Osborne County Memorian Hospital Board of Trustees meet

The Osborne County Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees met March 23, 2026. Board Members Present: Greg Mick, John Girard, Janel Burch, Craig Beougher and Bruce Webb.

Others Present: Doris Brown, CEO; Cheryl Batchelor, Interim CFO, Amy Doane, HR/Marketing Director; Jason Rothenberger, Tate Neill and Troy Schaefer, County Commissioner.

Mick, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

Education: Jason Rothenberger, Plant Operations Director, reviewed his duties. He is over Maintenance, Plant Operations, and Environmental Services. He discussed the various contractors and regulatory surveyors that he works with; boiler inspectors, sprinkler system and State Fire Marshall along with other companies who provide preventive maintenance on HVAC and roofing.

Review proposal for IT firewall upgrade. Tate Neill presented information on the quotes received and reviewed with the board why the upgrade was needed.

Burch made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

The minutes from the February 23, 2026 meeting were presented. Girard made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

STANDING REPORTS

Beougher, Treasurer, presented the February 2026 Treasurer's Report. Deposits consisted of sales tax, interest, and a small donation to the Memorial Fund. Webb made a motion to accept the February 2026 Treasurer's Report, Burch seconded. Motion carried.

Hospital Financial Report: The Financial Report for the month of February 2026 was presented by Cheryl Batchelor, Interim CFO. February ended with a loss of ($168,830). The loss was contributed to Medicare contractual adjustments during the later part of FY2025 for FY 2024 Cost Report adjustments. Year-to-date loss is ($332,147). Girard made a motion to accept the unaudited financial reports as presented, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

The minutes from the 1/26/26 Medical Staff meetings were presented. Beougher made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Webb seconded. Motion carried.

Credentialing and Privileging:

Seth Parsons, MD Avel ECare Behavioral Health Voluntary Resignation

Suzanne England, CNP Avel ECare Behavioral Health Voluntary Resignation

Eric Tee, MD Avel ECare Behavioral Health Provisional Appointment

Karron Cohoon, NP Avel ECare Behavioral Health Provisional Appointment

Kevin Selting, MD Real Radiology Provisional Appointment

Burch made a motion to approve the Credentialing and Privileging as presented, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

Revised Medical Staff By-laws: Webb made a motion to approve the revised Medical Staff By-laws as presented, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

Policies and Procedures: The following revised and new policies and handbook were reviewed for approval:

Safety Handbook — Plant Operations - Revised

Fire Control - Emergency Preparedness - Revised

Severe Weather — Emergency Preparedness - Revised

Massive Blood Transfusion Protocol — ER - New

Webb made a motion to approve the revised, new and handbook policies as presented, Burch seconded. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports: Doris Brown reviewed the Risk Management, Infection Prevention, Antimicrobial Stewardship, Quality Assurance, Corp Compliance, Emergency Preparedness and Safety reports included in the packet.Beougher made a motion to approve the monthly reports as presented, Webb seconded. Motion carried.

CEO Report: Doris Brown reported current open positions are two Night RN's, one ER RN, CFO and Insurance Billing. The CFO candidate has accepted the position and will be starting around the first of May. The provider recruitment is going well. The employee survey was sent to employees and results are being compiled.

OLD BUSINESS

a) The Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation for the Pathway to Wellness Project Re-tread tire top for the walking path was reviewed again. Doris Brown had reached out to the Yarnell family regarding using their donated funds to complete the project and they agreed. Girard made a motion to approve the Game Time c/o Cunningham Recreation proposal for the tire re-tread for the Pathway to Wellness sidewalk completion, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

b) Jason Rothenberger reviewed the Coryell Roofing Master Maintenance Agreement with the Board. Beougher made a motion to approve the Coryell Roofing Master Maintenance Agreement as presented, Webb seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Doris Brown discussed the Kansas Clinical Improvement Collaborative, LLC Participant Agreement with the Board. She stated there was no cost to OCMH for participation. Girard made a motion to approve the Participant Agreement with the Kansas Clinical Improvement Collaborative, LLC, Burch seconded. Motion carried.

b) The Board reviewed the Nex-Tech and HBS agreements. After further discussion, Webb made a motion to accept the proposal from HBS for the fire-wall upgrade and network infrastructure update, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

c) The QuidelOrtho Sales Company LLC-Service Agreement for the Chemistry Analyzer was reviewed. Burch made a motion to accept the four year option for the QuidelOrtho Sales Company, LLC Service Agreement, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Troy Schaefer, County Commissioner asked if there had been any further discussion on the Mitchell County Newsletter. Doris Brown stated that she had not had any further discussion.

Amy Doane stated that there will be a change on how the Board members receive the monthly Board packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 6:55 p.m. Webb made a motion to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss contracted personnel with Doris Brown, Beougher seconded.

At 7:25 p.m. Bruce Webb made a motion to exit executive session, Beougher seconded. Motion carried.

Burch made a motion to approve the Physician Employment Agreement with Jerad S. Rogers. M.D., Webb seconded. Motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

LaCombe Angus joins AAA

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to allow the sworn deputies to switch from KPERS to KP&F January 1. Motion died due to lack of second. Discussion was held further on budgets and personnel. Becker informed commissioners of personnel changes.

