

Marion County Hospital District

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Marion County Hospital District was held on **Thursday the 12th day of March 2026 at 6:00 P.M.** in the meeting room of the office of the Hospital District at 1113-B North Walcott Street in Jefferson, Texas.

Board Members Present: Chair: Karen Kent; Vice-Chair: Vivian Foster; Board Treasurer: Paulette Cooper; Board Secretary: Susan Anderson; Board Director: Michelle Ready; Board Director: Glen Farris

Board Members Absent: Board Director: Scott Nash

Staff in Attendance: Office Administrator: Alicia Belt; Office Clerk: Debbie Graves

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chair, Karen Kent and a quorum established.
2. Public Comments: No members of public in attendance.
3. Motion by Vivian Foster to approve as written February 12, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Second by Paulette Cooper. Five (5) directors voted in favor of the motion. One (1) director abstained due to absence at last month's meeting. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Vivian Foster to approve payroll from February, 15 - 28, 2026 and March 1 - 15, 2026 as presented. Second by Susan Anderson. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. A discussion was held regarding the Lease Agreement for Suite B. Revised lease was received this afternoon. Motion by Michelle Ready to table the lease agreement approval until it has been reviewed by Steve Shaw. Second by Vivian Foster. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Discussion was had regarding filing By Laws with the Secretary of State, which resulted in an email from Texas Secretary of State saying we do not file with state. In addition, the Board discussed the possibility of also filing the By Laws with the County Clerk's office. It was instructed that Board Chair discuss with legal counsel, Chase Palmer, and determine whether this additional filing is required and will provide an update to the Board at the next regular meeting.
7. Motion by Susan Anderson to add November 25, 2026, December 23, 2026 and December 31, 2026 to the approved Holiday Calendar for the hospital district. Second by Glen Farris. All in favor. Motion carried.
8. Consider Financial Reports. Board reviewed financial reports. There were no changes or corrections noted to reports. Board Treasurer reported that delinquent tax collections had decreased, which was positive. Motion by Paulette Cooper to approve all reports and file for audit. Second by Vivian Foster. All in favor. Motion carried. The CD Report was

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discussed and we have 4 that need to be renewed. Board Chair will reach out to Riverside to get status and renewal rates. In addition, Glen Farris added to have Administrator to include payout at maturity to CD Report to be able to anticipate upcoming revenue.

9. Office Administrator informed the Board of the following items:
 - A. Utilities including gas, electric and water have been transferred to MCHD for Suite A & C. WIC will send us final bill on MCHD portion of bills prior to transfer.
 - B. Credit card limit has been increased to \$10,000 and the defibrillator that was approved at previous board meeting has been purchased.
 - C. After speaking with district handyman, it was determined that wall coverings are warrantied along with all services he provides. There was a special primer put on the paneling to ensure texture would hold in place.

10. Committee Reports

- A. Building and Maintenance – Update from Administrator
 1. Repairs - Discussed that it was not suggested by handyman to put screens on vents on roof. Also discussed driveway entrance and Administrator was instructed to get quote from Sam Semple to get concrete driveway entrance and eliminate the issue. The lights on outside of building are being repaired this week. There was a lot of electrical work that needed to be done in order to get them repaired due to the breezeway issue.
 2. Discussed additional issues with the flowerbed plumbing, the pipe is busted and needs to be replaced. Motion by Vivian Foster to authorize repair, not to exceed \$5,000, to move forward on sewer repairs to include the camera charges. Second by Michelle Ready. All in favor. Motion carried.
 3. Renovation update for Suite A space. All is going well and they should be ready to start painting on Monday.
- B. Indigent Healthcare Representative – Discussed article in Jefferson Jimplecute. Everyone was in agreement, it was a good, positive article. Board Chair sent a message to Liz Cline thanking her for the article.

11. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION. The board entered into closed session at 6:52 pm.

- A. Deliberations concerning personnel matters. (Pursuant to Government Code 551.074).
- B. Deliberations involving Medical or Psychiatric Records of Individuals, (pursuant to Government code 551.0785).

12. Reconvene in Open Session at 7:05 pm.

- A. Motion by Glen Farris to accept recommendation for Debbie Graves to work 5 days a week. Second by Susan Anderson. All in favor. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Michelle Ready to accept Indigent Care Case number 2526-12, 2526-

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13, 2425-14, 2526-15, 2526-16, 2526-17, 2526-18, 1415-14, 2021-05, 2526-19 and 2526-20 for Indigent Care Program as applicants qualify. Second by Vivian Foster. All in favor. Motion carried.

13. Recommendations for Next Month's Agenda.

- A. By Law Update
- B. Riverside CD Update
- C. Quote for concrete work to driveway entrance
- D. Quote for plumbing to fix busted sewer pipe
- E. Lease Agreement for Suite B

14. Motion to adjourn by Susan Anderson. Second by Vivian Foster. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:14 pm

Duration of Meeting: 1 Hour and 13 minutes

Susan Anderson Approved in Open Meeting on April 9, 2026.