

Carroll County Commissioners Meeting

Minutes

February 3, 2010

Public Meeting Minutes

Commissioners: David Sorensen, Chip Albee, Dorothy Solomon

Public: Kathleen Maloney, David Babson, Maureen Spencer, Nate Giarnese

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Sorensen at 9:05 am

1. Commissioner Sorensen went over recent happenings, conference call with Rural Development re: bond for nursing home. Budget meeting with Delegation next Monday. Those on schedule: Attorney, Jail, Conservation district, RSVP, Health and Homecare, Registry of Deeds, UNH Co-op Extension, Human Service/Resources, Commissioners, Administration Building. Following week will be the remainder: Nursing home, Sheriff's Department, Farm, Water, and Sewer. Meeting was late starting due to the conference call.

PUBLIC INPUT

2. David Babson: Concerned with non-public session today, is it for contracts?
3. Commissioner Sorensen: We will be reviewing contracts, which is why our attorney is here.
4. David Babson: Is WMS working for you or for EGA?
5. Commissioner Sorensen: WMS is working for EGA.
6. David Babson: Then why is their contract of importance to you?
7. Commissioner Albee: Ultimately we have to pay it but I do not believe that WMS is here for contract negotiations, going over scope of liability with attorney and who is picking up what.

Closed public Input

1. Will have public again at approximately 10:30 am

Commissioner Albee made motion to go into non-public for discussion of contractual issues with our attorney and EGA, BPS, and Mr. Rines. Also Jason Johnson for personnel issues pursuant to RSA91A; 3 and RSA91A; 5. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sorensen. Commissioners Sorensen, Albee, and Solomon in favor. So voted

Into Non-public at 9:10 am

Commissioner Albee motioned to open public session. Motion seconded by David Sorensen. Commissioners Sorensen, Albee, and Solomon in favor. Public open at 11:25am.

Susan LeClair, Activities MVNH

1. Will be having Spirit Week to get rid of the winter blahs. For Valentine's Day we are planning a lunch for married couples. Bus: Steve looked at difference bus companies. Have some buses coming so we can look at them and see which one we may want and what type of fuel. Have \$10K raised. We take residents out to eat, movies, bowling, shopping. I give them the choice of what they would like to do. There are no vacancies in my department right now. I have three per-diem – 20-24 hrs per week. 4 staff assigned to specific wings – run different programs; church, exercise, cooking, etc. Dinner Club – plan meal, prepare and have a social event. Excited about the new home – a bit anxious – but think it will work out ok.

Sandi McKenzie, MVNH

1. Census is 100 Residents; 4 Medicare, 25 Private, 21 Medicaid, (1 Medical Leave of Absence)
2. Follow up from last week: Nurse call system is now functioning. There was a broken wire on C wing, wire was replaced.
3. Flooring – new building trial. Installed yesterday. Will take a couple of days to cure so the room can be occupied.
4. Liquid Oxygen – Program started on Monday. Education on-going.
5. Electric Inline Hot Water booster – regulation for laundry that water temp is at 160 degrees of greater. This would provide for 20 – 25 degree temperature rise. Provide for 110 gallons per hour. (current usage was 30-60 gallons of water per hour). Quotes: First response Plumbing and Heating with electrical - \$3,025. Brookside Plumbing and Heating - \$9,535. Not immediate but need ASAP. Will wait to see if we get more quotes.
6. Senior Community Service Employment Program: Work with members of the community 55 years of age and older. (6 mos. Paid 4 by this program) ABLE volunteer program. Provides re-entry into the work force. Employment program pays the “volunteer”. 20 hours per week. Opportunities are endless. Host agreement. (agreed and signed by Commissioner Sorensen).
7. Looking at RN call/response systems. Most have the same features: Phillips, ReZcare, Norris
8. Susan LeClair and Jen Cormier attended a meeting yesterday in Conway – “Fund raising”. In April, Susan will be attending another program – “Developing a Volunteer Program.” Fundraising program Feb. and March.
9. Feb/March – Emergency Preparedness; will do practice drills for missing residents, evacuation of all residents, tabletop drills.

Commissioner Albee made motion to accept public minutes from January 27th. Motion seconded by Commissioner Solomon. Commissioners Solomon, Albee, and Sorensen in favor. So voted

Commissioner Albee made motion to go into Public Input. Seconded by Commissioner Sorensen. All in favor

Public Input

1. Kathleen Maloney: Received email from Rep. McConkey on Feb. 1st. He attached letter in regard to ambulance service federal guidelines. Wanted to make sure you had all received it and read it – please respond to him.
 2. Maureen Spencer: Soil samples – did they take pictures of the 10 acres needed without snow on the ground?
 3. Commissioner Sorensen: Need pictures of a different piece, the one we would exchange.
- Mr. Babson asked a question last week in the 2nd paragraph of the minutes “what raised the price of this.” Just an estimate.
4. Commissioner Albee: Just construction cost of building, does not include anything inside. Changes as Building committee makes changes. Theoretically it is still an estimate until bids come in. It could go down, it could go up. Menu of alternates has been established by Building committee. GMP is still what it is, cannot go above that.
 5. Nate Giarnese: Questions on non-public/who attended, what was discussed.

Recap for Nate of how and why easement was done, why money was paid in exchange instead of land swap (photographic inventory, conditions, conservation, etc) Lost revenue, project hold-up, appraisal of property, etc.

6. David Babson: You asked Susan how many people she has working for her. She said she has 3 part-time and 4 full-time. What are you looking for in a bus? You had a misadventure with the van, are you looking for a bus or a van?
7. Commissioner Sorensen: Looking at bus, maybe a van – not necessarily a bus.
8. Commissioner Albee: If they get money that will pay for a bus from donations, then that would be the way to go.
9. Maureen: Where are we with Mr. Bergeron’s proposal?
10. Commissioner Albee: Still pending – needed a description of what this position would be, what the cost covers. Do not want to replicate duties. We are looking into it due to public concern. Explanation of bids/review process. BPS opens bids to check for content/materials, etc. They would have to justify not taking someone’s bid. List of conditions by which they can void a bid. We will see list of bids.

Further discussions of “what if’s” with Mr. Babson. Contingency, Local bidders, making budget work.

11. David Babson: Extensive discussion of boiler project. “Babson’s Theory”. Cost. Grants. Process. Delegation approval.
12. Maureen: How many energy people are you looking at now? (4 right now). Linda Fox Phillips, is she writing grant for pipes? (Yes, must be in by the 15th). What is the tax credit within the community, tax bond VS tax exempt bonds?
13. Commissioner Albee: Like the Build America bonds..instead of tax exempt bonds. Were also talking about Electronic Community Records...mixed up in conversation.

*Commissioner Albee made motion to adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Solomon.
Commissioner Sorensen, Solomon, and Albee in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 12:21pm*

