

Montezuma County Hospital District Regular Board Meeting
EMS Training Room
March 12, 2025

Present:

Also Present:

Brandon Johnson, Chairperson	Rob Owens, SHS Plant Operations Dir	<u>Recorded by:</u>
Bill Thompson, Vice-Chairperson	Joe Theine, SHS CEO	Bridgett Jabour, Secretary
Robert Dobry, Secretary/Treasurer	Adam Conley, SHS CFO	
Sean Flaherty, Director	Eric Croke, SHS Vice-Chair	<u>Excused/Absent:</u>
Bob Ower, Director	Scott Anderson, Community Member	
	<u>Counsel:</u>	
	Bryson McCabe, MCHD Attorney	

Agenda Item/Topic	Findings and Discussions	Conclusions, Recommendations, Actions, and/or Motions	Follow-up Responsible Party
Call to order	MCHD Chair Brandon Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.	Mr. Johnson shared that MCHD Board member Orly Lucero passed away on Friday, March 7 th .	
Public Comment	None.		
Consent Agenda	February 12, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes Payment of Bills One item was added to the consent agenda, the invoice from Montezuma Irrigation for the annual assessment for the 5 shares of water totaling \$615.00, increasing the total payment of bills to \$3,981.45	It was moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda with addition of bill from Montezuma Irrigation as described. Motion: Robert Dobry Second: Bob Ower Motion carried.	
<u>REPORTS and ACTION ITEMS</u>			
SHS Board Report	SHS Board Vice-Chair Eric Croke advised that the SHS Board continues to look at the 2025 anticipated healthcare legislative challenges both at the state and federal level. In Colorado, only 1 in 4 hospitals have the margin for long-term sustainability.		

SHS Operating Report – CEO Joe Theine	SHS CEO Joe Theine reviewed the enclosed operational report. Federal programs continuing resolution package could have some potential decrease in physician fees paid. Uncertainty at the federal level centers around Medicaid funding. SHS anticipates \$25 million in Medicaid cash revenues. Mr. Theine has been in contact with Senator Hurd regarding hospital sustainability and the economic impact in the region. Mr. Theine encourages the community to use our facility to help maintain viability.		
Finance Report – CFO Adam Conley	SHS CFO Adam Conley shared an “at-a-glance” representations of the 2024 operating trends. January had higher volumes and was the 2 nd busiest month in the last 12 months. Mr. Conley reported days cash on hand of 101 days with all reserves available. \$3.24m of capital infrastructure funds balance.		
MCHD Financial Report – Robert Dobry, Scty/Treas	MCHD January Financial statements have not been received from the new accounting firm, per MCHD Scty/Treasurer Robert Dobry. He states he will email out to the board through the attorney’s office once received. Sales tax total received is \$131k – 98% of last year received for the same month.		
Capital Infrastructure Committee Report	Mr. Theine reported that the Congressionally Directed Spending Fuel Oil system funding request is not likely with current funding landscape at the federal level. It is recommended that we reapply for 2026. Based on the fact that the fuel oil system will not be able to wait for the next cycle and other needs more in the 3–5-year timeline are recommended, a new project will be identified. Mr. Flaherty reported that the HVAC project has a final bid of \$338k, under the preapproved amount. There were some smaller changes to the proposal with Bishop Air, but within contingency previously approved by both boards.		

	The committee has declined a proposal for an energy audit. The data already available on energy usage is sufficient for future work and plans.		
Foundation Report	MCHD Board Director Bob Ower stated the Foundation raised \$150k last year. The goal for 2025 is \$250k. The Foundation is identifying specific items to advertise to the public for donations. The Foundation is working closely with SHS on their capital budget to work together on procuring donations for these items.		
Optional Board Member Report	<p>MCHD Chair Brandon Johnson advised that the owner's representative interviews were completed. One of the two finalists backed out of the interview. The remaining interviewee was CAPM, with the main person working on-site being Peter Rehn, who was the representative who worked on the roofing project over the summer.</p> <p>The board discussed a memorial in honor of Orly Lucero on the campus. Discussion regarding a tree or other memorials.</p>	<p>It was moved and seconded to approve Mr. Johnson to sign the agreement with CAPM as MCHD's owner's representative. Mr. McCabe's office will draft the contract, to include specific terms to be reviewed with Mr. McCabe's office.</p> <p>MOTION: Robert Dobry SECOND: Bob Ower Motion carried.</p> <p>It was moved and seconded to appropriate \$500 towards the purchase and planting of a tree in Mr. Lucero's honor.</p> <p>MOTION: Robert Dobry SECOND: Bill Thompson Motion carried.</p>	
Attorney Report	<p>MCHD Attorney Bryson McCabe advised that there are 3 open positions as of May annual meeting, with the passing of Orly Lucero. The required election posting will be running in the newspaper today.</p> <p>Mr. McCabe also advised that McCabe's office will get in touch with Nunn to remind them of the agreement between the two parties on the warranty repair.</p> <p>It was noted that updates from the Owner's Representative will be sent to the full board each month, once work begins.</p>		

Adjournment		It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm. Motion carried.	
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Bridgett Jabour, MCHD Secretary

Robert Dobry, Secretary/Treasurer