

TEHACHAPI VALLEY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
116 W E Street
Tehachapi, CA 93561
February 16, 2021

4:30pm

Board Present: Mike Nixon, Chair; Christine Sherrill, William Steele; Duane Moats
Board Absent: Sam Conklin
Staff Present: Lisa Hughes, Business Manager; Caroline Wasielewski, CEO; Chet Beedle, CFO via teleconference; Scott Nave, Counsel via teleconference

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Mike Nixon called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Finance Committee Minutes, 1/13/2021
2. Strategic Planning Committee Minutes, 1/14/2021
3. Board Meeting Minutes, 1/19/2021

Consent Agenda Approval

MSA: STEELE/SHERRILL; 4 -0, 1 ABSENT; APPROVED

V. OLD BUSINESS

Board Committees

Directors discussed to keep all current standing board committees and Board representatives as they are. There was a motion and second to add a new permanent Board committee. It would be named 'Community Outreach' committee. The directors on the committee would be W. Steele and C. Sherrill. Scott Nave and Ms. Wasielewski will work on amending the Bylaws and applicable policies. The motion was approved.
MSA; STEELE/SHERRILL; 4- 0, 1 ABSENT; APPROVED

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Community Outreach Proposal

CEO Wasielewski introduced Kathy Muriga. She asked the Board for support in

getting out information to community members about Covid 19 vaccinations. Board chairman Nixon suggested that this proposal go before the newly created Community Outreach committee as their first project.

B. Engie/AH Solar Project Proposal

Representatives of Engie have determined that the easement that is west of 1100 Magellan Drive is owed by TVHD. They asked the Board to consider reducing the easement approximately 30'-40'. This would allow enough space to fit ground mount solar panels. A motion was entered by Director Sherrill to approved extending the footprint of the solar facilities to include those portions that were previously thought to be city right-of-way on the road, subject to final approval by District CEO and Board Chair of a map depicting exactly where those facilities are going on the same terms and conditions as the original consent to the sublease between Engie and Adventist Health. Discussion continued and the Board agreed to maximize ground mounts and leave at least one car port that would also house EV charging stations. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved 4-0, with one director absent.

MSA; SHERRILL/STEELE; 4-0; 1 ABSENT; APPROVED

C. Award of Contract for Hospital Demolition Project

CEO Wasielewski reported the bids received for demolition of the old hospital building at 115 W E St were: \$327,000 from IDR and \$550,000 from American Incorporated. Director Moats motioned to discuss and accept the bid as presented by IDR. Director Sherrill seconded. During discussion, the Board was reminded that they are required to accept the lowest responsible bidder. *There was one public comment said that it would be sad to see the building go down.* The contract will be reviewed by CEO and Board chair and submitted for signature to all parties.

MSA; MOATS/SHERRILL; 4-0; 1 ABSENT; APPROVED

VI. REPORTS

A. Chief Financial Officer Report (Beedle)

CFO Beedle reviewed the financials for the Board. He stated cash flow in was below expectations since no property tax was deposited for November 2020. As he proceeded, he noted salaries were below budget and professional fees are above budget due to timing issues. He paid \$25,000 to Adventist Health for withholds. The rest of the reports were reviewed with no questions from the Board.

B. CEO Report

Ms. Wasielewski expressed excitement about the Community Outreach committee. She also thanked the Board for moving forward on the Demolition project. Form 700's are being completed for each director, legal counsel and CFO. They will be available for signature at the next Board meeting. She also mentioned some plumbing repairs that will take place on 116 W E St in March.

Board of Director Travel

None

VII. BOARD COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Chair Nixon commented on doing a demolition bid in the midst of a questionable economy. He urged the board to consider propels for what to put in place of old hospital. Director Moats suggested TVHD work with the city to get ideas. Director Steele suggested TVHD could offer up use of the parking lot to house the mobile COVID19 vaccination unit, if needed

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:16 pm

Respectfully,



Christine Sherrill
Secretary