

**WILLACY COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Tuesday, May 20, 2025  
Willacy County Hospital District Office  
1623 South 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
Raymondville, Willacy County, Texas**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Rosa Lee Pedraza, President  
George Mukhar, Vice President  
Albino S. Cantu, Jr.  
Mr. Ariel Rebeles  
Jaime Salazar  
Michelle Rodriguez-Zamarron, RN-BSN  
Ashley N. Dominguez  
Maria Guadalupe Pruneda-Garza

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

Ilene F. Nyquist, Secretary-Treasurer (Excused)

**OTHERS PRESENT**

James E. Darling, Legal Counsel  
Martha C. Acevedo, RHIA, WCHD Staff  
Lorena Rodriguez, WCHD Staff

**CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum being duly noted, the May 20, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Willacy County Hospital District (WCHD) was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Rosa Lee Pedraza, President.

- A) **Absences** - Director Ilene F. Nyquist was not present and noted to be excused.
- B) **Public Comment(s)** - None (no public audience in attendance).

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 15, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Willacy County Hospital District were provided to the Board for their review and consideration. The minutes were also mailed to Directors with meeting packets.

A motion was made and duly seconded to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2025 meeting as submitted, with no additions, deletions, or corrections. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

- A) **April 2025 Financial Statements** - Report given by Ms. Acevedo. There were no questions or clarifications requested.

A motion was made and duly seconded to approve the April 2025 financial statement as reported. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

- B) **Certificate of Deposit Maturity Notices** - The information on recent maturities on CDs held at Wells Fargo Advisors was provided. Ms. Acevedo noted the Mary "Sippy" Burnett Scholarship Fund Account matured on 04/25/2025 and the CD for Hospital District funds matured on 05/09/2025. Certificate of deposit rates offered by local banks was provided. Discussion held.

A motion was made and duly seconded to invest in two (2) CDs at PNC Bank for a term of seven (7) months, one for the Hospital District for \$200,000 which includes the matured CD principal plus the addition of \$100,000 transferred from the Tax Fund account held at Wells Fargo Bank and a second CD in the amount of \$15,261.44 for the Mary "Sippy" Burnett Scholarship Fund, and to open an 11-month CD at First Community Bank in the amount of \$70,000. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

- C) **Report of Tax Revenues** - Ms. Acevedo reported March 2025's tax revenues were received on April 11, 2025. Total monthly revenue includes current tax year collections and penalties and interest for prior years. The percent of collected for the 2025 fiscal year is 92.94% (85.11% for prior fiscal year). Tax collector/assessor's 92% predicted percent of collection was compared to prior fiscal year's percent of collection. Year-to-date fees for tax assessor and tax attorney are within budget for that expenditure.
- D) **Willacy County Appraisal District Reports (2025 Estimated Taxable Values and Approved Preliminary 2026 Budget)** - Copies of the Willacy County Appraisal District's (WCAD) 2025 Estimated Taxable Values and 2026 approved preliminary budget which was received by the Hospital District on April 30, 2025 were provided and summarized by Ms. Acevedo. Note was made of the increase on WCAD's 2026 Proposed Budget as compared to prior year. Appraisal fees paid to the WCAD by Willacy County taxing entities are the source of WCAD's Estimated Allocation calculations for their proposed budget. There were no questions or comments.

#### **INDIGENT HEALTH CARE PROGRAM**

- A) **State Fiscal Year 2025 Income Standards** - To update the Board from last month's meeting on April 15, 2025, Ms. Acevedo informed the Board the Hospital District has not received a formal notice from the Department of State Health Service's (DSHS) annual revision to the State Indigent Health Care Program's monthly gross income standards screening levels. She, however, did check their website and found it has remained the same at 21% of the Federal Poverty Level

(FPL) Guideline.

- B) **Indigent Health Care Program Monthly Utilization Report** - Indigent Health Care Program's current enrollment, indigent care and prescription expenditures (payments), provider referrals, and applications requested for April 2025, as well as prior year's information was reviewed. No questions or comments were received.

**STATE OF TEXAS ELECTIONS DIVISION WEBSITE POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAY 2026 HOSPITAL DISTRICT GOVERNING BODY ELECTION** - Ms.

Acevedo informed the Board the Hospital District is in compliance with the State of Texas Elections Division website posting of "*continuously for one year before the election day for that office*" the requirements and deadline for filing for candidacy of each elected office of the political subdivision for the May 2, 2026 election. She noted the election is for directors representing Willacy County Precinct 1, 3, and At Large which are currently held by Directors George Mukhar and Ashley N. Dominguez (County Precinct 1), Jaime Salazar and Michelle Rodriguez-Zamarron (County Precinct 3), and, Albino S. Cantu, Jr. (At-Large).

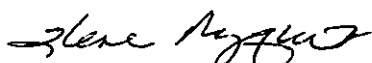
**ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEETING DAY AND TIME**

- A) **Election of Board Officers** - Discussion held. Board President, Rosa Lee Pedraza, opened the floor for nominations and/or volunteers for President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer.

A motion was made and duly seconded to keep by acclamation the current slate of officers of Rosa Lee Pedraza as President, George Mukhar as Vice President, and Ilene F. Nyquist as Secretary-Treasurer. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

- B) **Monthly Board Meeting Day and Time** - A motion was made and duly seconded to keep the same regular Board meeting day and time of third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no further business to discuss, with the consensus of the Board, a motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Ilene F. Nyquist, Secretary-Treasurer