Newberg Community Hospital

Newberg, Oregon

January 28, 1977

The regular monthly meeting of the Newberg Community Hospital Commission was held in the Conference Room of the hospital on Friday, January 28, 1977. The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Don Wilson, at 12:00 Moon with all members present except Bob Hurford. Mayor, Elvern Hall, Dr. L. W. Inman, Chief of the Medical Staff, Virginia Millage, president of the auxiliary and Justine Pfeiffer and Milt Robins of the hospital administration were also present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed. The financial statement for the months of November and December were presented and discussed.

Don Wilson reported that he had studied the Mational Health Search proposal but wanted to talk to some of the hospitals or clinics who have used their services before he made a report.

Homer Hester had no report on the possible formation of a hospital foundation.

The administrator again mentioned the need for another full time E. M. T. 2, trained in cardiac care, so that we could have ambulance coverage of coronary cases twenty four hours a days.

The administrator reported that the new ambulance would arrive around April 1, 1977. He suggested that board consider keeping the Chevrolet station wagon to be used for hospital business around the local area.

Upon investigation, the administrator reported it would be useless to apply for grant funds for medical facility construction and modernization which had been publicized by the Department of Human Resources and mentioned has month.

A motion was made by Ernie Smith that we purchase the 3M Gas Sterilizer and Aeration Cabinet. Seconded by Andy Anderson and passed.

It was announced that the hospital auxiliary had voted to pay the balance of around \$5,600.00 on the ambulance and buy the sterilizer and cabinet at a cost of around \$5,435.00

Each member of the board was given a brochure on the proposed telephone system and was asked to study the proposal before the next meeting.

The administrator reported that the back flow valves had been installed and were functioning.

The administrator reported that he had a proposal of \$550.00 per month to install an antenna and furnish 10 19" Quasar television sets for the hospital. He stated that he would proceed to obtain more proposals.

The audit report that had been sent to each board member will be discussed at the February meeting.

As the terms of Ernie Smith and Homer Hester expired December 31, 1976, the Personnel Committee of the city had requested that names of candidates for new board members be submitted to them so they could make recommendations to the Mayor for appointment. Ernie Smith indicated a desire to be considered again but Homer Hester stated that he would be glad to step down if the committee felt that a younger and more active person might be a greater asset to the board. Don Wilson appointed a committee of Andy Anderson, Bob Hurford and himself to submit a list of names to the City Personnel Committee.

The administrator reported that he would like to have the Chairman appoint a member to serve on a committee along with a representative from the auxiliary and two hospital employees to plan some sort of a celebration to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the opening of the hospital.

A motion was made by Homer Hester that upon the recommendation of the Medical Staff, the application for staff membership of John R. Sandilands, M. D. be approved and that he be assigned to the Courtesy Staff and granted the privileges he requested. Seconded by Andy Anderson and passed.

Don Wilson suggested that standing committees be appointed to alleviate much of the work done by the board as a whole at the monthly meetings. These committees would function with the administrator in figuring salary increases, fringe benefits and labor negotiations with employees, hospital foundation, long range plans, etc. This will probably be discussed further at future meetings.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Robins
Administrator