

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 28rd OF OCTOBER 2020 AT 608 HEBER AVE. CALEXICO, CA. CITY OF CALEXICO ON THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

TO CALL ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:35p.m. by Rodolfo Valdez and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

Chairperson	Rodolfo Valdez
Vice Chairperson	Gloria Grijalva
Chief Financial	Norma M. Apodaca
Trustee	Gloria Romo

GUESTS:

Tomas Virgen-Executive District Manager
Tony Pimentel-Public Relations

PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE

Hector Martinez-Secretary
Eduardo Rivera-Attorney
Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Rivera asked to consider adding on the agenda closed session with not action to be taken as an emergency. Something came up yesterday that might be potential litigation and it would be good idea to place on the agenda the closed session.

Motion was made by Board Member Romo second by Board Member Apodaca to approve adding closed session with no action to be taken. Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Apodaca, Martinez, Romo
NOES: None

Motion was made by Board Member Romo second by Board Member Apodaca to approve the agenda for October 28, 2020. Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Apodaca, Martinez, Romo
NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

None

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and seconded by Board Member Romo to approve the minutes for September 9, 2020, September 18, 2020 and September 23, 2020. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Martínez, Apodaca, Romo

NOES: None

REPORTS ON MEETING AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECTOR ATTENDANCE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Board Member Romo would like to congratulate the Mrs. Grijalvas Birthday and under the circumstance we cannot celebrate and she would also like to congratulate Mrs. Apodaca for her upcoming Birthday.

REPORTS BY ALL HMHD COMMITTEES

Mr. Virgen reported that Mrs. Valdez and Mr. Pimentel as part of the planning committee met to receive the bids for the 400 Mary project. The agenda committee has met as well and we will discuss those later.

COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported that he was here the day of the openings for 400 Mary and we had a video that is on the website if anyone would like to see it. Also the office bids commercial is running on Univision. He sent a press release to all the media that we are open.

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT MANAGER:

Mr. Virgen reported that our membership for ACHD is due and wanted to let the board know that it's in the range to approve and he will be approving it and we are going to get a new board member on board and that we can get access to the webinar and he will be sending out the rest of the information.

We did have some bids come in for 400 Mary project. We are having some people stay at the site and he will be meeting the police department and we are working on contracting some short term security. We are working on getting estimates on the security but he is still going to consult with the police department to see what we can do. He will keep the board updated.

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

Mr. Rivera reported that attended the LAFCO meeting last Thursday. He reported that after the IID item was done everyone else left and it was just him and some audience but no one showed up concerning the submittal. This document was prepared by someone anonymous. Basically what the paper work was a duplication request of public information that was submitted to the district by Maritza Hurtado. We gave Maritza all the documents that were requested under a public records act of request and all of those documents showed up with the request that was submitted to LAFCO and it was a very personalized document basically criticizing Mr. Virgen to be very blunt about it. Mr. Hueberger needed to review it and distributed to the board and did say it was anonymous but he had a good idea as to who had submitted the report. Mr. Hueberger said that he was going to talk to Mr. Virgen concerning the document and that

was the end of the item. It was asked if the item was going to be brought back to the LAFCO board and Mr. Hueberger did advice that after he has had a chance to talk to Mr. Virgen and gives him a chance to review the document and so forth he will bring back again to the board and we will receive a notice of that.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and/or Action on the County of Imperial's AAA "meals on wheels" ratification of agreement.
 - a. Discussion and/or action on request for designation by AAA "meals on wheels" funding provided by HMHD-Application of HMHD stickers on meal boxes.

