# Garfield County Public Hospital District No. 1

# **Board of Commissioners**

Minutes of Special Meeting: Monday, December 14, 2018

Attending: Cindy Wolf, Chris Herres, Gary Houser, Jen Dixon, Steven Cannon

<u>Staff Attending:</u> Julie Leonard, Caroline Moore, Annette Davis, Jayd Keener, Allie Hyer, Jodi Peasley, Carolyn Taylor, Barbie Bowlin, and Sandi Peralta.

<u>Public Attending</u>: Stephen Matthew, Tammi Bragg, Fred Zack, Glen Houser, Cathy Houser. Don Black and Leigh Clove attended by phone.

Meeting Called to Order at: 1:00 p.m.

<u>Conflict of Interest Statement</u>: Jen Dixon stated she works at Clearwater Medical Clinic which is owned by Tristate.

#### **Old Business:**

### 1. Tristate Proposal Planning

Don Black, Attorney at Law, joined the meeting by speaker phone. Each of the Board members introduced themselves to Don Black. Steve Matthews introduced himself and asked Don to give an example of what an overview of the proposal might look like. Don gave an outline of the range of options of what the District could consider by providing model examples. He will focus on what the Board would like to include as a key point and based upon that dialogue, an initial draft proposal will be prepared for consideration.

#### · Lease with District Landlord Model

Lease the District to the new operator with a new tax ID number and a new Medicare number and the District would take on the role of a landlord. The District would not have input into operations. The financial responsibility could be a negotiated by the District for a set lease with the new operator.

#### Lease with Transfer of Operations Model

The new partner would take on the identity of the District by taking on the Medicare provider number, the critical access hospital (CAH) status by creating a new entity where the operations would be transferred over. The District would negotiate a lease with the new operator for the facility and equipment. The new operator takes on the financial responsibility and the liability of the Medicare provider number. The District would continue to exist with minimal input of ongoing operations and would take on the role of a landlord.

## Full Management Services Model

The District contracts with the new operator to provide all management services. The District would still exist and would maintain the tax ID number, the Medicare provider number and the CAH status, along with full financial responsibility. The District would cede control of all operations to the new operator. The cost of the management services would be an expense to the new operator.

# Limited Management Services Model

The new operator would become a limited vendor by contracting with the District to offer specific management services. The District would maintain Medicare number and the CAH status. The District would maintain bottom line financial responsibility and would control the operations of the facility.

The Board asked several pertinent questions and discussed the different models that were given. Don will send an outline of a strawman proposal to the Board. An initial draft of the proposal will begin once the key points of the elements or the structure has been decided upon by the Board.

New Business: None

Public Comment: Closed to public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Cindy Wolf, President

Gary Houser, Commissioner

Steven Cannon, Commissioner

Chris Herres Secretary

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