



MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN NYE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

101 Radar Road, Tonopah, NV 89049

October 25, 2018

6:00 PM

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Chairman Eason opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Ken Eason

Vice-Chair Cathie Clifford

Secretary / Treasurer Justin Zimmerman

Trustee Karmin Greber

Trustee Roni Link

Assistant County Manager Lorina Dellinger

Item #1, Pledge of Allegiance.

Led by Trustee Greber.

Item #2, Approval of the Agenda for October 25, 2018 (Non-action Item)

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman recommended the removal of item 5.

Chairman Eason accepted this recommendation.

Item #3, GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item (first).

Horace Carlyle stated that he had spoken to County Manager Tim Sutton after the last Board of County Commissioners meeting. He said that he hasn't changed his opinion of the board and of the fine job that they are doing. But he said that he has some anxiety while reviewing some documents recently that he'd received from Mr. Sutton. He said that even though the board is doing great, he believed there are trip wires out there. He said that he's been working on this for a number of years and sent it to the Attorney General, and Senators Reid and Heller. He said that Senator Heller and his staff helped him with Governor Sandoval. He said the issue was the Hospital Board was on tax watch, and that the Hospital Board was not on tax watch, Nye County was, because the State was watching what Nye County would try to do with the Hospital District's money. He said that he understands that this is hearsay but he has a letter from Governor Sandoval. He said that this is complex. He said that if you look at the history, and also that Chairman Eason knows as well since he was Chairman under Dr. Scoccia's regime, that there was another agreement started in 1997 that extended to 1999 for the sale of the institution, and they couldn't even get a proposal. So, in 1999 they decided to unload it to a firm that didn't meet the request for proposal, for \$100,000.00 payable

as \$33,333.33 per year for three years. He said that within that contract of about 49 pages, there was a light supervision of the purchasing institution, there were caveats and certain minimum standards that allegedly had to be met. They weren't. He believes that we are in the same situation today. He said the hospital is the fruit of a tainted bankruptcy agreement that was very complex. He said to check public record as he had put this on the agenda of December 9th, 2015, specifically item 6. He said that he asked questions about the bankruptcy and was told that the Town of Tonopah and himself as a citizen had no right to know anything because they are not parties to it. He said that the point is that he isn't telling the board what to think, but that the board is exposed to risk. He said that the Board's alleged attorney or the person that the board consults with as an attorney didn't want to touch the bankruptcy with a ten-foot pole. He said that if no one wants to touch it, the board needs to hire a consultant or Mr. Pillers or anyone that's qualified to lay out the foundation because he really has questions and he looked at it the other day. He said that the Board was set up as a piggy bank, and that the board was never set up to operate a hospital, not to be independent. He said that all of this is in the County minutes, and that the board can go look, when they approved this thing with a vote 3 to 2. He said that he cautions the Board as a neighbor, because this is about all of us. He said that the Board can be fantastic, but if we are in violation of Federal Law, which he thinks Nye County is, in his opinion as nobody is showing him where he's wrong. Then he went on to say that the main thing is that there's another issue, he wanted to thank Renown, the local staff that have helped his wife and himself. He said that he wanted to thank them for their good will because he isn't sure how long they'll be here.

Item #4, Announcements (first)

None.

Item #5, For Possible Action – Emergency Items

Removed from the agenda.

Item #6, Trustees'/Liaison Comments (This item limited to topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Item #7, No Action – 1) Presentation by Renown Health and Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority of their September and August 2018 reconciliation packages; and 2) update on the progress made regarding the implementation of services pursuant to the professional services agreements entered into on December 20th, 2017.

Jessica Thompson represented Renown Health. She provided some updates. She said their new provider, Lisa, started with Renown in Reno on the 15th of October and she is currently going through orientation. There isn't a set start date, but they are hoping for the beginning of December. She said that their primary care numbers went down for the month of September, due to one of their providers being out on vacation for the entire month. She also announced that their nurse practitioner Carol Myer retired as of October, so they are down to Dr. Zsikla. But hopefully Lisa will be able to fill this gap.

Trustee Greber asked if Lisa was a PA and Jessica responded in the affirmative.

Jessica went on to state that Renown's urgent care has been steady. She said they have seen approximately 40 visits per month and she's sure that number will climb. She also reported a steady increase in occupational health visits, with 47 visits last month. She then asked if the Board had any questions.

Trustee Greber asked what new skills and services Lisa will bring to the clinic.

