

**GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
1000 Pavilions Circle, Traverse City, MI 49684**

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 MEETING

PRESENT: Cecil McNally, Gordie LaPointe, Mary Marois Board
Rose Coleman, Lindsey Dood, Diane Mallory, Darcey Gratton Staff
TJ Andrews Commission

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Robert Long, Plante Moran

The regular meeting of the Grand Traverse County Department of Health and Human Services Board was called to order at 9:00 am by Board Chair Cecil McNally at the Garfield Township Hall.

First Public Comment – None

County Liaison Report – TJ Andrews attended as the new Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners (BOC) Liaison for the Pavilions. Andrews stated she hopes to learn more about the sustainability plan going forward and shared the Pavilions is on the agenda for the next BOC meeting scheduled on September 20th to review the sustainability plan.

Approval of Agenda – Chair McNally asked if there were additions, changes or corrections to the agenda. Motion was made by LaPointe to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Marios and carried unanimously.

Strategic Planning & Budget Discussion and Approval

Robert Long, Plante Moran – Long provided a handout on the sustainability planning report and projected a copy on the screen for all to review. LaPointe providing a brief history on the county owned medical care facility. Long highlighted on the historical perspective on funding, process of sustainability actions, proforma assumptions and a summary of the financial impact.

Andrews shared the need for more detail on history, finances and what the repayment plan looks like to provide to the County Commissioners at the presentation scheduled for September 20th.

The board discussed the cut of fifteen full-time equivalent positions who will receive a severance per years of service with a minimum of two weeks and the maximum of twelve weeks. Coleman shared six of the reductions have occurred and the remaining are aware, but staff are working to rearrange duties. Coleman announced the Director of Nursing has also submitted her resignation. The board reviewed the these staff reductions had no impact on direct care.

Medicaid Rate Letter – Coleman and Dood gave a brief review of the Medicaid rate letter provided in the packet and answered board member's questions.

