

**REGULAR MEETING OF
CLINTON HOSPITAL AUTHORITY MINUTES
Wednesday September 11, 2024, 12:00PM**

A Special Meeting of the Trustees of the Clinton Hospital Authority of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma was held in the Weichel Conference Room of the Clinton Regional Hospital on Wednesday September 11, 2024, at 12:00pm. A notice of this agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Clinton City Hall on September 9, 2024 at 11:00 A.M.

Members: Ken Baker, Chris Jones, Kelly Cornell, Kevin Wolters, Tyler Bridges(absent), Ernie Dowdell, *Ex Officio(absent)*

Chief Executive Officer: Len Lacefield

City Manager: Robert Johnston(absent)

Secretary/Clerk: Amy Jones

Others: Chasity Richardson, Brendan Price RN, Brenda Jennings RN, Stephanie Bustos, Rachel Owens, Janice Merrill, Cris Hickerson, Debra Blanchard, and others

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kenneth Baker called meeting to order at 12:03pm

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. Approval of August 28, 2024, Special Meeting

The Consent Agenda items were presented for review and approval.

Motion was made by Trustee Kevin Wolters and seconded by Chris Jones to approve the Consent Agenda.

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:

Aye: Kevin Wolters, Chris Jones, Kelly Cornell, Ken Baker

Nay: none

Chairman declared the motion carried.

III. BUSINESS ITEMS (Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding):

A. Administrative reports:

1. Executive Report:

Mr. Lacefield gave an Executive Report reviewing the first item regarding the smooth transition from Trubridge to Rachel Ownes (Intelligent Health Tech) of the billing of claims. It is noteworthy that the anticipation of any significant uptick in revenue collected is projected during weeks 3 and 4 of this month. From there, this should start an upward trend on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis. Our average charge volume by day, month and year-to-date perspective, provides predictability that we should see a consistency of revenue near \$800,000 - \$900,000 per month. While this provides enough funds to cover

the current cost of goods sold, it will not provide funds for growth. Rachel Owens with Intelligent Health Tech states all old and new billed claims have been billed out. We are still holding some professional fee of BCBS once we get them certified then we will be able to bill them. She also states that there had been some software issues between her system and TruBridge of claims crossing over and they have had to manually key in claims. Mr. Lacefield also spoke about the Blue Cross and Blue shield Part B that we are still in the process of credentialing. He also gave an update regarding School Telehealth with Clinton, Arapaho and Taloga Public Schools that we are in process of training staff and providers for the Clinton Public Schools and go live date is set for October 1, 2024, once that is in place we will start with the other two schools. We would also like to add Community and Business Telehealth program services to the public once we get through the school systems. Finally, we are still working with REH (Rural Emergency Hospital) reviewing our Financial and the impact from a “before and after” look at the possible implementation of a REH designation, it was clear that the core data that REH – “Mathematica,” their third-party analytic consultant, used was not providing an accurate picture. However, by gently interpreting their data with bias, we would not benefit in the long run from making this decision. It is yet to be fully determined if this is true but earlier data indicated it may not prove to be the best choice. We are awaiting a more accurate forecast.

Motion was made by Trustee Chris Jones and seconded by Kevin Wolters to approve Executive Report

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:

Aye: Chris Jones, Kevin Wolters, Kelly Cornell, Ken Baker

Nay: none

Chairman declared the motion carried.

B. Request to approve a Draw for the line of Credit in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the City of Clinton

Chairman Baker presented the request to approve a draw for the line of Credit in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the City of Clinton. Len Lacefield, CEO, spoke to the Trustees regarding need for the draw to cover the current expenditure and payroll.

Motion was made by Trustee Kevin Wolters and Second by Chris Joens to approve the Draw for the line of Credit in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the City of Clinton

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:

Aye: Kevin Wolters, Chris Jones, Kelly Cornell

Nay: none

Chairman declared the motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Financial Statement-

Len Lacefield provided the financial report of the Hospital Financial Report with Profit and Loss.

Motion was made by Trustee Chris Jones and Second by Kevin Wolters to approve Hospital Financial Report with Profit and Loss

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:
Aye: Chris Jones, Kevin Wolters, Kelly Cornell, Ken Baker
Nay: none
Chairman declared the motion carried.

B. Invoices to be paid.

Len Lacefield asked to approve outstanding invoices 31 days and older

Motion was made by Trustee Chris Jones and Second by Kevin Wolters to approve to pay outstanding invoices to be paid 31days and older

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:
Aye: Chris Jones, Kevin Wolters, Kelly Cornell
Nay: none
Chairman declared the motion carried.

V. New Business (If any, as authorized pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.)

None presented.

VI. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Kevin Wolters and Second by Chris Jones to Adjourn.

Chairman Kenneth Baker put in motion roll call vote:
Aye: Kevin Wolters, Chris Jones, Kelly Cornell
Naye: None
Chairman declared the motion carried.

Chairman declared the motion carried and meeting adjourned at 12:39 pm

Date Approved

Kenneth L. Baker, Chairman

