

## MISCELLANEOUS AND COUNTY HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Miscellaneous and County Health Committee met in the County Board Room on June 15, 2021 at 6:30pm. Members present were Janet Fleming, Chairwoman, Tom Rodgers Pat Cramer, Andrew Asbury, Dennis Castlebury, Stephen Finney, Bonnie Phillips and Delbert Kreps, Chairman of the Board.

Ada Bair, CEO and Raigan Brown, Head of Nursing entered the meeting and also County Board Member Patsy Davis.

Ada Bair stated that they came to the meeting to see if anyone had any questions for them regarding the hospital. Rumor was they were interested in taking over the ambulances and she stated this is not true and just a rumor. The members did discuss some of the function the ambulance does with the hospital on certain transfers and they are working with Jenny to maybe make some changes, but nothing for sure and they will continue to talk with Jenny and maybe come back in August if they have anything for the committee. Pat Cramer stated that if they were negotiating with Jenny, there should be board members on the committee and everyone else stated this was Jenny's job.

Tom Rodgers made the motion that there would be no County Board Members on the negotiation with Jenny Meeks and the Hospital. Stephen Finney seconded the motion. All voted aye, excepting Pat Cramer voting nay. Motion carried.

Jenny Meeks, Director of the EMS gave her report on her funds and the balance of her loan. The members discussed paying the loan off and Pat stated he talked to the bank and she could get another one if she needed it.

After discussing a motion was made by Pat Cramer to pay off the Loan of Approximately \$37,255.40 next month. It could be a little different with interest. Andrew Asbury seconded the motion. All voted aye, with the exception of Tom Rodgers voting nay. Motion carried.

Jenny stated that the contractual write off for May 31, 2021 was \$8,311.53. A motion was made by Dennis Castlebury to present this to the full board and seconded by Stephen Finney. Motion carried.

Jenny also state at this time there aren't any to go to collections. She also stated she would be getting a distribution hopefully the end of the weekl.

Jenny did inform the members that she presented a proposal to the Finance Committee for \$640,000.00 of ARPA funds the county is to get, to purchase more ambulances and equipment. There was a special Board meeting held regarding the USA Grant for the ambulance that is to be her on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Jenny stated she did put a bid in the paper two years ago and everything was legal. Jenny also stated she went to the Dallas Rural Fire meeting again with a different proposal and has heard nothing back from them. She does have a grant to have the parking lot over laid, but will go back and make sure everything is legal with it. There will be a class in January for ICS 300, 400 for various Hancock County leadership positions that are coming together to take these courses for incident Command Systems.

Jenny would like to have on the agenda some time to present badges to Brian Friedrich, Captain and Konnor Bland, Lieutenant as a token of her appreciation for accepting these leadership positions and for accepting additional responsibilities at the June 22<sup>nd</sup> Full Board Meeting.

Jack Curfman, ESDA Director stated that weekly sitreps to IEMA for COVID-19 is no longer. He conducted the STARCOM radio net for June. Jack also started the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Grant. A. Current plan expires January 31, 2023. B. U of I Contractor (lb. 25% match) C. County and all incorporated communities.

Jack has been working one hour on adopt a lot, and two hours on building permit in Niota. Has had 60 miles this month on the Flood Plain.

Jan talked to Mike Wright, Animal Control Warden and he stated that work on building is at stand still and he is going to try to patch it up for now. Janet told him to wait and have the Vet come when Rachel Mast can be here.

Amy Hall at the County Health Department had nothing to report, stated things have rather calmed down now.

Jenny Meek ask the members on the money requested from ARPA, if she could publish the bid, and the members discussed this. Finally, a motion was mad by Tom Rodgers to allow Jenny to look into the legal aspect of the requests and proceed with what she can, as no guarantee she will get the money. Anne Phillips seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fifty-two claims were reviewed by the committee members. After reviewing a motion was made by Dennis Castlebury to send these claims to the full board for approval. Pat Cramer seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Having nothing further to discuss a motion was made by Dennis Castlebury to recess until July 13, 2021 at 6:30pm. Tom Rodger seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet Fleming". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Janet Fleming, Chairwoman