

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 20th OF SEPTEMBER 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 5:32p.m. by Sylvia Bernal and Mr. Favela led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

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

GUESTS:

Eduardo Rivera- Attorney

ABSENT:

Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Castillo asked for item 11a. to be corrected to Presentation by Mr. Castillo Board of Supervisors. Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve amending the agenda September 20, 2017 Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martínez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

Jazmin Garcia volunteers with the Brown Bag Coalition feed the homeless and that made many friends and one in particular is Gilbert Aguilar. He would not leave his home because he thought they would rob him and even to come get food. He would always ask about my academics and my future goals and boyfriend problems, friend things. When he found I wanted to become a doctor he then began to refer to me as the doctora. He always told me that he had visions of me making this a better place because I made his world a better place. Gilbert died of a heat stroke in a parking lot 3 days later after the City Council heard of the need of the homeless fluent center. This is her personal memorial to her friend Gilbert. She thanked the Board for the helping the homeless.

Christine Wong thanked the board for knowing her mother and appreciating her all these years and recognizing what she did for this community.

JOINS IN CELEBRATION AND SUPPORT OF HMHD DURING THE REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY OF CHAVELITYA WONG:

The Board and public spoke and celebrated the memory of Chavelity Wong and what she did for our community.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and seconded by Board Member Martinez to approve the minutes for July 5, 2017, July 10, 2017, July 19, 2017 and July 28, 2017, August 2, 2017, August 11, 2017 and August 16, 2017. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

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

Board Member Romo reported she attended the Council of Mexico in Calexico for the Health Fair in all October and we will be attending the last meeting in Brawley. Today in the morning she attended the other fair organized by the Imperial Valley Medical Clinic and she wishes and congratulates Mrs. Apodaca for the excellent organization of this fair.

Board Member Valdez reported that he had a brief conversation with Mr. Virgin from Yuma Hospital along with the President Mrs. Bernal. He expressed that he maybe want to engage something's in the term of medical with 400 Mary. That will be coming up in future meetings. He also attended the Imperial Valley Medical Clinic Recovery month health fair in El Centro. It was a good fair.

Board Member Bernal reported that she also met with Mr. Virgin. Our future is looking brighter. Yuma Regional Hospital wants to come in and occupy 400 Mary Ave. What we did was just show them the building and they really liked it and want to start right away with phase 1 and hope they have something ready to go by January but he is going to come back and do a formal presentation.

Board Member Valdez has questions on the work that was done. Wanted to know if in the contract it stated was that they were going to cover the opening the floor. Mr. Rivera replied that it was not. If we wanted them to include that it was going to cost more. Also there is a lot of leakage thru the roof. That is something that we need to address as soon as possible. Mostly it is on the side of the garage.

Board Member Bernal reported to the board that they needed to have a special meeting because last night around 6o'clock she finally got all the autotomized statements from the Hilton where the retreat was held. The sent us 64 pages. We stayed here last night till about 9pm making copies. The board will get a copy after the meeting. We need to hold a special meeting because there are things that are not right. She is going to give one example that they put on there. She from the beginning had said she was not going to be attending this trip but yet they booked a room for her and charges were made to her room, charges were made to the gift shop and room services was also charges. Board Member Valdez reported that they did

receive an email by Mrs. Tellechea that she is looking into those charges. Board Member is requesting to have a special meeting after they come back from their trip. They agreed to have a special meeting on October 2, 2017 at 5:30.

COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported that Mr. Valdez, Mrs. Bernal and himself showed the building 400 Mary Ave to Yuma Regional Hospital.

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Presentation by Mr. Castillo Board of Supervisors

Mr. Castillo on behalf of the board he would like to thank the board for the work that they do. We would like to thank you for your service. He is here to speak as a County Supervisor not as a LAFCO Member, although one of his duties as a supervisor he represents the board of LAFCO. But, he is here to talk about his job as a county supervisor. Back in July he met with Angelica Tellechea in his office and she talked about this retreat that the board was putting together and he thought that was great. Having serviced in the city council before and recently he has attending may retreats and the retreats just not just tend to educate you but they are a team building opportunity and his thoughts were that was great that the board needed to bond and you work better as a unit when you attend those activities. She did invite him to speak and he was more than great to attend. She had also invited Mr. Heuberger and Mr. Renison but for some reason they were not able to attend. Mr. Castillo made it on Saturday and he got there about noon and he was able to do his presentation and it was for about 2-3 hours. It was very well put together and very organized. Angelica is the consultant and she brought in an attorney who is an expert on the brown act and that was part of the training and thought that was a good training. Previously Angelica had asked him if the board would be willing to contribute some money and he replied that maybe the most they could do is \$15 thousand and he committed to seek the \$15 thousand contribution thru the public benefits but after the meeting the following week they had meeting the board declared a more a moratorium on those public benefits so they could not make those payments. The moratorium should of ended another 30-60 days and at that time he is going to ask for that application to be submitted to committee benefit and ask to pay that money because he committed himself and thinks it's the right thing to do. Again he thanked the board for what they have done and wished them well and as fair as the \$15 thousand dollars he personally has to make it happen and his intent is to pay the \$15 thousand dollars and his personal opinion what was spent is money well spent. He spoke to one of his colleagues and told them that we gave Area Agency \$80 thousand dollars why can't we return the favor and pay the \$15 thousand dollars. That is his justification to his board.

