MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF SWEETWATER COUNTY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 5, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County met in special session on December 5, 2018, at 11:00 AM with Mr. Richard Mathey, President, presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mathey called the meeting to order and announced a quorum. The following Trustees were present: Mr. Marty Kelsey, Mr. Taylor Jones, Mr. Richard Mathey, Dr. Barbara Sowada, and Mr. Ed Tardoni.

Officially present: Mr. Jim Horan, Facilities Director; Mr. John Kolb, Sweetwater Board of County Commissioners; Ms. Tami Love, Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Irene Richardson, Chief Executive Officer; and Mr. Jake Blevins and Mr. Todd Spacek, ST&B Engineering.

WELCOME AND PURPOSE

Mr. Kelsey welcomed everyone. Mr. Horan introduced Mr. Blevins and Mr. Spacek. Mr. Kelsey said at the last Finance and Audit Committee meeting, the group talked about an agenda item that was going to be brought before the Board for consideration. The committee discussed the significant additional cost if we piecemealed the central plant work over two or three years instead of doing it at one time. Commissioner Kolb suggested moving the work forward. The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) met December 4 and reviewed the information provided. Mr. Kelsey said the Finance and Audit Committee thought it would be beneficial to review the information and better-understand from the experts in this area. Ms. Richardson said Mr. Kolb called her and she, Ms. Love, and Mr. Horan presented the central plant project to the BOCC and asked them to consider providing assistance. She said they are willing to provide \$1M if we match those funds. She said the BOCC did not vote on it but were willing to move forward at their next meeting with a budget amendment. Ms. Richardson said we are very appreciative and agreed we want to fully understand the project and the priorities. Mr. Tardoni said the question of whether we do it now or later is a question of risk, the potential or exposure to failure. He said he thinks the BOCC recognize that. He said the Hospital had looked at phasing because of the money involved.

CENTRAL PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT

Mr. Blevins and Mr. Spacek reviewed their history with MHSC and reviewed the details of the project plans. Mr. Spacek said the presentation they brought was essentially the one given to the Building and Grounds Committee recently. He said it seems a summary paper is what is needed by the BOCC. Following lengthy discussion, Mr. Spacek suggested they re-cost it. He said he thinks \$2M is still a good number. Mr. Jones asked for clarification on if we are building for more than we need today. He said we are not building for the future and we are putting in what we need now even though there is potential for the future. Mr. Kolb said it sounds like it is total redundancy

for liability. Mr. Blevins and Mr. Spacek said they will go back and review their numbers and provide the information to Mr. Horan by the deadline needed by the BOCC. Mr. Kelsey said we need a written, concise summary statement to present to the BOCC. Mr. Kolb said the Board must show taxpayers why this is a valid expense. Mr. Kelsey thanked Mr. Blevins and Mr. Spacek for attending. Mr. Kolb reviewed six penny cent funds and timing.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:23 PM.

Mr. Richard Mathey, President

Attest:

Mr. Ed Tardoni, Secretary