

**Mountainview Medical Center**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**June 28, 2023**

Present: Bill Galt – Chair, Tanya Hill, Chris Schlepp, Rick Seidlitz, Cheri Bailey, Rob Brandt – CEO, Tony Pfaff– Cypress Healthcare.  
Via Zoom: Shane Sereday

1. Call to Order

Bill called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

2. Minutes

Review of 5-24-2023 minutes. Rick moved to accept as presented, Chris seconded.

**Motion carried.**

3. DON/Quality

Priscilla reported she has an interview scheduled for tomorrow, an RN from the area. They have received 2 types of chest seals for penetrating chest traumas. MMC received a Quality award from Yellowstone for medication reconciliation. Activities is scheduling volunteers for activities on the weekends. Residents are enjoying the new faces.

4. Medical Staff Report:

Dr. Whitmore reported an uptick through ER and clinic. Providers and nursing will be participating in a simulation in mid-July. Most recently in the community is a GI illness in ranchers and field hands.

5. Financials: May

- Investment Accounts: 1<sup>st</sup> Security 245K, cash was taken out in June. US Bank loss: 1.18 million, Merrill Lynch loss 1.13 million, CD account gain 2.8 million
- New facility work-in-progress: 1.38 million. Last month had architect and project management fees.
- Revenue: clinic 54K, hospital 615K, net patient 810K
- Expenses: 627K
- Operating profit 182K, net profit 183K
- Census: inpatient days 7, swing days 49, ER visits 47, clinic 333
- Days Cash on hand: 345
- AR days: 62

FY2023 Budget: took the 10 months figures from FY23 and multiplied for estimated total. 4.5% discretionary increase overall with a projected 70K profit. Specific line-item changes were to Medicare adjustments and cost report adjustments. Also added 50K on the community benefit line. Would like to increase expenses by 4.5 % for employees. 2.5-4% merit-based raise to wages. Managers determine the merit. Increase the 401K match by 1% and bring 3 department wages up to speed: PT for exceptional performance, maintenance and

central supply. All rolled into 4.5 %. Rick moved and Chris seconded to approve. **Motion carried.**

6. CEO Report:

New Facility – Rob met with the USDA team. He gets the feeling they are going to push the start date to Spring to break ground. We are looking at bonds, they have started working on it. The state architect and state director want to have a meeting to talk about the schedule. Construction documents are 40% completed. This will allow for detailed bidding.

Rob met with the engineers for the water line. The city wants to start and devise a plan for connection. They will start by Townsends pivot and would sub-contract to make the taps, as they don't have the equipment. They have the liability once they tap the line. Still yet to determine who the contractor will be for us.

Question of who from the USDA will be here protecting them. They have a state architect that lives in Helena. He works for the USDA. Tony stated he will show up quarterly.

The hurdles through the USDA will be many. If the bonding stays on schedule we will start the beginning of September. As for the Rodeo Club, we will be cognizant of the parking for the rodeo and the timing will be considered.

As for a formal vote for bonding, vote was already done via email to pursue bonding. Does the board want a formal vote. Rick made a motion to pursue the bonding for due diligence. Chris seconded to proceed. **Motion carried**, unanimously.

Information Items:

Traditionally a July meeting is not held. Everyone is in agreement.

4H auction is the 3rd or 4th week of July, does the board wish to buy a beef and distribute to the employees. Yes.

Rob is meeting with the commissioners on the 5<sup>th</sup> to request the Harmon Trust funds for the Paul Hill convention center. Commitment pledged for 1 million from the Porters, if we raise the other 2 million. They also gave another 100K for the mental health program.

Public Comment: none

Motion to adjourn by Chris, seconded by Rick at 4:15 p.m.