Jessica said that Lisa will be performing primary care for all age groups. Jessica also said that Lisa will be getting certified to perform CDL physicals on site, but that is to come, she does not have that certification yet.

Trustee Greber asked if it was a goal for Lisa to perform outpatient procedures.

Jessica responded that this was a hope. It won't be until Lisa has feet on the ground in the clinic that we will know what she is comfortable doing and what the offered services will be able to expand to.

Trustee Greber asked what Lisa's schedule will be.

Jessica explained that she will work Monday afternoons, all day Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday mornings. The half days account for commute time to Las Vegas. She also stated that Dr. Zsikla will be staying on and augmenting Lisa's schedule.

Trustee Greber asked how long Lisa was contracted for.

Jessica did not know.

REMSA was not represented at this meeting.

Item #8, No Action – Update on USDA Grant, presented by Project Manager Dr. Russell Pillers.

Dr. Pillers presented the plans for the USDA Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant facilitated by NyE Communities Coalition. He stated that he also gave this presentation to the Duckwater Tribe recently as they are the other beneficiaries of this grant.

NyE Communities Coalition applied for the grant and took Dr. Pillers on as an employee to manage the grant.

Dr. Pillers said that the way the proposal is written, the project will take two years with the option to extend to three years. But, he stated that he is motivated to get it done in one year but can make no promise. At the end of this project, the Board will have everything in place to ask the USDA for larger sums of money for next steps.

Dr. Pillers stated that once the prefeasibility study is completed, it will be turned over to the Town of Tonopah for review. But, the Hospital Board will be a critical member and the Hospital Board will have input on the path forward.

Trustee Link asked if the monies obtained after this project could be used for a new facility or to renovate the existing structure.

Dr. Pillers said that it could go either way. This project will determine the most cost-effective path forward.

Trustee Greber asked when the prefeasibility study becomes action.

Dr. Pillers explained that the term is just semantics.

Item #9, No Action – Update on active Tonopah Urgent Care initiative, presented by Ms. Quennie Manuel of Medical Billing of Southern Nevada representing her team at JML Holdings of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Ms. Manuel announced plans to open an urgent care in Tonopah operating Monday through Saturday,

though if Sunday hours are needed they will be open Sunday as well. The hours will be from 9:00AM to 7:00PM, though they will be able to extend hours to 9:00PM if community needs demand. She said they will operate here as an urgent care. They are currently operating an urgent care and pain management clinic in Las Vegas that has been open for 15 years. She stated that they do everything from laceration repair to temporary casting, ear lavage, IV therapy and general walk-ins. The provider in Tonopah will be Dr. Humberto Rodriguez, who worked for USC for 30 years, and is now working independently with their urgent care in Las Vegas.

Ms. Manuel went on to detail the locations they've scouted around town. She said they looked at the old DMV building, but that building is too small for them to function as an urgent care. She said they also looked at a building behind the Shell Station, but that building needs too much work. They've also contacted a relator about Sand Grass Plaza but haven't gotten a response. She said they did all of this before they realized that they could look at the hospital campus.

Ms. Manuel said they took a tour of the campus a few weeks ago and are able to go in there and start seeing patients. She stated that a lot of the equipment and fixtures there are old, but they are things that a hospital would require, as an urgent care, they would not need those things, so they aren't an issue. She said they toured the facility with Kay Shields, a contractor, and an architect who both confirmed that they could walk in and start seeing patients.

Ms. Manuel stated that they would be accepting all insurances including Medicare, Medicaid, AETNA, Blue Cross, Sierra Health and Life and Senior Dimensions. She said that she's contacted all of them already and been told it will be no problem. The first step is finding a location.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked if Ms. Manuel realized that Renown Health is currently operating an urgent care across the street from the hospital building, and that Renown has the lease for the entire campus currently.

Ms. Manuel said that what they were planning on doing was to put a doctor here physically to work alongside Renown Health and other healthcare currently available in the area.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked Ms. Manuel if she'd gotten in touch with Renown Health.

Ms. Manuel responded that she had not. She then stated that their goal is to treat patients and work alongside what other services we currently have, not to take over other businesses.

Chairman Eason asked if the urgent care would take appointments or just walk-in visits.

Ms. Manuel responded that they are able to take both. She also said they are looking at bringing in specialty doctors on an as needed basis, maybe once per month for things like orthopedic care. Necessary surgeries would not be an option at this facility.

Trustee Greber asked Ms. Manuel to detail the experiences of the rest of her group.

