

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 9th OF FEBRUARY 2017 AT THE 601 HEBER AVE, CALEXICO, CA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

TO CALL ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:33p.m. by Sylvia Bernal and Mr. Felix led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

Chairperson	Sylvia Bernal
Vice Chairperson	Gloria G. Romo
Chief Financial	Hector Martinez
Trustee	Norma M. Apodaca
Trustee	Rodolfo Valdez

GUESTS:

Eduardo Rivera- Attorney
Brenda Ryan-Board Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve the agenda for February 9, 2017 Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

Mr. Felix from the Fire Department is here to inform the public on an action the city is planning on doing. For 6 months they have been trying to work with the city and still till this day they have not been able to fix anything or come to an agreement. They are asking to be left alone, not to take anything away and not asking for anything. The city made the decision effective March 16, 2017 to close station 2 and let go of 6 firemen. That will affect our community and that is the reason why he is here because the Board has helped the Fire Department many times and without them the fire department would have what they have now. Mr. Felix is not here representing the Fire Department he is here as a concerned resident that wants to inform the community especially the seniors because this is something that is going to really affect the residents of Calexico. The city says they have no money and that is the reason for the cuts and they understand but they are requesting for the back information to prove what they are saying and they are not presenting the information that is being requested. We are not trying to make the city look bad. We want to work with the city. They have 24 firemen when they are supposed to have about 36 and if they take away those 6 firemen there will only be 18 firemen left with on station. This is why he is here to inform the public and get their support and request for the residents to attend the City Council meetings to express their concerns.

Board Member Bernal expressed her concern as a resident how scary this and how it could affect all of us here and strongly recommends for everyone to attend the City Council meeting to express their concerns because we cannot let this happen.

The City Mayor invites everyone to attend the City Council meetings to express their concerns and to get more information with what is going on in Calexico.

Board Members Valdez request for everyone to talk to family and friends about this concern and attend the City Council meeting to express everyone's concern about this matter

German Flores is here to inform the Board that something is going on with Community Center. There has been complains about people selling liquor and that they treat people bad. Board Member informed Mr. Flores that the Community Center is under the City we only donate funds for the program but are not responsible for the Community Center. All complaints need to be with the City. Also, Sandra Tauler is in charge of the program and any concerns anyone has can speak with her.

Sandra Tauler told Mr. Flores and the public that this is the first she hears about all this and if anyone has any concerns they can go to her office and speak with her about this matter.

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

Board Members Valdez and Martinez met with the fire chief Avila on the ambulance services. They exchanged ideas about how the Board can help with the ambulances. He also attended a Leadership Academy and his personal view he learned a lot about how to behave in meetings and how he can be a better communicator, how to get along and how to make informed decisions towards the person they are trying to help. They also met with Mr. Finely about exercise equipment that is going to be installed in Heber Park and Kennedy Gardens. We chose a place in Heber Park and they are going to start as soon as possible. In Kennedy Gardens they also chose a spot but later on we went to see another spot closer to Espinosa called the Alex River complex and Mr. Finely said he was going to measure both sides to see if it fits and will come back with the information and then they will decide which one is better.

Board Member Martinez also reported that we got the approval of the city insurance so we can host a race and hopefully we can do that before April comes and the heat. Initially it was meant for children but we can do one race for the city or we can divide it up to one race for adults and one for children.

