

Pend Oreille Hospital District
MINUTES
July 26, 2022

A meeting of the **Board of Trustees of the Pend Oreille Hospital District** was held in the HSB Monarch/Cabinet Room.

Present: Tom Lawrence, Helen Parsons, Dan Rose, Tim Cochran, and Bart Casey. Scott Burgstahler attended by phone. Others present: Julie Hoffman.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Tom Lawrence, Chairman.

Business:

1. Agenda - Motion to approve agenda as written was made by Dan Rose, seconded by Helen Parsons. The Agenda was approved by 6 yea votes.
2. Approval of Minutes. Motion to approve the minutes from the June 28, 2022 meeting was made by Dan Rose, seconded by Helen Parsons. Approval of Minutes was approved by 6 yea votes.
3. Treasurer's Report. A copy of the Treasurer's Report was handed out. County Warrant has not been received yet this month. Tim Cochran moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Bart Casey and approved by 6 yea votes.
4. Funding Requests for the POHD. Funding Requests for POHD Clinics are as follows:
 - a. **Sandpoint Women's Health: \$66,504**
 - b. **Ear, Nose & Throat Clinic: \$30,985**
 - c. **Behavioral Health Clinic: \$28,565**

Total: \$126,054

Requests and spreadsheets were reviewed. It was noted that at this current time we do not have enough money in the checking account to fully fund the clinics. Motion was made by Bart Casey to fund the 3 clinics for a total of \$126,054 and to pay when County Warrant is received, seconded by Tim Cochran. Motion to pay Funding Request was approved by 5 yea votes and 1 nay vote.

5. ENT Clinic. Julie report on the ENT Clinic. Dr. Anderson has decided that she is retiring from being an ENT physician and will be leaving BGH and the ENT clinic will close effective the end of October 2022. Discussion was held regarding the ENT clinic and the history of ENT in our community. We do have some ENT equipment (a list is available for those who wish to see it), do we want to hold on to it for a while? Give thought to what to do with the equipment and when. Do we want to look at funding any other clinics and some of our other options and upcoming obligations with our current clinics.
6. POHD Meeting Location and Time. Chairman Lawrence noted that Dan wanted to change the location for a couple of reasons. After consultation with legal council, they do not believe we are the persons who made or enforced the rule for the hospital not allowing weapons, second, the State Law states that the Board will meet monthly and that the Board will determine where the meetings are to be held. It doesn't appear that there are any statements about not being allowed private vs. public areas or statement about having weapons in open meeting laws when they are in a public place. Chairman state he is still talking with Scott Bauer who received the complaint, and that Chairman Lawrence has written the Attorney General who stated that it is up to the local prosecutors what they do with guns and open meeting laws but that doesn't necessarily refer to our place. Dan Rose made mention that Scott Bauer should be asked clarify his opinion is as to what he believes as opposed to what your attorneys believe, Dan thinks it quite clear that it is absolutely a violation in reference to 18-33-02J.

Chairman Lawrence will have the attorneys draft a response to Scott Bauer, based on Scott Bauer's email that he received last night and report back with responses. Dan Rose moved that the Chairman file a written response to Scott Bauer immediately. No second was received.

7. Public Comment. No one from the public was present or phoned in.
8. Next meeting is August 23, 2022. The meeting will be in the HSB Monarch/Cabinet Room at 7 a.m.
9. With no other business to be brought before the Board, Bart Casey made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Helen Parsons and was approved by 6 Yea votes. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Hoffman (filling in for Secretary)