

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

Minutes April 30, 2024

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Snohomish County Public Hospital District No. 1 ("SCPHD1") meeting was called to order by Commissioner Karen Gahm at 3:01 p.m. Present for the meeting was Karen Gahm, Chair & SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Alice Cabe, Secretary & SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Steve Matuschak, SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Chuck Strub, SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Dee Bender, SCPHD#1 Commissioner; Lisa LaPlante, EHM Chief Administrative Officer & District Superintendent; Megan Wirsching, EHM Chief Nursing Officer; Ann Peterson, EHM Financial Officer; Blake Vintertun, EHM Foundation Director; Stacey Riden, EHM HR Director; and Melissa Gray, Recording Secretary for the Board.

Guests included Dr. Ashley Tran Morin, Dr. Stephen Gardner, Molly Brown, Leigh-Ann Gutman, Shirley Karlsen, Emma Foss, Jim Puntenney, Angela Stewart, Nick Miller.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public wished to comment.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Gahm presented the SCPHD1 Consent Agenda which included the April 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 April 2, 2024, SCPHD1 minutes. Commissioner Bender seconded the motion. *The motion carried unanimously*.

#### LIVING OUR VALUES

On behalf of the SCPHD1 Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Gahm presented the Living Our Values Board Award to Dr. Ashley Tran Morin for her outstanding contributions and unwavering commitment to excellence in patient care and leadership at EvergreenHealth Monroe.

#### SCPHD#1 BUSINESS

# 2024 LARC

FO Peterson and CAO LaPlante reviewed the proposed changes to the 2024 LARC organizational goals. Noted changes are the financial trigger and financial stewardship metrics. Discussion ensued. There being no further discussion needed, Commissioner Gahm called for a motion.

Motion:

Commissioner Matuschak moved to approve the 2024 LARC as presented. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. *The motion carried unanimously.* 

# Resolution 2024-01: Line of Credit

FO Peterson reviewed the memo included in the board materials that outlined the purpose, background, and recommendation. Discussion ensued. There being no further discussion needed, Commissioner Gahm called for a motion.

**Motion:** 

Commissioner Strub moved to approve and adopt Snohomish County Public Hospital District No. 1 Board Resolution 2024-01 authorizing the issuance of a not to exceed \$3 million principal amount Tax Anticipation Note, 2024 (Taxable Reducing Revolving Line of Credit) for the purpose of paying District operating and capital expenses pending the



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receipt by the District of regular property taxes in 2-24 and 2025: and approving the sale and providing for the delivery of the Note to Coastal Community Bank. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. *The motion carried unanimously.* 

# **ENT Capital Request**

FO Peterson presented a proposal to establish ENT in Monroe which included an SBAR, financial analysis and recommendation. Discussion ensued.

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

Motion:

Commissioner Strub moved to recommend to the Alliance Governance Board the project and associated capital expenditure for EvergreenHealth Monroe and EvergreenHealth Medical Group to establish an ENT clinic with OR capacity and EvergreenHealth Monroe. Commissioner Cabe seconded the motion. *The motion carried unanimously.* 

#### **CAO REPORT**

CAO LaPlante noted the CAO report included in the board materials and shared the following highlights or updates: Recovery Center breakfast, anesthesia services, hiring event, national nurses' week, national hospital week, EHM night at the races, and Fluoroscopy. FO Peterson shared the March financial results. Discussion ensued.

## **EHM BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### i. BOARD QUALITY

Commissioner Strub shared an update regarding Press Ganey and PI projects discussed at the last meeting.

#### ii. AGB AUDIT & FINANCE

Commissioner Matuschak noted the topics of discussion in the last meeting included 2024 LARC and March financial results.

## iii. EHM COMMUNITY ADVISORS

CAO LaPlante and CNO Wirsching shared that the committee received an overview of the Exploring Careers & Healthcare Opportunities (ECHO) presentation.

#### iv. AGB TALKING POINTS

Recovery Center breakfast and community events.

# **COMMISSIONER CLOSING COMMENTS**

Commissioner Gahm shared the American Hospital Association Fact Sheet: Explaining Hospital Billing (Sept 2017) to provide commissioners a resource to better understand hospital billing. In addition, she noted the new Parking policy and reminded commissioners to complete their parking permit and send it to Melissa to assist.

# **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Commissioner Gahm adjourned the SCPHD#1 Board of Commissioners meeting at 4:31 p.m.



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Melissa Gray	Alice Cabe
Melissa Gray, Recording Secretary	Alice Cabe, Commissioner & Board Secretary