



**SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING MEETING
WHIDBEY ISLAND PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

April 14, 2014

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Whidbey Island Public Hospital District was called to order at 9:00 am by Board President, Anne Tarrant. Others present were Commissioner Wallin; Commissioner Cammermeyer; Commissioner Fey; Commissioner Gardner; Chief Executive Officer, Tom Tomasino; and Chief Operating Officer, Hank Hanigan;

Call to Order

President Tarrant stated the purpose of this special meeting is to propose the sale of the Bayview property: # R32917-289-1030 in Langley, Washington legally described as: 57 - S/2 SW NW LY NELY ST HWY 525 CONVEYED TO ST OF WASH BY DEED AF#112484 EX E30' FOR RD EX E185' EX ANY PT LY SLY OF LN BG PT ELN 35' N1*E OF NLN HWY 525 & PT ON WLN OF SD 185' 5' N1* E OF HWY LN TGW:BG NLN HWY 525 & ELN SW NW NWLY CUR/R 586.3' TPB TH R.

Proposed Surplus Sale

Hank Hanigan, COO reported this property sale proposal was brought to the Finance Committee and is asking the Board for approval to sell the property. In January 2008 the property was zoned as a rural center and is available for commercial uses and residential. The current assessment of the land value is \$525,000. Hank Hanigan, COO stated WGH purchased this property to expand services at the south end. After the property was purchased, the government released new criteria for Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) funding that would make WGH not eligible for CAH reimbursement at the proposed clinic.

Tom Tomasino, CEO stated the first issue was that because of the downturn in the economy, financing dried up and we could not access revenue bonds as originally intended. Then the CAH laws changed and it was not practical to move forward. We would have lost all CAH funding at that location. Commissioner Wallin stated the chief executive officer (CEO), chief financial officer (CFO) and the Governing board had different members then. Tom Tomasino, CEO stated the park and ride is a major issue also due to where the property is located. Island Transit indicated they would not be willing to alter their route so folks would be dropped off on the Park N Ride side across the highway from the clinic. President Tarrant stated we will not make a decision at this meeting and this discussion will continue at the next meeting of the Board.

Public Comment

Trish Rose read an e-mail from Sue Ellen White into the record. Trish Rose shared Ms. White's concerns regarding the need to have more health services at the south end of the Island and that Ms. White feels we should not sell the property.

Adjournment

There being no further business President Tarrant called for a motion to adjourn at 9:27 am. Commissioner Gardner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fey, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.