

MINUTES OF MEETING OF KINGSBURG TRI-COUNTY HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: March 10, 2021
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Place: Kingsburg City Council Chambers
1401 Draper Street
Kingsburg, CA 93631

Members Present:

Arlie Rogers, Chairman
Lori Sanders, Vice-Chairman, Secretary
Tiffany Dix, Treasurer
Gary Nelson, Member
Todd Thompson, Assistant Treasurer

Also Present:

Moses Diaz, Attorney
Shereme Watson, Administrative Clerk, Deputy Secretary

Members Absent:

None

Item #1: Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Arlie Rogers at 4:07. Members Rogers, Sanders, Dix, Nelson and Thompson were present. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Item #2: Public Comment

None.

Items #3 and 4: Approval of Consent Calendar

Member Dix made a motion to approve the minutes with amendments. Second by Member Thompson.

Ayes: Rogers, Sanders, Dix, Nelson and Thompson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Member Thompson requested that outstanding checks be included in each monthly treasurer's report. Todd Thompson made a motion to approve the February treasurer's report. Second by Lori Sanders.

Ayes: Rogers, Sanders, Dix, Nelson and Thompson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Item #5: Update and action on landscaping areas-of-concern at Crestwood Healing Center

Crestwood Executive Vice President Patty Blum, and Director of Facilities Management Anthony Nguyen, joined the board meeting via telephone to discuss landscaping issues at the Kingsburg facility. Mr. Nguyen apologized and took responsibility for allowing the areas planted with ground cover to become so run down. He also acknowledged the problem with the soaker hoses. He shared his concern that any new plantings be in line with the original landscape plan approved by the city of Kingsburg in 2014.

Member Nelson expressed his frustration and concern over the issue, and specifically wants to follow up on the large liquid amber tree inside the exercise area, which was removed in late February or early March. He is concerned its roots could cause additional problems.

Chairman Rogers requested that Mr. Nguyen meet board members Nelson and Sanders at the actual facility to look over the problems areas, to which Mr. Nguyen agreed. Shereme will coordinate a time for all parties to meet and do a walk around to address the multiple issues.

Items #6: Resolution in response to COVID-19, review/ratification of expenditures and continuation of related determination of local emergency - Herb Knight Community Center

Moses Diaz updated the board on current and changing state and federal COVID-19 mandates. He advised the board that special districts have been left out of state and local government COVID-19 relief funding, but if included in the future, such funds could be used for vaccines or possible reimbursement of emergency funding the district dispersed via this resolution.

In addition to the spreadsheet of costs Member Nelson requested from the Herb Knight Community Center in February, he is now requesting copies of all receipts for such purchases. He also requested receipts for all purchases KCAPS made with COVID-19 emergency funding. Shereme will obtain the documents.

Item #7: Discuss and potential updates to district Bylaws

Moses Diaz suggested updating the bylaws to include a section titled Board Member Education. Every two years all board members, both new and re-elected, will participate in training for AB 1234 - Ethics Education and Training, as well as supervisor training for SB 1343 - Prevention of Sexual Harassment. New board members need to complete the training within six months of joining the board.

Tiffany Dix made a motion to amend the current bylaws to include a Board Member Education section, and require all board members to follow the outlined training and schedule. Second by Todd Thompson.

Ayes: Rogers, Sanders, Dix, Nelson and Thompson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Item #8: Discuss formation of an ad hoc committee to start the process of fact findings, and information gathering, on a “Health and Wellness Initiative” for the community

Members Thompson and Nelson updated the board that they hope to have a steering committee in place by June 2021. It will be made up of themselves and 7 members of the community the health care district serves. This committee would be in existence for a short period of time, and then an advisory committee would be formed as the project moves forward.

Item #9: Board member reports, updates and items of interest

Member Sanders reported to the board that the drinking fountain/water bottle station vendor she has been working has been difficult to get in touch with. She will continue with the project.

Member Sanders also reported to the board that she spoke with Scott Carlson, a member of the Kingsburg Lion's Club, in regard to possibly being a sponsor for the 2021 Dala Horse Trot. She was waiting to hear back from him once the city has determined all the particulars for this event due to COVI-19 restrictions.

Chairman Rogers informed the board that the KYBA has only used a fraction of the initial \$3000 in emergency COVID-19 funding the district provided for sanitation. KYBA will be returning all unused funds. Chairman Rogers also asked the organization for a copy of their COVID-19 protocol. Chairman Rogers went over COVID-19 expenditures and available funds.

Chairman Rogers shared that Valley Health Team should break ground on their new facility this May.

Item #10: Staff and/or consultant reports and updates

Shereme reminded board members about the necessary ethics and prevention of sexual harassment training they need to complete.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Sanders, Secretary