

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

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Date: Tuesday, May 09, 2023 @ 1:00 PM

Location: **Supervisors’ Chambers, 2nd floor of the government center & Zoom Conference Call.**

Present: **Ryan, McCormick**, Berwanger, Kehl, Grant, Gozelski, Davis, Roche, Granger, Roberts, Leuer, May, Brick, King, Becker, Jacoby (1:20 PM)

Absent:

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; J. Cook/Budget Officer; J. Wilkinson/Co. Atty.

Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
Board Clerk w/C. Ketchum			
1. <u>Sunshine fund reconciliation and collection</u>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Upcoming Events:			
1. June 2023:		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTS Wyoming w/CEO Miguel Velázquez <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ General Update 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Budget Office w/J. Cook			
1. Please review unaudited year end financials recently e-mailed to Supervisors and call with any questions.		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$26M unaudited fund balance going into 2023 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Chairwoman’s Agenda w/B. Ryan			
1. General Update:		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yesterday’s Meeting with Treasurer LaWall, WCCH Admin. Kobis, et. al. went well. Plans are to meet regularly from here on out. • All outstanding invoices discussed in Finance last week to Wyo. Co. are paid to date. • Going forward meetings will focus on 2023 budget projections. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
At 1:20 PM Supervisor Jacoby, T/Wethersfield entered the room during the below agenda item.			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury questioned if the hospital has sufficient funding to sustain operations through year end 2023. It was pointed out that \$10.6M was raised in taxes to subsidize WCCH for 2023. 			

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1:00 PM - WCCH w/D. Kobis			
<p><i>At 1:22 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Kehl to enter an executive session to discuss discussions regarding proposed litigation. This was seconded by Supervisor Jacoby and all voted aye.</i></p> <p><i>Clerk Ketchum, Budget Officer Cook, County Attorney Wilkinson and Co. Atty. representative M. Dadd remained.</i></p> <p><i>At 1:53 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Roche to end the executive session and continue the regular meeting. This was seconded by Supervisor Grant and all voted aye.</i></p>			
<p>1. General Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Grant, T/Bennington questioned access to Mental Health funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WCCH designation as a critical access hospital ○ Mental Health beds would be capped • Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury commented on looking to Governor Hochul to provide funding referencing Senator Schumer's years of relentless advocacy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upstate NY Hospitals could receive a massive nearly \$1 Billion increase every single year under new proposed change to Medicare wage payments 		<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>
<p><i>In closing, Chairwoman Ryan, T/Warsaw updated Board members on a Zoom meeting she will be attending sponsored by NYSAC at 4 PM today regarding migrant influx and she offered that that Mayor of NYC will be providing some commentary tomorrow.</i></p>			

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/B. Ryan (C. Ketchum).

Next meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, June 13, 2023 @ 1:00 PM.**