

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Northern Inyo Healthcare District (NIHD) Board Chair.

PRESENT

Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Chair
Melissa Best-Baker, Vice Chair
Jean Turner, Secretary
Jody Veenker, Member-at-Large
Lionel Chadwick PhD, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Allison Partridge RN, MSN, Chief Nursing Officer (present via zoom)
Joy Englade, MD, Chief Medical Officer (present via zoom)

ABSENT

Stephen Del Rossi, MSA, Chief Financial Officer

OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Kilpatrick reported that at this time, members of the audience may speak only on items listed on the Notice for this meeting, and speakers will be limited to a maximum of three minutes each. The Board is prohibited from generally discussing or taking action on items not included on the Notice for this meeting. No public comments were heard.

APPOINTMENT OF THE
ZONE 3 BOARD
VACANCY

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to the Appointment of the Zone 3 Board Member Vacancy. Member-at-Large, Jody Veenker, introduced the item and thanked Interim Chief Executive Officer, Lionel Chadwick, for sitting in on the interviews. Member-at-Large Veenker acknowledged that all three (3) candidates were sophisticated and with valuable experience. It was Member-at-Large Veenker's recommendation that Ted Gardner fill the Board vacancy. Chair Kilpatrick looked to the Board for further questions or comments. No discussion was had.

It was motioned by Secretary, Jean Turner, seconded by Vice Chair, Melissa Best-Baker, and passed with a 4-0 vote to appoint Ted Gardner to the Zone 3 Board vacancy.

APPROVAL OF
FINANCIAL AND
STATISTICAL REPORTS

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to approve the financial and statistical reports that were presented as an action item at the Regular Board Meeting, December 21, 2022.

It was motioned by Vice Chair Best-Baker, seconded by Member-at-Large, Veenker and passed with a 4-0 vote to approve the financial and statistical reports.

LETTER IN SUPPORT OF
NOMINATION OF
SECRETARY, JEAN
TURNER, TO ACHD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to a letter in support of Board Member, Jean Turner, to join the Association of California Healthcare Districts (ACHD) Board of Directors. Chair Kilpatrick read the letter to the Board of Directors. A discussion regarding the benefits of serving ACHD was had.

It was motioned by Member-at-Large Veenker, seconded by Vice Chair Best-Baker and passed 4-0 to approve the letter in support of nominating Jean Turner to the ACHD Board of Directors.

CEO REPORT

Chair Kilpatrick called attention to the CEO Report. Interim CEO Chadwick discussed his participation in various community events and meetings: the Bishop City Council, Inyo County Board of Supervisors and the Bishop Chamber of Commerce. Additionally, Interim CEO Chadwick has been attending various departmental meetings within NIHD in order to build relations and allow for open communication.

Interim CEO Chadwick addressed the impacts of the recent severe weather and the potential need to discuss employee housing during these conditions at a later date. Interim CEO Chadwick also commended the Rural Health Clinic's Car Clinic staff and NIHD's maintenance workers who have continued to provide excellent service despite the weather conditions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Chair Kilpatrick announced that at this time, persons in the audience may speak only on items on the Closed Session portion of this meeting. No public comments were heard.

ADJOURNMENT TO
CLOSED SESSION

At 5:46, Chair Kilpatrick announced the meeting would adjourn to Closed Session to allow the District Board of Directors to:

- a. *Conference with Labor Negotiators, District Designated Representatives: Interim CEO and HR Director; Employee Organization: AFSCME Council 57 (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)*

Chair Kilpatrick announced there would be no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment at 6:15 p.m.



Mary Mae Kilpatrick, Northern Inyo Healthcare
District, Chair

Attest:



Jean Turner, Northern Inyo Healthcare District,
Secretary