

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 07, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: ZOOM Meeting, <https://zoom.us/j/375320938>

Present: Tom Langland, President
Don Wolczko, Secretary
Eric Pryne, Position 2
LeeAnn Brown, Position 3
Wendy Noble, Position 4 (joined 19:06)
Eric Jensen, Superintendent
Jojo Weller, Administrative Director

1. Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approve/Amend October 07 Agenda

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve agenda and Commissioner Brown seconds the motion:

“I move to approve the agenda.”

AGENDA APPROVED 4-0

3. Approve/Correct September 16 ZOOM Regular Meeting Minutes

President Langland motions to approve minutes and Secretary Wolczko seconds the motion:

“I move to accept the minutes as presented.”

MINUTES APPROVED 4-0

4. Superintendent Report

- See Superintendent report attached

5. Old Business/Committee Reports

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

President Langland notes that he has contacted Mr. Bangasser and is waiting for him to call back.

TEHNOLOGY AND FACILITY:

Commissioner Brown continues to improve and advance the website.

Debriefing the Progress Report to The Community

Commissioner Brown reports that there were 99 attendees. She’s heard from about eight people that were not able to attend for the link of the recording. The recording is posted on the district’s website for viewing under Meeting Documents option Miscellaneous. Go to www.vashonhealthcare.org, click on Meeting Documents located at the top of the page and click on Miscellaneous option. She adds that it

was an honor to work with Debby Jackson, Marcie Rubardt, Wendy Aman, Karina Deutsch and Shelby Gale.

FINANCE:

Banking /Expenditures

Secretary Wolczko motions to approve payment to Neighborcare and Commissioner Pryne seconds the motion:

“I move to approve the third of four payments to Neighborcare in the amount of \$110,000.”

WARRANT APPROVED 5-0

Currently the district is at -\$388,797.04 which is up by \$519,770 at the lowest budget projection from the beginning of the year. Secretary Wolczko is in contact with Mike Smith, Chief Investment Officer at King County Treasury Operations, regarding a revised pro forma/budget for an additional \$500,000 and an extension on the payback from five to seven years. He and Superintendent Jensen have a meeting with Mr. Smith on 22 October.

King County Relief Funds

Commissioner Wolczko initiated a contact with King County regarding the possible availability of Corona relief funds for VHCD to mitigate the higher than expected subsidy for Neighborcare. Both he and Superintendent Jensen had contacted Ms. Stacey Lewis with Pacifica Law Group regarding the CARES Act fund which they learned that most of the monies were already allocated particularly in remote areas, more remote than Vashon. In addition, Commissioner Wolczko contacted Mr. Drew at another department in King County and the same was true with their subsidies.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS:

Levy Update

Commissioner Pryne walks through the calculations of the Preliminary Levy Limit Worksheet – 2021 Tax Roll, see attached. The district is waiting for one more data report before setting the levy limit which is a worksheet for all the other taxing districts included in the \$5.90 calculations from the King County Assessor's Office.

6. Public Comments (15 minutes collectively)

Jane Neubauer asks what Sea Mar will do with the structure of the clinic and to see a summary report of what's happening with the contract. She mentions that the more important issues are with referrals, prescription refills and call time. Superintendent Jensen replies that typically there's an onsite clinic manager, onsite medical director and a regional medical director. He says the initial term of the contract is for one year with an automatic renewal provision. The contract states what the subsidy will be, there's a process to review monthly financial and operational, an agreement for Sea Mar to meet on a quarterly basis with the district and contractual language regarding renewal and termination. He notes that the detail specifics of day to day operations will not be included in the contract. President Langland agrees that if Sea Mar can address the three important issues, that Ms. Neubauer has listed, in the first 100 days of their transition the community will be much happier.

Melissa McEachern comments that the clinic has been open 40 hours/week since July. The clinic has been understaffed for over two years and this is one reason why referrals and medications take so long. If Sea Mar brings the phones back, they would have to staff for it. She would like the district to consider these transitions in the first 100 days. She notes that her frustration is due to the circumstance that no one from the district reached out to the current staff at Neighborcare which could have helped along the way.

Superintendent Jensen replies that he was not familiar of the different types of input gathered before starting his employment with the district. When he started with the district, he was tasked to find organizations willing to have a conversation concerning the Request for Proposal. He adds that he does not know the detail of operations in what Sea Mar wants to do to setup their clinic. He encourages Sea Mar to communicate regarding the current level of staffing and where the gaps are. He can continue to communicate to their VP about these issues.

Commissioner Noble adds that she remembers Sea Mar saying their plan was to start with the current staff to assess the needs and supplement additional staff if they felt that was needed.

7. New Business
Q&A on website tabled.

COMMENTS:

Commissioner Noble would like the board to consider adding Special Meetings as there are a lot to talk about from now until the end of November. Superintendent Jensen concurs and adds that there will be an added meeting to approve the contract with Sea Mar.

President Langland thanks everyone for attending tonight's meeting. The next regular meeting is on 21 October at 19:00.

Commissioner Pryne motions adjournment and Secretary Wolczko seconds the motion:

"I move we adjourn."

ADJOURNMENT APPROVED 5-0

Adjourned at 20:37