

**GRAYS HARBOR PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING  
October 24, 2017**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Miles Longenbaugh, District 3 (via conference line)  
Pete Scroggs, At Large  
Robert Torgerson, At Large 1  
Becky Walsh, District 5 (via conference line)  
Maryann Welch, District 1

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Tom Jensen, CEO, GHCH  
Joe Vessey, CFO, GHCH  
Teresa Ramirez, Executive Assistant, GHCH  
Members of the Public

**ABSENT**

Andrew Bickar, District 4  
Armando Juarez, Jr, District 2

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President Welch called the meeting to order at 2:34p.

**Absences**

Commissioners Bickar and Juarez provided notice that they would not be in attendance during today's meeting.

**Action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Torgerson, seconded by Commissioner Scroggs, and unanimously carried to approve Commissioners Bickar and Juarez's absences.

**Public Comment** – Agenda Topics

President Welch opened the meeting to members of the public for comment regarding topics listed on the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- Minutes of September 26, 2017 Board of Commissioners meeting.
- Checks/Warrants for September 2017 in the amount of \$52,980.95.

**Action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Torgerson, seconded by Commissioner Scroggs, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**COMMITTEE / CHAIRMAN REPORT**

**Finance Committee**

Submitted were the 2018 Budget, as well as Resolutions 2017-03 - 2018 Budget and Levy; Resolution 2017-04 - 2018 Levy; and 2018 Levy Certification.

Mr. Vessey provided report on the Budget:

- The 2017 year-to-date numbers are being rolled-over into 2018, with the philosophy to project a flat 2018 Budget.
- Reflected within the Budget is a decrease in FTE's from 565.17 to 541.95 in 2018. Unfortunately, it is a necessary decrease in order to remain financially viable. Most of the decrease will be realized through attrition or by not replacing positions. Departments are addressing productivity, based on an Truven Assessment conducted in the past.
- Salaries are projected to decrease due to the declining FTE's.

- The Tax Levy is set at \$2.8M, in order to allow for potentially higher property assessments.
- The Net Operating Revenue is budgeted at a 3% increase.
- Efforts will be taken to renegotiate with commercial insurances for higher reimbursement.
- Professional Fees are being budgeted lower, due to TeamHealth now doing their own billing.
- Supplies are increasing by 5% due purely to inflation of pharmaceuticals and implantables.
- Depreciation is going down as we continue to not buy new equipment and older equipment continues to depreciate.
- Net Income for 2018 is in the ballpark of \$1.14M.

Mr. Vessey brought forward that final adjustments will still be made prior to the November 14<sup>th</sup> Budget Hearing.

Commissioner Welch questioned whether Commissioners need to approve the District Budget. Mr. Vessey indicated that he would provide more detailed break-out within the final combined Budget.

The 2018 Budget and Resolutions will be submitted, with action to be taken, at the November 14<sup>th</sup> Budget Hearing to be held at 4:30p in Room C.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Welch provided Commissioner Juarez' resignation, whose term was until November 2019. Commissioner Welch announced that any interested community member will need to submit their resume to Teresa Ramirez, GHCH Executive Assistant, by November 9<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners Scroggs and Torgerson will serve as Adhoc Committee members who will interview candidates.

**ACTION:** A motion made by Commissioner Walsh, seconded by Commissioner Torgerson, and unanimously approved to regrettably accept Commissioner Juarez' resignation from the Hospital and District Board.

Roundtable agreement to develop and send a press release regarding the vacancy.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT** – General

President Welch opened the meeting to public comment from members of the community regarding issues that were not part of the agenda.

**NEXT MEETING**

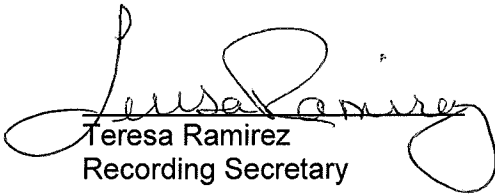
Budget Hearing:	November 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:30p	Room C
District Board Mtg:	November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Room C	Following 6:00p Hospital Board Mtg.

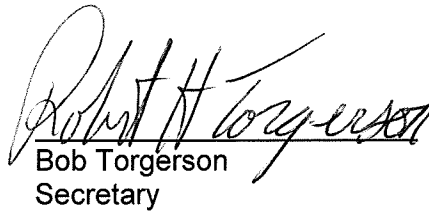
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:48p.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.**

**ATTEST:**

  
Teresa Ramirez  
Recording Secretary

  
Bob Torgerson  
Secretary