Mr. Virgen reported that AAA has agreed to our request and has put in the agreement and Mr. Rivera has had a chance to review it. Mr. Rivera reported that the agreement is ready to be signed. His recommendation is to go ahead and formalize the agreement and sign it. Now one of the questions you have to take into account is the fact that you adopted this agreement back in late June or early July and the action you took was for one year so the agreement for one year including weekends and now you have to act on that because your prior action was subject to an agreement being prepared. It is prepared and it's for one year and that is the decision you have to take. Now if you agree to it Mr. Rivera recommends that the board make certain requirements and they will be provided to them in writing and number one is the board is provided with menu's each month of the one year agreement including the weekend. They have provided the October menu but not yet the November but the October menu they have left out weekend menus. We do not know what food is being delivered on the weekends. Number two we need to add an opportunity to see and taste the meals that are being delivered to the seniors. That way we know what is being served and specifically what is being served on the weekends. We did receive a complaint that they got a hot dog and that is why the board needs to be aware of what is being served but that is your decision. The very last request was that we held a meeting over at Rosa's Plain Food and she advised us that her participation was about 139 under the Catholic Charities, AAA and County of Imperial programs was going to be terminated in mid-October. But Mr. Rivera heard that was not the case but he thinks that you as the board now extending the contract with AAA should at least get a report telling us the status of the other programs that are being delivered to the other residence of the district. Those are his only points.

Mrs. Blankenship from AAA thanked the board for supporting the program for the last three years. The program has been running successfully for the last 30 years. Through the support of the board the last three years they have been able to feed approximately 39 seniors ongoing basis monthly. When this pandemic started AAA came to the board requesting for help to fund these 39 seniors' meals on the weekend. The board was very supportive and since then they were able to do so. Since April they have been providing the 7 meals per week using Catholic Charities and they have spoken to Catholic Charities to provide the menu including the 7 days and that was provided last week by her staff to general counsel and to Mr. Virgen. For now on Catholic Charities knows that they need provide the monthly menu for the entire month to the board and she will ensure that, that gets done. What was happening was that the weekend meals the seniors were receiving one hot meal and either two frozen meals or two sack lunches that is being referred too. Now we are going to be able to monitor closely what those weekend meals are. Something to consider with the board is that we do have options and if the board is not satisfied with the meals that are currently being provided by Catholic Charities they can

certainly have those meals be provided by moms meals which are seven days a week and which a little more flexible in providing the dietary requirements depending on each senior. People that receive these meals are very satisfied and indicate that the food that they receive is fresh, nutritious and say it is a lot of food. The seniors get really about it but the only problem is that because it is so much food and it is every two weeks they tend to have problems of where to storage it. The other option is going through Rosa's Plain Food. They are currently meeting all the dietary guidelines.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Romo to approve ratifying the agreement with AAA "meals on wheels". Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Apodaca, Martinez, Romo

NOES: None

- b. Discussion and/or action on status of County of Imperial AAA "meals on wheels" existing program in Calexico.

Mrs. Blankenship informed that board that it is something that they can do but the stickers will need to be provided by the board. Mr. Valdez did inform her that they had already thought of that and we already have the stickers. She will take the stickers and place them on the orders.

2. Discussion and/or Action: Organization of Health Fair/Influenza Shot event with Imperial County Health Department and the City of Calexico.

Mr. Virgen reported that he is just waiting for a response back from the person in charge of the flu clinics and once we have that we can approve that and start working on that.

3. Discussion and/or action on security services for 400 Mary Ave.

This item was already discussed under Executive District Manager comments.

4. Discussion and/or action on HMHD flu shot voucher program with local providers.

Mr. Virgen informed the board that the intention for this is for those who are low funded to get the vaccine because there are people here who cannot afford the vaccine. He is going to put this together and bring back to the board.

5. Discussion and/or action on rescheduling the second meeting of November to a date approved by the board.

This is because our second meeting is the day before Thanksgiving.

The board agreed for the 9th at 6pm and 23rd at 6pm of November.

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve moving the first meeting to Monday the 9th and the second meeting to Monday the 23rd of November at 6pm. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Apodaca, Martinez, Romo
NOES: None

6. Discussion and/or action on the Treasurer Report.

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Grijalva to approve the treasurer report. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Valdez, Grijalva, Apodaca, Martinez, Romo
NOES: None

CLOSED SESSION:

No action taken.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:

400 Mary Ave
Surplus Policy

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Romo made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m.
Second by Board Member Apodaca. All in favor.