## PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2 OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON SOUTH SNOHOMISH COUNTY COMMISSION FOR HEALTH

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Meeting **February 23, 2011** 

**Commissioners** 

Present

Fred Langer, President Charles Day, Secretary

Deana Knutsen, Commissioner

J. Bruce Williams, M.D., Commissioner

**Others Present** 

C. Zapora, Superintendent

E. Ash, Treasurer

M. Correll, Executive Assistant

L. Hunt, Auditor

H. Thomas, Thomas ConsultingCitizens from the community

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Hospital District No. 2, Snohomish County, was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Langer.

Approval of **Minutes** 

Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on January 26, 2011 and the Special meeting on February 17, 2011.

President Langer introduced Mr. Thomas and expressed the Commissioners' appreciation for his services over the last few months as interim Superintendent.

Administrative Report:

Mr. Thomas thanked President Langer and stated that it has been a pleasure to serve the District. He reported that the Swedish transaction has been finalized and the paperwork will be given to President Langer and Dr. Williams for their signatures. Mr. Thomas stated that Mr. Zapora is on board and getting up to speed. Mr. Thomas gave each of the Commissioners a memento to memorialize the Swedish/Edmonds transaction.

President Langer thanked Mr. Thomas and stated that the Commissioners also had some thank you's to hand out. This is a big day and something that they all should be very proud of. This is going to create a tremendous amount of good for the community. President Langer stated that he was very proud to be associated with this effort and a lot of good was put into this project.

President Langer presented the Swedish/Edmonds Executive

Administrative team with a token of appreciation. Mr. Langer thanked

Mike Carter,

Rick Canning, Sarah Zabel, Nancy Edwards, Paul Fisk and Will Erickson Administrative

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for their leadership and vision over the last five years, which was instrumental in bringing the District to the favorable position that it is in today.

Board Finance Committee Commissioner Knutsen reported that the Finance Committee met on February 16, 2011.

Profit & Loss Statement Ms. Hunt reported on the financials for January (E:06:11).

Authorization for Payment of Vouchers & Payroll Warrants No. 10137 through 10151, 643969 through 643972 and 643978 for January for payment in the amount of \$253,798.99 were presented for approval (E:07:11). *Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve.* 

Resolution No. 2011-02

A RESOLUTION of the Commission of Public Hospital District No. 2, Snohomish County, Washington (the "District"), appointing Carl Zapora as superintendent and removing Howard Thomas as interim superintendent of the District. *Motion was made*, *seconded and passed unanimously to approve*.

Other Business:

President Langer reported that there is some ongoing litigation. Advice has been received from our attorneys as to the manner in which this should be handled. The policy of the Board and the District is to not comment on litigations in any way, shape or form. We will follow the Public Meetings Act and appoint a subcommittee of two. The subcommittee will not act without the full authority of the Board. The attorneys have recommended that Mr. Langer and Mr. Day sit on the subcommittee. We would like a motion to form an *ad hoc* committee formed. *Motion was made*, *seconded and passed unanimously to approve*.

President Langer stated that a number of candidates have applied to fill the vacant Commissioner's position. He thanked everyone who has applied and expressed an interest in the position. There are two seats coming up for general election in the fall. The person who fills this seat will be required to stand for election in the fall. The person, who is appointed, if elected, will have two years to serve to complete Ms. Cole's remaining term. If they choose they will be required to stand for re-election two years subsequent for a full term. There will be three commissioners' seats up for election.

President Langer explained that there is a deadline to fill this seat within 60 days or they will lose the authority to do so. That power is invested with the County Council. No one on this Board is interested in allowing that to happen. We did publish a method that we are going to be using in this process. There is flexibility in the method. Determination as to whether the applications will be accepted will be determined in Executive Session

Other Business: cont.

Three candidates were present and were allowed to give a five minute presentation on why they would be a good fit for the open commissioner position. The candidates are Marissa Bender, D.M.D., Robert Knowles Commissioners Meeting February 23, 2011 Page 3

and David Peterson.

The three candidates spoke today as the outline was published. Candidates will be invited back for an interview in Executive Session in the next week or so.

**Public Input:** 

Mr. Rutledge was present and explained why he had put his application in for the seat on the Board of Commissioners. He noted items he thought should be addressed if Swedish/Edmonds Hospital is going to compete with other hospitals.

**Executive Session** 

President Langer recessed the regular meeting at 8:29 a.m. into Executive Session to discuss the process for filling the open commissioner's position.

President Langer stated that the Commissioners would reconvene in approximately 25 minutes and no action would be taken in this Executive Session.

President Langer reconvened into open session at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

**ATTEST BY:** 

Secretary		
President		