Ms. Manuel said that Dr. Bryan Lei works in pain management. He has one main location and six satellite locations. Of JML Holdings of Las Vegas, she said they have one main location in Henderson and twelve satellites. She also stated that the satellite offices do not function at the same capacity as the hub location.

Ms. Manuel said that they are working with the School of Medicine in Las Vegas to see if their interns can work at their locations in Henderson and also perhaps rotate through the facility they plan to open in Tonopah.

Trustee Link asked if Ms. Manuel had any thoughts about long term expansion in Tonopah.

Ms. Manuel said that she doesn't know what the town needs yet, but if something is needed, they will be

able to offer it.

Trustee Greber said that early on, there was talk about receiving transport and some communication about the protocols and asked if Ms. Manuel's facility would be open to stabilizing transports, or what they would need to be able to do that.

Ms. Manuel replied that they would absolutely be able to stabilize them. She said that they are already doing a lot of that at their location in Henderson, and this could be verified on their website.

Trustee Greber asked in further detail, if Ms. Manuel's facility would be able to receive transports from REMSA and EMS.

Ms. Manuel replied that they would be able to triage them, yes. She also said that they would have to see how much of this came through the doors. If it became frequent enough to justify an emergency room, they would move up to that level.

Trustee Link said that as a member of the EMS, she liked that idea. She also asked if Ms. Manuel was affiliated with any group offering home healthcare.

Ms. Manuel replied in the negative. She stated that all of her partners are doctors.

Chairman Eason asked if the doctor would be present all six days per week that they plan to be open.

Ms. Manuel responded yes, she and the doctor would be present all six days until everything is running smoothly.

Chairman Eason then asked if Ms. Manuel's group utilized physician's assistants or advanced nurse practitioners.

Ms. Manuel said that the do.

Trustee Greber asked Ms. Manuel to describe the staffing model they plan to use to staff a facility in Tonopah six days a week.

Ms. Manuel said that they will start with Dr. Rodrigues and simultaneously train a nurse practitioner or physician's assistant to be here. She said they will have a provider, physically here, six days a week, for the duration of their time here, and this would be the agreement they would have with the insurance companies.

Trustee Greber stated that to start, the group would bring everything they needed to operate with a long term goal being to hire local people who are certified to perform these duties.

Ms. Manuel agreed.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked if Ms. Manuel was looking for financial aid from the Hospital District at all.

Ms. Manuel said that they were not looking for financial aid. She said that her group is structured with partners that are able to support it financially. She also said that her investor isn't interested in any of these other locations they've looked at because they all require so much work for what will likely be a temporary location. They anticipate the needs being sufficient enough to open a hospital.

Trustee Greber asked if there were other models that they were considering aside from the hospital proper.

Ms. Manuel said that she did not anticipate the red tape with that building. She stated that Kay Shields said the only issue there right now is that the bathrooms are not ADA compliant, but she didn't think that would

be an obstacle.

Trustee Greber asked if their group has discussed bringing in modular units.

Ms. Manuel said that they had not but would be open to it.

Trustee Link said that one thing that might be problematic is the shortage of living space and asked what their plan was to accommodate living quarters for staff.

Ms. Manuel joked that they would stay at the Clown Motel if need be.

Trustee Greber asked if they knew how many staff would need housing.

Ms. Manuel said that they hope to hire front office staff and a medical assistant locally, that wouldn't need lodging. The only staff that would require lodging are the physician and herself.

Trustee Greber asked if they had any timeframe for deliverables.

Ms. Manuel said that it is totally dependent on the availability of the hospital building.

Chairman Eason asked if Ms. Manuel's group would be willing to collaborate with Renown.

Ms. Manuel replied that they absolutely would be.

Trustee Greber asked Gary Beck, Director of Rural Health Services for Renown, to come forward and describe the use of Renown Telehealth at Mount Grant Hospital in Hawthorne. She said she'd heard it was a success.

Gary said that with regard to the telehealth program it is only with specialists in Reno that are both employed and not employed with Renown, similar to operations in Tonopah, and this was implemented in Hawthorne in October of 2017.

Dr. Pillers asked Ms. Manuel how much analysis her group has put into looking at the patient load and the financial viability of their effort.

Ms. Manuel said that it was a question that one of her investors asked. Ms. Manuel said that she's already looked at reimbursement with the insurance companies, and she will be able to negotiate that. She that it is automatically a higher reimbursement due to the rural location. She said they are projecting about 30 patients per day, minimum of 25, and they would be financially sound.

