

MASON COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT #2

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Fire Station @ 490 NE Old Belfair Highway

Belfair, WA 98528

2 pm Wednesday February 21, 2024

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** There will be interaction with the public during our meetings only when the Board President approves or requests input from an individual. Reminder: our meetings are voice recorded.
2. **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON:**
 - COMMISSIONERS.**
Mrs. Peggy VanBuskirk , *President* ;Mr. Tommy Thombs, *Secretary*: Mrs. Patty Stone, *Financial officer*; Mr. Herb Gerhardt
 - SUPERINTENDENT/CLERK**
Ms. Sandra Robertson
 - GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON**
Beau Bakken: NMRFA Fire Chief, Monna Hougan, Petra Sawyer
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Motion made and seconded to approve the presented agenda. Agenda approved unanimously.
4. **CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON UPCOMING CONTRACT RENEWAL**
 1. The District has received a revised potential new agreement from VMFH for Urgent Care only. The terms of the agreement were discussed, and the consensus is to not accept their proposal terms. The commissioners are open to continued negotiations.
5. **DISCUSSION OF PRIMARY CARE OPTIONS**
 1. Since our February 7th meeting, Chief Bakken has been in contact with several of the VMFH upper management to express his concerns with the proposed closure of the Belfair Primary Care Clinic. They gave him the impression that they were not totally aware of the situation and that it was not acceptable to them to close the Primary Care Clinic.
 2. Yesterday Superintendent Robertson received an email from St. Micheal Medical Center President Chad Melton in which he stated that he has instructed his team to pause the plan to close the Belfair Primary Care Clinic. He is looking more closely at options to keep Primary Care in Belfair. He plans to attend our regular meeting on February 27 in person to further talk about those options.
 3. Consensus is cautious optimism that VMFH will find a solution in order to continue to provide Primary Care in Belfair far into the future. None the less, the commissioners will proceed with attempting to bring a different healthcare provider into the North Mason area if VMFH does not show positive signs of keeping the Primary Care Clinic open.

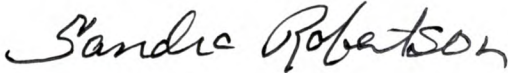
6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Questions were received from the guests that were present. The commissioners and superintendent answered them to the best of their ability to do so.

7. CONCLUDE / ADJOURN MEETING

Meeting concluded at 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Robertson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sandra Robertson, Superintendent

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- 6. DISCUSSION OF PRIMARY CARE OPTIONS**
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 8. CONCLUDE / ADJOURN MEETING**