

**February 27, 2013**

**To: Board of Directors TNH**

**From: John A. Brennan Administrator TNH**

**Subject: Board Meeting Minutes February 26, 2013**

**Attending:**

**Theresa Swartz Chair**

**Deacon Alan Thadeu**

**Steve Linhares**

**Pauline Belleville Taylor RN DNS**

**Excused:**

**Gina Hyde RN**

**Joe Martin**

- 1. The meeting was called to order as a quorum was present.**
- 2. Minutes of the January 22, 2013 meeting were approved.**
- 3. The sign was presented. John will proceed as directed with colors and fonts. John will follow the color pattern for the first and second floors; they are not the same.**
- 4. The new housekeeping vendor is doing well; no interruption in service.**
- 5. The front fence was destroyed by a housekeeper's car during a snowy day. John will remove it in the Spring.**
- 6. The building permits requested by the City are in the City Building Department for review.**

- 7. John will review the generator system as during the storm we had difficulty identifying a RED PLUG for an oxygen concentrator.**
- 8. During the Blizzard TMLP, TDPW, and TEMA were very helpful for TNH operations and John thanks them for their assistance.**
- 9. The BCC dental visit was approved.**
- 10. Pauline was introduced as our new Director of Nursing Services.**
- 11. It was approved for Pauline to attend the MSCO-BU new director of nursing program in April 2013.**
- 12. John will set up a tour of the new kitchen during the next board meeting March 26<sup>th</sup>.**
- 13. John will order table clothes samples for the board's review.**
- 14. John will order curtains and shades for the board's review. John will start in the Sunshine Room.**
- 15. John will investigate the purchase of dining room furniture. The Board Chair is not pleased this has not been done.**
- 16. The Board is still interested in having a grand opening of the dining rooms celebration.**
- 17. Red Sox Opening Day party is April 8<sup>th</sup>.**
- 18. The Board did not endorse the contracting of Dietary Services.**
- 19. The Board directs John to manage within the budget.**
- 20. The Board did not endorse the contracting of Laundry.**
- 21. A letter from the Mayor in support of the Community Garden was presented and discussed.**
- 22. The Board did approve the concept of the Community Garden. John will invite Carol Dougherty to the next board meeting to discuss details such as water, parking, trash, maintenance, and plot size. The board wants to start small for the first year and see how the garden develops.**

- 23. Are there any liability issues? Will there be a contract or agreement with the Community Garden Group and TNH and-or the City of Taunton?**
- 24. The Board wants to be sure the Community Garden is maintained.**
- 25. TNH will have a plot for the residents' use.**
- 26. John will present the FY 2014 budget to the City. Meeting cash expenses with reimbursement cuts to Medicare and Medicaid will be difficult.**
- 27. The Board does not endorse a "zero percent" raise for the employees. However, this is a place to begin negotiations with the unions.**
- 28. John does not have a seat at the bargaining table.**
- 29. Pension expense will increase \$ 60K next year. Health Care insurance expenses will increase too.**
- 30. John is anticipating receiving the CPE cash before June 2013 and will use the free Cash of \$ 241k to fund current year expenses.**
- 31. John did visit Nantucket Nursing Home.**
- 32. The next meeting is March 26, 2013.**
- 33. The meeting was adjourned.**