MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WINNIE-STOWELL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Winnie-Stowell Hospital District ("District") was noticed and filed pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act a full 72 hours prior to the opening of said meeting for 5:00 p.m., April 3, 2024 at the District's Offices located at 520 Broadway, Winnie, Texas 77665, (a copy of said Notice being placed amongst the files of the District). An electronic copy of this meeting is available upon request.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

At approximately 5:09 p.m., the meeting was convened, and the roll was called of the members of the Board, to wit:

Mr. Ed Murrell
Mr. Anthony Stramecki
Vice-President
Robert "Bobby" Way
Treasurer
Jeff Rollo
Secretary

Kacey Vratis Director

All said Board members were present. In addition, to the above-named Board members, also present at the meeting were:

Mrs. Sherrie Norris
Mrs. Victoria Carlo
District Administrator
Administrator's Assistant

Mr. Hubert Oxford, IV General Counsel for the District

Mrs. MaKayla Vidal District CPA
Mrs. Kaley Smith Coastal Gateway

4. Public Comment

Following the introduction of guest and the Pledge of the Allegiance, President Murrell then asked those in attendance for any public comment. Since there was none, the President asked for the Board members to move to Agenda Item No. 5.

5. Discuss and take-action, if necessary, on hiring a qualified licensed nursing home administrator to perform nursing home services.

Attorney Oxford discussed with the Board the need to ratify an employment agreement with Curtis Scott Johnson on a part-time basis for the purpose ensuring the District's nursing facilities were providing the highest level of healthcare to the residents of these facilities. The Board was then provided with Mr. Johnson's resume and confirmed that he had several years of administrative experience overseeing nursing facilities in the State of Texas. (See Exhibit "A").

As part of his job as a District employee, Mr. Johnson is to, among other things: (a) participate in monthly meetings with the District's nursing facilities' staff to review clinical and quality operations as well as to identify areas of improvement; (b) conduct and/or participating in quarterly joint training with each of the District's Facilities; (c) provide documentation and write-ups to the District's Board of Directors and staff on a monthly basis that update the District on the status of each facility, the monthly meetings; and quarterly training; and (d) to provide the District with any information and recommendations as may be necessary to ensure the highest level of healthcare for residents at the District's facilities.

In addition, the Board discussed Mr. Johnson's pay scale as well as the amount of work required to execute his job duties. After some discussion on the issues, it was agreed to that Mr. Johnson was to be paid \$40.00 per hour and it was expected that he would work approximately seventy-five (75) hours per month.

At the conclusion of the discussion to hire Mr. Johnson, a motion was made by Director Stramecki to ratify the employment of Mr. Johnson effective January 1, 2024 at \$40.00 per hour to serve as the District's Outreach Specialists. This motion was seconded by Director Way, and unanimously approved by all the Board members.

6. Discuss and take-action, if necessary, on approving QIPP Year 8 enrollment

Next, President Murrell asked the Board to affirm the District's intentions to enroll its nursing facilities into the Year 8, Quality Incentive Payment Program ("QIPP"). Staff then explained that the deadline to enroll the District's facilities for QIPP Year 8 was on April 15, 2024 and they requested authority from the District's

Board to enroll the nursing facilities. If the Board concurred, staff explained that the District would make an IGT for its nursing facilities on or about the 1st of June 2024 and then the QIPP Year 8 would start on September 1, 2024.

In response, a motion was made by Director Vratis to authorize staff to enroll the District's nursing facilities into the Quality Improvement Payment Program for Year 8. This motion was seconded by Director Way and unanimously approved by all the Board members.

Thereafter, President Murrell then called for any other such matters before the Board. There being none, the President Murrell confirmed the next Regular Meeting was scheduled for April 17, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. A motion was then made by Director Rollo at 5:34 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Director Stramecki and unanimously approved by all the Board members present.

Edward Murrell, President

Anthony Stramecki, Vice-President