Vice-Chair Clifford stated that hitting those marks would take all of Renown's patients.

Ms. Manuel asked if Renown and Nurse Practitioner Peterson accepted all insurances. She expressed that she thought that her group would take the patients whose insurances aren't accepted by either of those parties. She also said that specific services such as laceration repair, that neither Renown nor Peterson currently offer, would be offered at her facility.

Vice-Chair Clifford stated that once the new Physician's Assistant starts at Renown, laceration repair will be available there, services will be increasing. She said that she sees a conflict with Ms. Manuel's group setting up an urgent care across the street from an already operational urgent care, with plans for expanding services.

Trustee Greber said that with all due respect to Renown Health and to the incoming Physician's Assistant, Renown's representative told the board tonight that they didn't know what the PA would actually be able to

do. They don't know what skills she's bringing to the table, so talk of expanded services is still a projection and an uncertainty. She also touched on the limited service hours the PA will be offering.

Chairman Eason expressed that an emergency facility is much more needed than another urgent or primary care facility.

Ms. Manuel said that if the need is for an emergency facility, then that is what they will provide.

Trustee Link said that she went to Marie Peterson for her Emergency Medical Technician physical recently, and she asked Marie if she saw a conflict with Ms. Manuel's group coming in. It was Trustee Link's assertion that Marie didn't see a conflict. She also stated that there is a gold mining company set to open a project with full time staff of 150, meaning 150 families needing care in the Goldfield area.

Chairman Eason also told Ms. Manuel about Interstate 11, and the higher traffic volumes that will result in.

Ms. Manuel said that with this influx of patients, her group would surely not be hurting another business.

Trustee Greber said that the presence of an M.D. and acceptance of a wide array of insurance companies would have the greatest impact on the community.

Trustee Link said that having the protocols in place to be able to accept ambulance transports is very important to her.

Dr. Pillers asked Ms. Manuel if her group would consider developing a 24-hour model. He said not necessarily staffing 24-hours, but perhaps implementing a paging system.

Ms. Manuel said that if they were to consider opening an emergency room, it would have to be open 24-hours with the physician present.

Trustee Link explained our limited access to pharmaceuticals and asked if Ms. Manuel's group could help in that area as well.

Ms. Manuel said that they would have their own pharmacy, with no narcotics. Unless there was a great need, as they come with much stricter rules.

Horace Carlyle said that the board needs to review the minutes of the BoCC meeting when the Hospital District was created. The board needs to see what the conditions were. He said there is not transparency, there is much that is opaque. He said that there are federal agreements that the County agreed to in their settlement and reorganization. He said the board needs to find out if those agreements are still in force, he believes they are. He said that he doesn't think the bankruptcy Nye County was dealing with has been discharged. He said that based on his understanding, Nye County is committed to operate a hospital here. He said what Nye County did to get around this, was having NRS 450 rewritten to allow them to contract with an out-of-county hospital. He said that he isn't opposed to the clinic, but he is worried that tax dollars could revert to paying creditors from the bankruptcy. He cautioned the board to watch for pitfalls and trip wires.

Chairman Eason said that the Board needs to move forward and try to provide the best care possible. He said that he hoped to get all healthcare providers together to work in cooperative manner to provide the greatest array of services possible.

Item #10, For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or deny entering into a professional services agreement with Biowerx Consulting, LLC.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman asked if Dr. Pillers had had a chance to review the rewritten contract.

Dr. Pillers responded that he had. He expressed that he built his original contract on a template that he had been sent by someone other than a board member. Upon reviewing the rewritten contract, he saw that there wasn't much of that template left.

He said that one main difference was the amount of insurance coverage the board was requiring. He asked if the board would pay the difference between what he would normally carry and what the board is requesting now. He also said there was a small change in the way the retainer fee was applied, but he was okay with that change, though it wasn't ideal. He said that his goal is to get started and doesn't want to drag this out. He said that the contract currently shows the date of October 31st and asked what needed to be done to get started right away.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman said not to get hung up on the date, it could be adjusted in the motion.

Chairman Eason stated that the format of this contract came from the District's lawyer and is the standard used by the State of Nevada.

Dr. Pillers also said that the board would need to choose between the payment structures he proposed.

Trustee Greber expressed that payment structure A was the option she preferred. She also said that the insurance schedule seemed excessive and burdensome to her, and not necessarily linked to the deliverables or the process the District was contracting.

Chairman Eason explained that the insurance schedule is standard. If there was to be a serious accident, it would be an exposure to the Board and its finances. This schedule is supported by the District's attorney and is standard for the State of Nevada.

