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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: Sept. 21, 2022

Time: 18:00

Place: Vashon Presbyterian Church, 17708 Vashon Hwy SW, Vashon ZOOM Meeting,
<https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>

Present: Tom Langland, President, Position 1

Wendy Noble, Position 4

Alan Aman, Position 3

Don Wolczko, Position 5

Eric Pryne, Position 2

Eric Jensen, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 18:00 by Don Wolczko.

Approve/Amend Sept 21, 2022 Agenda

Commissioner Pryne moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Aman seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Approve/Correct Sept. 7, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Pryne moved to approve the Sept. 7 minutes. Commissioner Langland seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Commissioner Wolczko introduced the public comment session.

Lydia Aguilar, a member of the community, was first to speak. She shared her concerns about the possibility of two clinics on the island and questioned whether or not this would be the best approach. She described her background working with the local Latino population. The feedback she has been receiving is that they are not that happy with the services at the Vashon clinic. No one there really speaks Spanish and there is no diabetic education.

Superintendent Report

Land Purchase - Superintendent Jensen reported that in the attached Estimated Buyers Statement the amount due from the District is \$574,005.60, which includes a pro-rated portion of the 2nd half 2022 property taxes on the land. The prorated portion of the property taxes is based on total 2nd half taxes of \$4255.25, reduced by the prorated amount for the period July 1, 2022 through Sept. 21, 2022. After closing, the District can apply for a refund of the pro-rated taxes paid from 9/21/2022 through the end of the year. That amount should be \$4,255.25 - \$1,896.36 = \$2,359.14. He also reported that he has added the property location to the District's Enduris Insurance policy.

The commissioners then discussed the history of the community's efforts to purchase a site for the new clinic, which preceded Sea Mar coming to the island. John Jenkel and Tag Gornall were involved in this effort.

Administrative Assistant Position – Superintendent Jensen reported that he will be sending a formal offer to Patrick Hurley for the Admin Asst position.

Superintendent Action Items – The Superintendent discussed updates to his action items in the attached document. He requested feedback from commissioners on the document.

Superintendent Time Study – The Superintendent reported that weekly hours spent by him in the position during the past 5 weeks average 25.4 hours per week. His current exempt position is based on 20 hours per week.

Unfinished Business

Clinic Transition Project Plan and Risk Analysis – Superintendent Jensen presented updates to his plan based on the most recent developments regarding our efforts to engage Sea Mar. Discussion followed regarding how to engage Sea Mar to share information about their statements concerning operating the clinic beginning in 2023 with no ongoing subsidy from the District. With respect to inviting them to a District meeting to discuss this, Superintendent Jensen said that he felt Sea Mar was unlikely to respond to an invitation to do this. It was agreed that the right questions need to be asked of Sea Mar about their proposal. Regarding the rest of the action items, Alan suggested that we need the communications plan detailed in terms of who was assigned what activity, and updated set of Talking Points, and a FAQ document.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Payroll – The Superintendent's pay for the pay period Sept. 1 – 15 includes retro pay of \$934.41 for July and August based on the new salary for the period 07/01/2022 – 06/30/2023. The total for the pay period is \$5,556.49. A motion was made and seconded to approve the payroll. The motion passed unanimously.

Account Payable – Commissioner Wolzcko requested approval of an invoice from Kraza and Associates in the amount of \$2500. A motion was made and seconded to approve the invoice. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Pryne raised the issue of the ongoing subsidy payment of \$125,000 to Sea Mar in light of Sea Mar's prior verbal offer to reduce the subsidy to \$91,667 per month. He requested that we formally request this of Sea Mar.

Outreach Committee

Commissioners Pryne and Noble gave an update on the status of the new website. The plan is to use WP Engine as the new hosting site. They hope the new website can be up this week.

Strategic Planning Task Force

The Task Force was updated regarding what Sea Mar's termination represents in terms of planning for a new clinic, Sea Mar's zero cost plan for operating without a subsidy, and what the District is trying to accomplish at this point. Superintendent Jensen commented that as a large, diversified FQHC Sea Mar has several potentially competitive lines of business that could compete with local Vashon providers.

New Business

Commission Approval of Use of Mediator – the commissioners discussed the potential need for a mediator and agreed that the District should offer to pay for the mediator.

A motion was made by Commissioner Aman, seconded by Commissioner Langland, and passed unanimously to request the superintendent prepare a list of possible mediators and set the maximum expense for mediation at \$10,000.

Weekly District "Office Hours" – A brief discussion occurred regarding the idea of "business hours" for commissioners in the community to improve access for the public and increase transparency.

Public Input

Commissioner Wolzcko introduced the 2nd public comment period. Jeni Johnson suggested a couple of other venues through which the District could connect with the community. The first is the VYFS board meeting Monday at 7 p.m. and the Vashon Social Services Network, which is Tuesday, Oct. 4 at 9 a.m. Another idea would be the Vashon Community Council meetings.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.