April 1, 2015

To: Board of Directors TNH

From: John A. Brennan Administrator TNH

Subject: Board Meeting Minutes March 31, 2015

Attending:

Theresa Schwartz Chair

Joe Martin

Steve Linhares

Heidi Paquin RN DNS

Excused:

Gina Hyde RN

Deacon Alan Thadeu

- 1. The meeting was called to order as a quorum was present.
- 2. John explained that the meeting notice posting at city hall did not get posted 48 hours prior to the meeting so with the Board's consent this was called an informational meeting. No votes would be taken.
- 3. John discussed the CMS fine for \$ 76,850.00. John has a plan to reduce this fine.
- 4. John is meeting with Senator Markey's staff on April 15th in Boston regarding grants for windows and other environmental-energy facility opportunities to save energy.
- 5. John will contact Bill Stronji at TMLP to discuss solar, possibly to preheat water for laundry. Or roof solar; John will ask Wayne about the grass roof.
- 6. John will meet with Scott Plumb of SCS on the Boudreau recovery.

- 7. Richard Carr CPA has been engaged for our 2014 Medicare Cost Report and CPE filings.
- 8. John is participating in the MASSMap emergency system with all nursing homes in the state.
- 9. John is working with Jason Buffington and Maria Gomes on the RN disciplinary hearing regarding state survey and the medication error. John will have to report to state DPH the outcome of this hearing.
- 10. John will issue RFPs for Pharmacy and Rehabilitation this spring.
- 11. John will issue a new policy on the social security checks and pensions.

 John will investigate RFMS-National Data at the suggestion of the

 Board Chair.
- 12. Red Sox Opening Day is April 13th.
- 13. John introduced MASS in MOTION, a state wide initiative for diet and exercise. TNH is involved with our Community Garden. Carol Doherty will visit the board to request an expansion of the garden this summer. We want the Gazebo and walking path.
- 14. Please note the Boston Globe story on nursing home reimbursement from the state. The state pays \$ 34.00 per day less than cost in its rates. We re-capture some of this underpayment through the CPE.
- 15. Michelle's AIT is approved and underway.
- 16. John has reapplied to the Board of Directors of TSH.
- 17. John has completed his on-line state Conflict of Interest certification.
- 18. John told the board about the overdose-police action in our parking lot. No TNH staff, family, or resident involved. TPD response was swift and professional, as always.
- 19. John will post School Zone signs in the rear of the parking lot to discourage illegal drug activity. The lighting is bright there; John will seek to expand our CCTV coverage in this area.
- 20. John is working with Attorney John Paul Thomas on account collections. Several major accounts involve houses and social security checks taken by sons and daughters.
- 21. For the FY 2016 city budget:
 - a. Pension expense up \$ 28K

- b. Health Care expense up 10.6% or about \$ 100K.
- 22. John will review the list of TNH employees on both lists to be sure we do not have duplication or the wrong employee on our lists.
- 23. TMLP replaced a light pole hit by a visitor. No injury.
- 24. March cash was \$ 656K; John will have Michelle Mercado meet with the Board Chair to discuss monthly collection percentages.
- 25. John will defer discussion of the new QAPI-quality management system until the next meeting.
- 26. John will review the incident of the visitor taking a cell phone picture in TNH of a resident. This relates to a smoking issue with another resident. John will post a notice that forbids the use of cameras inside TNH.
- 27. John sent a letter to the Board and the Mayor as to what our Boston lawyers will do with us in FY 2016.
- 28. TNH will participate in the Senior Tax Write Off Program. This gets us some summer volunteers for Activities and painting.
- 29. A thank you letter was sent to City Clerk Rosie Blackwell for the recommitment wedding ceremony held for our married couples in February.
- 30. John will attend his daughter Kelsey's graduation at the University of Pittsburg at the end of April.
- 31. The next board meeting, with the board's consent, will be held May 12, 2015.