Schaefer made a motion to update signature cards and for Kim Armstrong to replace Valecia Herold, Johnston second. Motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed KDHE Water Pollution control permits.

Johnston made a motion to approve April 20, 2026 minutes as presented, Pottberg second. Motion carried.

Tommy Bowler, maintenance, met with commissioner to discuss elevator and a designated line for emergency telephone.

Johnston made a motion to approve tax roll corrections 202600434 & 202600435, Schaefer second. Motion carried.

Schaefer made a motion to approve transfers 2026-18 for $200; 2026-19 for $43.415; 2026-20 for $60,857.10; 2026-21 for $978.54; 2026-22 for $94.81; 2026-23 for 48; and 1026-24 for $1349.70, Pottberg second. Motion carried.

Schaefer made a motion to renew annual membership with North Central Kansas Local Environment Planning Group (NCK-LEPG)l with a fee of $1500, Johnston second. Motion carried.

Johnston made a motion to approve Quarter 1 Unemployment for $523.58, Schaefer second. Motion carried.

Commissioners discussed equipment rates, budgeting, health insurance, pharmacy rebate, and benefit package.

BobbiJo Boxum, Treasurer, informed commissioners the county processing fee for Motor Vehicle transactions will be additional $5/transaction beginning July 1st.

Schaefer made a motion to stay with Blue Cross Blue Shield and Freedom Claims Health Insurance, Johnston second. Motion carried. Employee Contributions on health insurance was discussed.

Commissioner discussed a possible 18-month renewal with Greg Lane and Darren Booth to line insurance up with budget.

Commissioners also discussed fire mutual aid agreements and control burns.

Schaefer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m., Johnston second. Motion carried.

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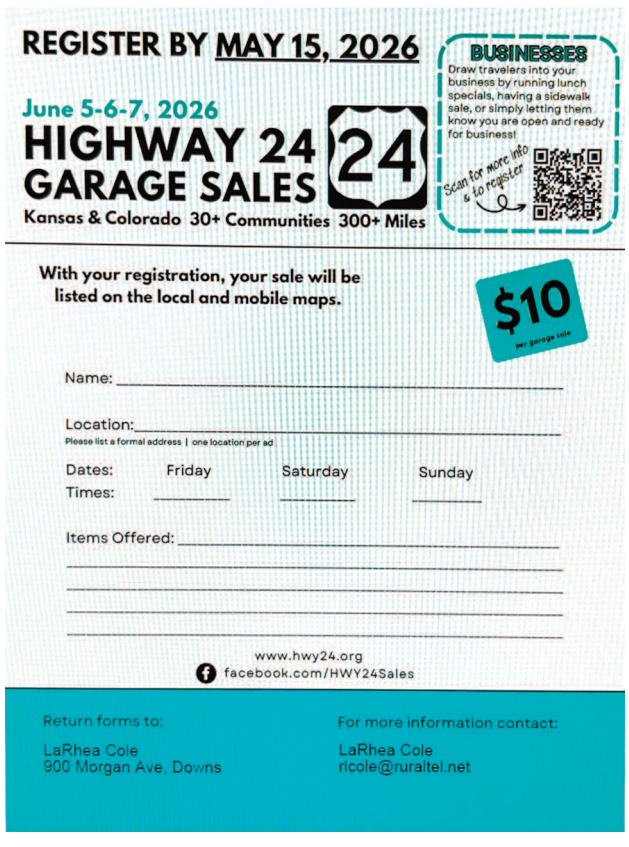

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COMMUNITY

First & Third Mondays:
Downs City Council Meeting,
5:30 p.m. at City Office.
Mondays:
Osborne County Commission Meeting 2 to 3 p.m.
Sundays, 2 p.m. GriefShare Support meetings beginning March 1

SCHOOL

Wed., May 06 - Senior Signing Day 12:15 p.m.
HS Awards Night 6:30 p.m.
JH Track at St. John's, 9:30 a.m.
HS Golf at Lakeside, 10:30 a.m.
Thurs., May 07 - HS Golf, Riley County 1 p.m.
LES Last Day of Homework Club
Fri., May 08 HS Track, Mankato, 3 p.m.
Sat, May 09, LHS Graduation 10 a.m.
Mon., May 11, 8th-grade promotion, JH awards 6:30/p
9:20 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - Grandparents' Game Day
1-3 p.m. Fun Day
Tues., May 12, HS Golf at Tipton 10:30 a.m.
PTL (JH) track at Tescott (NPL) 3 p.m.

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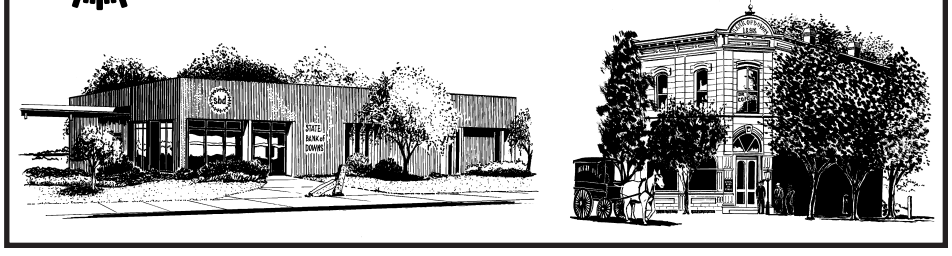

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