



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SNOHOMISH COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO.1**

Minutes  
August 6, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Snohomish County Public Hospital District No. 1 (“SCPHD1”) meeting was called to order by Commissioner Karen Gahm at 3:02 p.m. Present for the meeting was Karen Gahm, Chair & SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Alice Cabe, Secretary & SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Chuck Strub, SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Steve Matuschak, SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Lisa LaPlante, EHM Chief Administrative Officer & District Superintendent; Ann Peterson, EHM Financial Officer; Megan Wirsching, Chief Nursing Officer and Melissa Gray, Recording Secretary for the Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public wished to comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Gahm presented the SCPHD1 Consent Agenda which included the July 2, 2024, SCPHD1 minutes. There being no questions, Commissioner Gahm called for a motion to approve the consent agenda items.

**Motion:** Commissioner Strub moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included the July 2, 2024, and SCPHD1 minutes. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

**SCPHD#1 BUSINESS**

**ORTHO CLINIC TRANSITION TO PROVIDER BASED**

FO Ann Peterson and Executive Director Kirk Hanson presented a proposal to transition EvergreenHealth Medical Group (EHMG) Monroe Orthopedic Clinic to Monroe Hospital outpatient department and provider-based billing clinic. Discussion ensued.

There being no further discussion needed, Commissioner Gahm called for a motion.

**Motion:** Commissioner Gahm moved to approve the project and associated capital expenditure for EvergreenHealth Monroe and EHMG to convert the EHMG Orthopedic clinic to a Monroe Hospital Outpatient department and provider-based billing department. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

**MFP PRE-DESIGN INITIATION**

CAO LaPlante and Director Garrett Buckingham presented the master facility planning pre-design request to seek funding approval, in the amount of \$500,000; to initiate pre-design of a potential replacement hospital building. Discussion ensued.

There being no further discussion needed, Commissioner Gahm called for a motion.

**Motion:** Commissioner Strub moved to approve the \$500,000 to complete the predesign as presented and to reimburse capital funds from any bond proceeds, if and when received. Commissioner Cave seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously.***



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**CAO REPORT**

CAO LaPlante noted the CAO report included in the board materials. The following highlights or updates were shared by CAO LaPlante, CNO Wirsching and FO Peterson: FEMA Training (in Anniston); Living Our Values award; Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Access Committee (DEIAC); Blue Jeans & Boots Gala; National Night Out; Kiwanis Golf Tournament; Alaris pumps; Pre-op clinic; Legacy gift to EHM Foundation; general surgeon recruitment; grant applications; June financials and provider growth. Discussion ensued.

CAO LaPlante reviewed the Q2-2024 LARC results noting action plans for any metrics not currently being met. Discussion ensued.

**EHM BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**i. BOARD QUALITY**

No July meeting.

**ii. AGB AUDIT & FINANCE**

Comm. Cabe noted the agenda items were the same business items on the agenda for this meeting.

**iii. EHM COMMUNITY ADVISORS**

An Infection Control presentation was shared at the July meeting which was received well by the advisors. Recruitment window will open in late August or early September. Next meeting is October 3.

**iv. AGB TALKING POINTS**

Continue discussions regarding presence in Snohomish.

**COMMISSIONER CLOSING COMMENTS**

Commissioner Gahm reiterated how important it is to get out into the community and noted upcoming opportunities for community events.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Commissioner Gahm adjourned the SCPHD#1 Board of Commissioners meeting at 4:44 p.m.

**ATTEST: SNOHOMISH COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1**

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