Board Member Romo presented a letter to Board informing them that she had a joint meeting with Mr. Villa and Mr. Finely and what was discussed. They discussed the Wellness Parks. The agreement on the parks is that they would be finished by April 15, 2017 and may be inaugurated. They will also be looking for proposals to put shags and fences on all 5 parks. For the Nosotros Park we need to install a synthetic track that the HMHD bought and donated some time ago. They are going to search for appropriate materials and it is intended to be finished by March 1, 2017. Mr. Villa was also notified for the 2nd time that it was authorized by the Board to purchase and donate the red dirt for the Nosotros Park. It was also discussed in the meeting about the portable defibrillators that were donated to the police department that

have not yet been utilized. Mr. Villa agreed to have information on this item for the out meeting on February 8, 2017. It was also requested to have reports of the Senior Health and Wellness program with the support of the \$35 thousand dollars. Mr. Villa also agreed to have that report for the February 8, 2017 meeting. Mr. Villa was also informed about the complaint made by Mrs. Wong to the Board and according to this complaint Mr. Villa has requested to reinstate as soon as possible the handcraft program and have Mrs. Mary Alvarez coordinate it and the Bingo program will also be reinstated by its former coordinator Mrs. Graciela Gonzalez. They also presented the idea of the Marathon for children in Calexico to Mr. Villa and he was in agreement of this event. The matter of the fire department was also discussed and Board Member Romo informed Mr. Villa that she will be bringing this matter to the Board to discuss and see how the Board can assist with this matter.

Board Member Martinez reported on training they attended in Sacramento. One of the speakers made a really strong case about how we should think as a Board and not just go into the agenda, discuss the items and we approve but actually think strategically. He thinks we should take the time to actually discuss all the items and just what is on the agenda but also any outside items that need to be discussed and get feedback for the people and maybe come to a better agreement.

Board Member Apodaca reported that they attended an event at the Casa de Manana that was for the seniors in our community. It was a great event.

Board Member Bernal reported about the conference in Sacramento and they learned about the brown act, conflict of interest and a lot of things that we can and cannot do. The Board also received a certificate.

COMMETNTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported that they had a press conference on the 24th all the media from the valley was there. IV Press featured us in half a page, Sol Del Valle we have the front page and the Calexico Chronical we were featured in the back. IV Press went live on Facebook on our press conference and 400 people viewed it. He also accompanied Board Member Bernal to meet with El Centro Regional. He also took Board Member Martinez to Univision to do his interview. The interview is already on our website.

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

None

INFORMATION ITEM:

1. Update on 400 Mary Ave.

Board Member Bernal presented a video that was sent by Below Surfing Image on the graphics of the building. They also presented a proposal of \$2,970. We also received another proposal from Green's Construction for the total of \$3,500.00.

Board Member Bernal informed Mr. Rivera that she mad 4 or 5 calls to other companies and some said they don't come out here or the don't have the proper equipment to do the work that needs to be done. We know that we need to get 3 but we were unable to get them. Mr. Rivera advised the Board that they were able to consider the proposals they were able to receive.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Martinez to approve the Below Surfing Image proposal for the amount of \$2,970.00. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- 1 Discussion and/or possible approval of lending the facility to the Imperial Valley Child Asthma Program to host asthma classes.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Romo to wait on this item until they present us with a calendar. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

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

- 2 Discussion and/or possible approval of clarification of approval of El Sol del Valle radio show proposal.

Mr. Felix presented a proposal for advertising on the his radio station for the total amount of \$1,000.00 for one month that includes radio show, frequency mention, value/price, daily sponsor mention, 10 mins per week, weekly HMHD interview with any board member.

Board Member Bernal informed the Board that they are already at their limit with advertisement. She would like to table this item until we start our new physical year which will start in July

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Martinez to table this item for July. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

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

- 3 Discussion and/or possible approval of leasing a van for the use of HMHD only.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to table this for Mr. Martinez to work on the report to present to the board. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

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

- 4 Discussion and/or possible approval of renewing Tony Pimentel/Marketing proposal.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve Tony Pimentel's proposal subject to revision and ratification by the board. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

- 5 Discussion and/or possible approval of purchasing a new copy machine.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Romo to approve leasing the large copy machine for 36 months for the total amount of \$4,428.00. Motion was passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

Lease of the van

CLOSED SESSION:

No action taken in closed session

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Valdez made motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm. Second by Board Member Apodaca. All in favor.