



**RICE HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

August 26, 2024  
7:00pm

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Joe Mike Spanihel, Chairman  
Mark Anderson  
Jamy Dingler  
Billy Hefner

Joan Matthews, Vice-Chairman  
Vicki Powers, Secretary/Treasurer  
Joe McCreary

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
MaryJo Spanihel, Practice Administrator  
Michele Carter, CNO

Charlie Slaton (*via Videoconference*)  
Dina Hermes, Corporate CFO (*via Videoconference*)  
Sanjuana Martinez, Administrative Assist.

**ABSENT:**

Audrey Schneider

Charles Huffman

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Rice Hospital District was called to order Joe Mike Spanihel, Chairman at 7:03 p.m.

**II. INVOCATION**

Mark Anderson gave the invocation for all present.

**III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mark Anderson moved, and Vicki Powers seconded to approve the July 22, 2024, minutes as submitted. The motion carried. (See Attachment A)

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Advice:** Wellness and Education Building Project – Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Kurt Sunderman gave an update on the Wellness and Education Center project and mentioned that they asked the architect to explore options to expand the ER. He also informed that the lawyer is exploring options for the District to support these projects.

**B. Advise/Consent:** Election of Officers – Joe Mike Spanihel, Chairman  
Joe Mike opened the floor for nominations for Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary/Treasurer. Joe Mike Spanihel for Chairman, Joan Matthes for Vice-Chairman, and Vicki Powers for Secretary/Treasurer were nominated. With no other nominations, Vicki Powers moved, and Billy Heffner seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously that Joe Mike Spanihel be elected Chairman. With no other nominations, Jamy Dingler moved, and Vicki Powers seconded the motion, the

motion carried unanimously that Joan Matthews be elected Vice-Chairman. With no other nominations, Billy Heffner moved, and Joe McCrery seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously that Vicki Powers be elected Secretary/Treasurer.

- C. **Advise/Consent:** 2024 Tax Rate Calculations – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Billy Heffner moved, and Joe McCrery seconded the motion to approve the 2024 Tax Rate Calculations as submitted. The motion carried. (See Attachment B)
- D. **Advise/Consent:** 2024 Notice About Tax Rates – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Billy Heffner moved, and Joe McCrery seconded the motion to approve the 2024 Notice About Tax Rate as submitted. The motion carried. (See Attachment C)
- E. **Advise/Consent:** 2024 Tax Rate Proposal – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Billy Heffner moved, and Joe McCrery seconded the motion to propose a tax rate of .269000. The motion was carried unanimously. The board stated that if a public hearing is needed, it will be on Monday, September 23, 2024, at 7:00 pm followed by the regular meeting at Rice Medical Center conference room, at which time the board will discuss and/or adopt a tax rate. Sanjuana Martinez will coordinate the Notice of Public Hearing.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Advise/Consent:** Invoices – Dina Hermes, CFO  
Mark Anderson moved, and Jamy Dinger seconded to approve the Indigent Care invoice for the month of July and the Matt Gilbert invoices for the month of July. The motion carried. (See Attachment D)
- B. **Advise/Consent:** Opioid Resolution – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Joan Matthews moved, and Vicki Powers seconded to approve the Opioid Resolution as submitted. The motion carried. (See Attachment E)
- C. **Advise/Consent:** CAD Contract for Assessment/Collection Services – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Vicki Powers moved, and Joe McCrery seconded to approve the CAD Contract for 3-year term, 2024/2027. The motion carried. (See Attachment F)
- D. **Advise:** Certificate of Appraisal Roll for RHD – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Dina Hermes presented the Certificate of Appraisal Roll for RHD. (See Attachment G)
- E. **Advise:** 2025 CAD Preliminary Budget and 2024 CAD Budget – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO  
Dina Hermes presented the 2025 CAD Preliminary Budget and 2024 CAD Budget. (See Attachment H)
- F. **Advise/Consent:** RHD Bylaws Amendment – Dina Hermes, CFO / Kurt Sunderman, CEO / Joe Mike Spanihel, Chairman  
Joan Matthews moved, and Jamy Dinger seconded to approve the amendment to the RHD Bylaws. The motion carried. (See Attachment E)

**VII. REPORTS**

**A. CAHRMC Board Report** – Jamy Dingler, CAHRMC President

Jamy Dingler reported from the 5:00 pm CAHRMC board meeting:

- The board reviewed the Dashboard report
- Dina Hermes presented the financial report.
- The board approved the new appointment, reappointments and removals as recommended by the Medical Staff.
- The board reviewed the department reports.

**B. Finance Report** -Dina Hermes, Corporate CFO

Dina Hermes presented the financial reports, she reported that the Hospital District had total revenue of \$222,330.95 and a total net income of \$44,122.22 for the month of July 2024. (See Attachment J)

**C. CAH Report** - Charlie Slaton, CAH President

None

**D. CEO's Report** – Kurt Sunderman, CEO

Kurt Sunderman gave his written monthly CEO report. (See Attachment K)

**VIII. ADJOURN**

With no further business to discuss Joe McCrery made a motion and Billy Heffner seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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Joe Mike Spanihel, Chairman

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