
**AUGUST 26, 2020
SPECIAL MINUTES**

The Meeting of the Bristow Hospital Authority Special Meeting was called to order in the Bristow Court House of the Municipal Building at 6:00 P.M. A roll call was had with the following members present. Chairman Rick Pinson, Trustees: Joe Church, Judd Johns, Jeff Roberts, Tex Slyman, Jeff Willeford, Randy Witty and Kris Wyatt. Trustee Absent Brandon Flood.

Motion was made by Roberts with a second by Johns approving that the declare into Executive Session was necessary to process the potential litigation. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

Motion was made by Roberts with a second by Johns approving to enter into executive session for confidential communications with legal counsel regarding claims and potential litigation pertaining to Bristow Hospital operations and the Authority's Sublease with Bristow Endeavor, on advice of legal counsel that public disclosure would seriously impair the ability of the Trustees to process potential claims and potential litigation in the public interest and as authorized by 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4). A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

The Bristow Hospital Authority Meeting reconvened with the following members present. Chairman Rick Pinson, Trustee: Joe Church, Judd Johns, Jeff Roberts, Tex Slyman, Jeff Willeford, Randy Witty and Kris Wyatt.

Motion was made by Roberts with a second by Slyman approving to take no action on the items discussed in Executive session. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

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Motion was made by Willeford with a second by Roberts approving to authorize Karen Rieger to finalize the amendment to the Sublease Agreement and Operation and Maintenance Contract between the Bristow Hospital Authority and Bristow Endeavor Healthcare, LLC and send to Endeavor's attorney, and bring back to the council meeting on September 8, 2020. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

Jan Clark, with Bristow Endeavor Healthcare asked to speak about the public support items. She stated there has been some misconception that the money from the sales tax goes directly to the hospital or Endeavor and stated she felt the board should make it clear the money does not go the hospital directly, but to the City and the City disperses the funds. Says she should have spoken up a long time ago, but didn't feel it right then, now it is. The City needs the hospital, whether it be with Endeavor or with someone else. If the City wishes to find someone else to manage the hospital, this is fine, and she will support them. She would like for something to come from the Mayor setting the town straight about the sales tax money.

Rebecca Benham, with Bristow Endeavor Healthcare spoke. She would like for the City to allow the Citizens to vote to put the 1 cent sales tax back. She hates that we as a city have had a vision of a new hospital and spent roughly 2 million dollars on plans for the new hospital and that is as far as it has gone. She would like to see if the city would allow the citizens the opportunity to vote. She feels the state will not allow this hospital to be running in the next 5 years. She feels like there has been a lack of communication and would hope to fix that.

Councilman Randy Witty said that the City should make it known that Endeavor has never had access to the Sales Tax Money.

Holly Shinnen Graham stated the hospital has an amazing team running the hospital. She thinks it will be hard to find providers to come to Bristow. Endeavor is the only group here that accepts Community Care Insurance. If the ER goes away the city will be in trouble. The rural hospital has a high homeless rate. Urgent care is very expensive. She said everyone here at the hospital is very nervous.

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Motion was made by Willeford with a second by Roberts approving to Authorize Karen Rieger to request information on the public support provided to Bristow Endeavor for operation of the hospital, including sales tax proceeds, transfers of personal and intangible personal property (including operator licenses and Medicare numbers) and accounting for these expenditures, and authorization for outside counsel to request financial records as deemed necessary by the Trustees. A roll call was had with the following members present to voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

Motion was made by Johns with a second by Roberts approving to Authorize Karen Rieger to submit a "Request for Proposals" from potential Operators for the Bristow Medical Center. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.

Motion was made by Roberts with a second by Flood approving to Adjourn. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Johns, Aye; Roberts, Aye; Slyman, Aye; Willeford, Aye; Witty, Aye and Wyatt, Aye. Motion Passed.


SABRINA MOUNCE, SECRETARY


RICK PINSON, CHAIRMAN