2. Wellness for Kids report.

Dr. Tristan gave a brief monthly report

3. Presentation by Maria Cuffaro-Shimmer on the new Medicare and Medicare-medical Plan.

Mrs. Shimmer gave brief presentation on a new Medicare plan in the valley starting next year in January.

4. Update on the Heffernan Memorial Health Fair.

Mr. Moreno reported that Luis Castro has committed to give transport the Senior Citizens. He has been working with Mr. Pimental on the advertising and the construction of the banner. The city has the permits and has been submitted for approval to get fees waived. He spoke with Chief of police and the fire department and is on board as far as what we are going to do that day.

Mr. Pimentel reported that ECRMC and PMH are both on board. The Congressman, the Senator and the Assemblyman are also going to be there. The flyers are ready English and Spanish are already on the website.

5. Information about County Study of the ambulance system.

Board Member Romo presented a report. On September 6 Mr. Valdez and she met with the fire chief Diego Favila and it was discussed the possibility of starting some meetings between the City of Calexico and HMHD in order to work together in the department of ambulance.

Mr. Favila informed the board that what they have in front of them is a study that was done with the Imperial County. The study for the most part is going to cover the ambulance service of Gold Cross. On what Mrs. Romo was talking about they welcome to meet with the board to talk about how we can work together and provide a better health care on the ambulance. There are a lot of ideas with the board and as soon as they get a chance to have a real good sit down we can kind have go over those ideas. Whatever the parameters in the process we need to do they will be more than happy to participate with that. The board has always helped them out and they think we can continue in doing good and good for the citizens of Calexico.

Board Member Valdez reported that this is just preliminary talk, ideas and an exchange of ideas and we hope that all of us can present our ideas and thoughts and see if we can work together.

Mr. Rivera's only comment to the board is that he knows it's a real extensive and it takes a lot of time to go through a lot of that and date. But he just wanted go over with the board that the consultants that prepared this report for the county have several pages devoted and several recommendation devoted to their proposed recommendation that area 1 and 2 be combined and that once there combined that they sub contract with the City of Calexico Fire Department but he believes that would sacrifice the 201 designation for the city. He thinks that is really important for the board to understand that, that the board of supervisors and we had 2 board of supervisors here but we really should start talking to them because the question becomes whether or not shall we have an independent ambulance like the city had for a substantial period of time or should there be a merger and a sub contract with the City of Calexico so when you review that document keep in mind that those consultants keep going back to that recommendation when you read it just look out for that portion.

Board Member Bernal thinks that what the board needs to decide is if they want to move on with helping the ambulance services and we can provide the services but we also need to sit down with the City of Calexico and decide what kind of help because she does know that we go a lot of static because of the \$600 hundred thousand dollars that we gave. She defended it but we need to sit down and discuss how this board wants to help but the first thing they need to know is how we can help. She thinks it's the responsibility of the city.

Mr. Favila wants to make sure that we all take the appropriate steps and for sure like to sit down and discuss some options.

This will be placed on the next agenda as an action item.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- 1 Discussion and/or possible action on El Sol del Valle marketing proposal for 2017-2018.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Martinez to approve continuing with the same agreement as last year for the amount of \$522.00 a month. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

- 2 Discussion and/or possible action on Canal 66 Marketing proposal for 2017-2018.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Apodaca to table this item to review. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

- 3 Discussion and/or possible action on Univision proposal for advertising for 2017-2018.

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

Mr. Valdez and Mr. Martinez withdrew their motion

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve continuing with Univision one month for \$980.00 and then after that subject to review the new contract. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

- 4 Discussion and/or possible action on Desert Bandits for sponsoring for the Christmas Parade.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Romo to approve the gold for \$250.00. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

- 5 Discussion and/or possible action on Treasurer Report

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve the treasurer report. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Bernal, Romo, Martinez, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

No action taken in closed session

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Apodaca made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Second by Board Member Romo. All in favor.