Trustee Greber asked Dr. Pillers if his accepting the terms of the contract was contingent on the District sharing in the costs of the insurance.

Dr. Pillers said that it was not.

Chairman Eason said that he could review the insurance schedule with the attorney, but that it was fairly standard. He said he would see it as excessive for an individual to require, but not for a public agency. He said it was up to the Board to decide, but we don't have any dollar figures to consider at this time.

Dr. Pillers asked if action wasn't taken tonight, could it be worked over and decided before the next regular meeting.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman said that the question of whether or not the District would share in the costs of the insurance schedule would require board action. He also said that a subcommittee could be created to work on this issue, but it would have to be brought back before the Board for final determination.

Dr. Pillers asked if the contract could be approved as is tonight and amended later.

Chairman Eason said since amendments are allowed in the contract, it could be renegotiated after approval. He then asked if Dr. Pillers saw any conflict with Renown in the services contained in his proposed contract.

Dr. Pillers responded that he did not. He said that Renown recommended him for this position, and that he is not an employee of Renown's. He sees no conflict or duplication of efforts.

Chairman Eason asked if Dr. Pillers understood that Mr. Gillis from Renown was very concerned about a conflict and duplication of efforts.

Dr. Pillers responded that he was very much aware of Kirk's feelings as Kirk had very adamantly expressed them to him directly.

Trustee Greber made a motion to enter into the professional services agreement with Pillers Consulting, LLC DBA Biowerx Consulting, with the understanding that the amendment clause has been identified and both parties agree to address the intricacies of section 14 related to insurance coverage, with an effective date of October 25th, 2018.

Trustee Link offered her second.

Chairman Eason said that he would like to let the effective date of the contract be up to the attorney.

Trustee Greber asked Assistant County Manager Lorina Dellinger to weigh in.

Lorina stated that the date upon which the board approves the contract will be the effective date.

Chairman Eason accepted Lorina's comments, and asked Trustee Greber to clarify her motion.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman also asked Trustee Greber to clarify her motion and to identify a payment structure.

Trustee Greber restated her motion to enter into the professional services agreement as stated with Pillers Consulting LLC, DBA Biowerx Consulting selecting fee structure A carrying a monthly fee of \$12,000.00, with an effective date of October 25th, 2018 and a term of 24 months.

Trustee Link maintained her second.

Motion passed 5-0.

Item #11, For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or deny an amendment to the current Memo of Understanding between the County of Nye and the Northern Nye County Hospital District to include Nye County Human Resources Department and benefits administration resources.

Trustee Greber provided some background on the item. This amendment would allow for the stated services to be provided by Nye County if the District chose to hire an employee and offer them PERS and benefits. She stated that she worked on this amendment with Nye County Human Resources and Administration.

Trustee Greber motioned to approve the amendment.

Trustee Link offered her second.

Motion passed 5-0.

Item #12, For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation of forms and draft employee policy, including discussion about compensation plan in order to approve, amend and approve or deny Administrative Assistant job description and finalize posting to advertise position.

Trustee Greber provided background on this item. She explained that these are also necessary steps developed in conjunction with Nye County Human Resources and Administration, for the District to move forward with hiring an employee. Trustee Greber said that the goal is to identify a location in a County owned building for an employee of the District to work. Such a space has yet to be identified. Karmin also stated that the job description does allow for working remotely.

Vice-Chair Clifford stated that the job description being proposed is exactly the same as Nye County's job description for this same job title, and most of the line item duties aren't applicable. She also asked at what grade and step this person would begin work.

Trustee Greber wasn't aware of the grade or step.

Vice-Chair Clifford said that Nye County's job descriptions match up to grades and steps that determine wage. She asked Karmin if her job description matched up to the \$19.00 hourly wage she was proposing.

Trustee Greber said that it did, and that this proposal was supported by Nye County Human Resources. She stated that the pay scale goes from \$19.00 to \$20.19.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman explained that County jobs are assigned a grade and each grade has eight steps. These steps allow for an annual increase in pay to the employee pending a performance evaluation. Knowing this information is the only way to accurately know the true cost of an employee over time. He also explained that these pay scales are negotiated by bargaining units and asked whether this person would be represented by such a unit or not.

Trustee Greber said that this employee would not be a County employee.

Chairman Eason asked if there was some interlocal agreement that would need to be considered first.

Assistant County Manager Dellinger stated that the Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding that the board just approved was sufficient.

