# Johnson County Rural Health Care District

#### Minutes

### **Special Meeting**

April 2, 2020

A special meeting of the Johnson County Rural Health Care District was held via Zoom meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020. The meeting began at 4:05 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Marilyn Connolly. Present were Marilyn Connolly, Bob McBride, Scott McBride, Mark Haines, Jim Hicks, Dr. Mark Schueler, Rob Coda, Jerry Osborn, Kelli Wilson, Shane Schrader, Commissioner Novotny, Donna Nelson, Katie Foust, Kate Harness, Tom Newell, Jeff Cope, Dennis Thorson, Shawn Sullivan, Jill Wright, Michelle Chapman, Mark Bentley, Steve Freudenthal, Dave Harness and Karri White. A quorum was present.

### I. DRAFT CONTRACT FROM RHCD:

A proposed contract between RHCD and Buffalo EMS was presented. Jim Hicks made a motion to approve the contract and present it to Buffalo EMS without a dollar amount for payment of services. There was discussion what the amount would be and suggested waiting to get an idea what revenues might be with increased rates and further discussion on expenses. Mark Haines stated the contract was written with a one-year term as recommended by Attorney Barry Crago. Scott McBride suggested the Board sit down and discuss the contract presented by Buffalo EMS and negotiate. Jim Hicks called for question. Seconded by Mark Haines. Jim Hicks and Mark Haines voted in favor. Scott McBride and Bob McBride voted against. President Connolly voted in favor. Motion passed.

### II. SPREADSHEETS FROM JIM HICKS

Jim Hicks did not want to present the spreadsheets as there were corrections and updates that needed to be made.

## III. DRAFT CONTRACT FROM BUFFALO EMS:

Dave Harness read a letter dated March 21, 2020 regarding the proposed contract from Buffalo EMS. The letter outlined how Buffalo EMS is willing to work in collaboration with the RHCD to determine the best areas in which to cut funding and increase revenue. The letter included a financial picture for the coming fiscal year.

#### IV. LITIGATION HOLD:

Marilyn read a letter from Steve Freudenthal requesting a litigation hold on Board documents and records with respect to the contract. When prompted by Marilyn Connolly, Barry Crago commented this was a standard request. Steve Freudenthal agreed this was standard practice.

## V. LETTER TO RHCD FROM STEVE FREUDENTHAL:

A letter regarding the contract proposal from Buffalo EMS dated March 21, 2020 from Steve Freudenthal was discussed. The letter outlined changes that were made due to the recommendations in the recently completed "Assessment of Emergency Medical Services in Johnson County Wyoming." He stated, "Buffalo EMS strongly desires to continue this "creative and innovative model" in order to provide the Johnson County community with high quality emergency services and looks forward to prompt negotiations on this matter."

Mark Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Seconded by Scott McBride. Approved by all.

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Treasurer	

Next regular board meeting: April 13, 2020 - 5:00 p.m. - Zoom Meeting

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