aaron Saude presented the following credentialing applications for consideration:

Privileges with a 6-month provisional status:

- Beth Ann Cureton, MD (vRad)
- Kevin Marble, MD (Locum)

Privileges without provisional status:

- Joseph D. Horner, DO (vRad)
- Faraz Nasim Kazmi, MD (Essentia Cardiology)
- Paula Renee Lundell, CRNA

A **motion** to approve the credentialing applications as presented was made by Greg Cook, seconded by Marie Lovdahl. The motion passed unanimously.

F. CEO Report

Aaron Saude reminded Board members about the upcoming MHA Summer Trustee Conference scheduled for July 14-15. Aaron and Dan Heinecke attended the SISU Leadership Summit in Duluth on June 9. Aaron met with leaders from the National Bank of Commerce about opportunities to work together. Aaron spent a lot of time this month meeting with three different benefit brokers, evaluating the plan offered to employees. The starting date for Senior Life Solutions has been delayed due to not being able to recruit a therapist. The HANA table and UV robot have arrived. There is new main entrance and ER

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signage. The Villa will get new roof shingles next week, and the old siding will be re-stained. Dr. Susan Romanik is eager to begin the Villa Garden project. A couple of staff participated in the Big Falls parade yesterday to represent Bigfork Valley.

G. Property

Aaron Saude reported that a full price offer in the amount of \$129,000 was received for the Farm property located at 400 Division Avenue, Bigfork, MN 56628.

It was brought to the board's attention that the property was never listed publicly. After discussion, consensus was to publicly list the property to ensure transparency.

H. Board of Directors Filing Period

Dates for filing are August 2 – August 16, 2022. Interested individuals are to file affidavits of candidacy with city or town clerk of residence, or county auditor's office in the case of unorganized positions by 5:00 p.m. on August 16, 2022. The following positions are up for election:

- Carpenter Township
- City of Big Falls
- City of Bigfork
- Itasca County At-Large
- Koochiching County At-Large
- Marcell Township
- Pomroy Township

I. Education

An article from the Minnesota Department of Health "Minnesota's Health Care Workforce: Pandemic-Provoked Workforce Exits, Burnout, and Shortages" was provided for education.

It was requested that Scenic Rivers Health Services be invited to attend board meeting to provide updates.

J. Employee Appreciation

Jenni Rissanen, Teri Lund, Lynette Lovdahl, Angie Smith, Kyle Buckingham, and Alicia MacRostie were nominated to receive employee appreciation gift certificates for outstanding job

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performance. A **motion** to approve the nominations was made by Dan Sursely, seconded by Greg Cook. The motion passed unanimously.

K. Monitoring CEO Performance

- Financial Condition and Activities (Internal)

The monitoring report was included in the board packet.

At 10:52 a.m., a **motion** to adjourn the meeting was made by Dan Sursely, seconded by Greg Cook. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Renee Tower, Executive Administrative Assistant.

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