Vice-Chair Clifford maintained that the list of duties was too large, it was her position that there was going to be very little work for this person to do.

Chairman Eason asked if he could assign a subcommittee of three members to work on this and bring it back to the next meeting.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman advised that he could designate two members to work on it.

Chairman Eason assigned Vice-Chair Clifford and Trustee Greber to work on the forms and bring it back to the November meeting.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman suggested that they both sit down with the Nye County Human Resources Director before the next meeting.

Item #13, For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or deny a Letter of Support to the Nye County Board of County Commissioners suggesting the timeliness of renegotiating the current lease agreement in effect for hospital campus between Nye County and Renown Medical Group.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked if the purpose of this letter was specifically to allow Ms. Manuel's group to come in.

Trustee Greber said no. It was born directly of Krik Gillis's proposal for a multitenant medical facility, intended to fill gaps in care that Renown Health identified themselves at a previous meeting.

Trustee Link referenced comments Mr. Gillis had made about Renown Health not wanting to be in the real estate business and having no intention of expanding services to allow for a hospital.

Chairman Eason expressed his opinion that the District was in no position to spend money on the existing campus, as the Hospital District does not have an interest in it. He also stated that the Board had just contracted with a consultant with Dr. Pillers' contract. He asked that the board consider tabling this item and making researching this letter the first task assigned to Dr. Pillers.

Trustee Greber asked Assistant County Manager Dellinger to explain what will happen next if this letter was approved today.

Assistant County Manager Dellinger stated that it would simply go to the Commissioners asking them to try to open negotiations with Renown Health. No direct action would be taken on the lease agreement with

the approval of this letter.

Chairman Eason was concerned about the letter coming as an affront to Renown, being sent without warning or explanation.

Chairman Eason tabled the item, expressing intentions to review with Dr. Pillers and review the minutes from the previous meeting containing Kirk's presentation.

Item #14, No Action – Update on fiscal year 2018/2019 expenditures and revenues.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman provided background. He stated that the District's budget hasn't been committed and he doesn't know why. He said that the reports he provided show all expenditures made and all revenues received, but the original dollar amounts set as budget and target for revenue haven't been entered by the Comptroller's Office. He stated that without these numbers, the reports don't show if the District is within budget and on target, but he stated that everything was fine. He had already contacted the Comptroller's Office about the issue and it was being resolved.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked Assistant County Manager Dellinger if she could review the Treasurer's Reports.

Assistant County Manager Dellinger said that the budget had been submitted to the State and we are compliant with the Department of Taxation; the budget just hasn't been set in the County's financial system.

Item #15, For Possible Action – Approval of invoices for payment.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman took the board through the invoices.

Vice-Chair Clifford asked about the two invoices from Renown.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman said that Renown had failed to submit their June invoice, and this was a catch-up month for them.

Vice-Chair Clifford motioned to approve the invoices.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman offered his second.

The motions passed 5-0.

Item #16, For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to set the next meeting location, time and date.

Secretary / Treasurer Zimmerman said that November 15th was the next third Thursday. There were no objections. He motioned to set the next meeting location, date and time as November 15th, 2018 at 6:00PM in the Commissioner's Chambers.

Trustee Link offered her second.

Motion passed 5-0.

Item #17, General Public Comment (second)

Michael Lach said that he wasn't sure which item the board was on when it was said that the board can't invest money into a property that they don't own, but North Tonopah Development owns property here on Radar Road and would be willing to donate up to five acres of land if the Board ever wanted to build a hospital. He said he wants to do anything he can to help get healthcare here in Nye County. He said they own both sides of Radar Road starting at the courthouse

and going down. He said if the Board wanted to keep it in Nye County, the top portion, closer to the courthouse, is in Nye County.

Kirk Greber said that throughout several conversations he's had with Board Members and town residents, his thought was that Renown would want to expand services and hours of operations, but they've been here for several years now and haven't. Now we have another entity, and everyone is worried about Renown moving out, when they have had the opportunity to expand and obviously felt that it wasn't a good move. He commended Ms. Manuel's group for expressing a desire to move in, start offering more services than Renown with expanded hours, and not ask for money to do it. He said a co-worker of his recently had a heart attack and that it took him hours to get to Reno, and he doesn't want to ever be in the position where no one is able to administer a drug to save his life or his wife's life, or any of his friend's lives.

Item #18, Announcements (second)

None.

Item #19, Adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned.

ADJOURN

Approved this 20th day of December 2018.


Chair