

Kimble County Hospital District
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Bill Simon, Bobby Chenault, Barbara Conklin, Lewis Allen, Paul Bierschwale and Nicholas Lumbley. Marshall Heap was unable to attend. Preferred Hospital Leasing Junction: Duke Young PHLJ Hospital Administrator. Attending by video conference from Preferred home office were Andy Freeman president and CEO and Jared Chanski executive vice president.

Visitors: Junction Eagle reporter: Sarah Harrison and husband Larry.

1. Call to order and establish quorum.

A quorum was established with 6 members present, Mr. Heap was absent. The meeting was called to order by Board President Simon at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Kimble Hospital.

2. Public comment (limited to 5 minutes/participant or 15 minutes/organization).

No public comments were made.

3. Approval of prior meeting minutes: June 22, 2020.

After Board review, *Mr. Bierschwale made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Mr. Lumbley seconded the motion, and the motion passed 6-0.*

4. Discuss and consider update by Preferred on operation of KCHD's medical facilities and administration.

Mr. Young introduced Andy Freeman and Jared Chanski, they welcomed the new members to the board then spoke of the current situation with the Covid before turning the meeting back over to Mr. Young to give his update. Mr. Young gave his report on the activities at the Hospital and Clinic to date. Clinic visits were up.

1. Hospital/ Clinic Reports.

a. Key Statistics

i.	Inpatient days	up	100%
ii.	Outpatient Services		
	1. Radiology	down	8%
	2. Physical Therapy	up	60%
	3. Laboratory	stayed same	
iii.	ER Visits were	down	18%
iv.	Clinic Visits	up	36%
v.	Patient Transfers	down	44%

2. Covid 19 UPDATE

Mr. Young informed the Board as to the Covid-19 related activities at Kimble Hospital and Clinic, testing being done by National Guard, he explained how there was a 3 tiered system on when a lab performed the testing and the return time on the results found, he explained the numbers being reported in the county and how that worked. He explained the communications being had with him and county officials on the Covid. He told the board that with funds from the CARES ACT the hospital was looking into the purchase of lab testing equipment for determining the presence of the Covid virus. Board member Lumbley questioned Young on the numbers reported on the Covid versus Frontera numbers, Young did his best to explain that the difference was on reporting criteria. Young concluded his report.

No action was required and none was taken.

5. Discuss and consider KCHD Treasurer's reports (financial, budget, and bill payments).

Mrs. Conklin presented the current financials for July 2020 (including bills paid and an IGT payment that had been made). President Simon called for action on the presented financials.

Chenault made a motion to approve the financials as presented, the motion was seconded by Mr. Bierschwale, and the motion passed 6-0.

During the presentation of the financials, Treasurer Conklin informed the Board that a bond payment was due and funds needed to be transferred.

Mr. Allen made a motion to transfer the funds (519,190.64 \$) from the JNB CMS Reimbursement Savings Account to the JNB Bond Checking Account (stated by Conklin) for making this payment. Lumbley seconded the motion, Simon called for a vote---the motion carried 6-0 unanimously.

Conklin also spoke of materials she had included in the board packet. The information for the board to review was the Kimble Central Appraisal District 2021 proposed budget. No action was required on this.

Conklin then presented a document that needed a KCHD board member (normally the duty of treasurer) to sign so that authorization can be given Kimble Central Appraisal District Chief Appraiser and/or Assessor/Collector (who is a Registered Assessor/Collector) to calculate the no-new revenue tax rate (which was called the effective tax rate) and the voter approved tax rate(which was the rollback rate) for the unit. This according to Sec 26.04(c) of the Property Tax Code.

Allen made a motion to grant Conklin the authority (on the behalf of KCHD board) to sign the letter presented by the KCAD to calculate the described rates. Bierschwale seconded the motion, a vote was taken---the motion passed 6-0 unanimously.

6. Discuss updates to the signature cancellations and authorizations at the Junction National Bank.

President Simon reminded the board that those that had not yet signed the signature card at the Junction National Bank needed to do so.

7. Discuss and consider updating Bylaws.

KCHD Board President Simon explained that due to the latest contract that had been signed with Preferred, there were dates within the By-Laws that were needed to be made current---updated.

Chenault made a motion that Simon would work with Elvia (PHLJ Office Manager) to make the needed updates to the By-Laws. Bierschwale seconded the motion---the motion carried 6-0.

8. Discuss and consider HIPAA training video and other Bylaw training requirements

All KCHD board members (except Mr. Heap) attended a video presentation on HIPPA requirements. Papers were signed to the affirmative.

9. Discuss and consider date and agenda items for next meeting(s).

It was agreed that the next regularly scheduled meeting would be set for August 24th 6pm at the meeting room of the hospital.

10. Adjourn.

Simon called for meeting adjournment---Bierschwale made the motion, Conklin seconded, all agreed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Bobby Chenault, Board Secretary