

September 25, 2013

To: Board of Directors TNH

From: John A. Brennan Administrator TNH

Subject: Board Meeting Minutes September 24, 2013

Attending:

Theresa Swartz Chair

Gina Hyde RN

Deacon Alan Thadeu

Steve Linhares

Joe Martin

Pauline Belleville-Taylor RN DNS

- 1. The meeting was called to order.**
- 2. The minutes of the June 25, 2013 meeting were approved.**
- 3. The driveway has been paved at an expense of \$ 35K; John is negotiating with Gill Enos to have the City DPW pay the invoice.**
- 4. John will remove the broken front fence; John will seek samples for replacement.**
- 5. Mark Sluzarz City Engineer will prepare a plan to move the front sign to the field. The planter will be removed.**
- 6. Mark will draw plans for the flag pole to be placed at the main entrance.**
- 7. BPVT and the City Building Department cannot due the renovations to the old front entrance. John will revisit the Historical Council's approval when the project commences if necessary.**

- 8. CPE of \$ 310K was received; the late Medicaid payment of \$ 149K was received. We shall see how the city posts the cash.**
- 9. Gordon Seekel is almost done with the curtains.**
- 10. Chairs and fabrics were presented; John will research more prior to purchase. Larger tables will be purchased.**
- 11. Linda LeHouillier is retiring in October. The City has agreed to upgrade the job title and pay. John will advertise and post at Johnson & Wales University.**
- 12. John will delay the selection of a Prime Grocer until the new Director of Resident Dietary Services is hired.**
- 13. Leah the social worker is beginning the state program OASIS. This program is designed to reduce the off label use of medications in our population. This is a state wide initiative.**
- 14. John received approval from the Board to pursue the federal DOE grant of \$ 500K for window replacement. This will require Congressional support from Kennedy and Warren. John will review with Mayor Hoye and seek support and approval.**
- 15. With regard to the resident and family who have not paid the invoice and made the complaint against the Administrator's license: the resident passed away at TNH while under hospice care. John has notified the state licensing board. John will meet with City Solicitor Buffington to pursue collection of the \$ 56K invoice. The house in Florida may have been identified; this needs to be researched. It was suggested John contact Barry Amaral for assistance. The lien must be filed; probate status unknown.**
- 16. John continues to research the Boudreau lawsuit. It may be possible for our Boston lawyers to do the work or seek a settlement at less than 33%.**
- 17. John is continuing to pursue Michelle's upgrade.**
- 18. The number one issue facing TNH at this time is the hiring of certified nursing assistants-C.N.A.s.**
- 19. Candidates Day at TNH is October 17th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. All local candidates were invited.**
- 20. Medicare rates have been cut 3%; John will negotiate a reduction in the Rehab contract to reflect this.**

21. John verified we are on NHIC as Medicare Intermediary.
22. John would like to propose the board meeting schedule for the remainder of 2013;

Tuesday October 29th

December 17th-Board Holiday Celebration

23. The meeting was adjourned.