

**Mid-Illinois Medical District Commission
Lincoln Land Community College
Capital City Training Center
4:00 p.m., Thursday, February 8, 2018**

MINUTES

Present:

Dr. Charlotte Warren, President
Mitch Johnson, Secretary
Norm Sims, Commissioner
Guerry Suggs, Commissioner

Jack Mazzotti, Vice-President
Joe Hurwitz, Commissioner
Roland Cross, Commissioner

Absent:

Ramona Metzger, Treasurer
Michelle Ownbey, Commissioner
Rex Brown, Commissioner

Jennifer Lee, Commissioner
Charles Lucore, Commissioner

Other Guests:

Jean Bruner-Jachino
Josh Collins
Steve Myers
Val Yazell

Mike Southworth
Lothar Soliwon
Abby Powell

Convening of the annual meeting of the Commission

C. Warren called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm. M. Johnson initiated the roll call and verified that a quorum was present.

Commissioner appointments

C. Warren informed the Commission that Norm Sims was appointed to the Commission by the Sangamon County Board.

Election of Officers

M. Johnson served as the chair of the nominating committee and presented the following slate of officers with the President, Vice-President & Secretary serving on the executive committee:

Dr. Charlotte Warren, President
Mitch Johnson, Vice-President
Joe Hurwitz, Secretary & Executive Committee Member at-large
Ramona Metzger, Treasurer

On a motion by M. Johnson, seconded by G. Suggs, the Commission unanimously approved the slate of officers and executive committee.

2018 annual budget

C. Warren presented the 2018 annual budget. On a motion by J. Hurwitz, seconded by G. Suggs, the Commission approved the budget as submitted.

Approval of the minutes of the November 30, 2017 Commission meeting

On a motion by J. Hurwitz, seconded by G. Suggs, the Commission members present voted to approve the minutes of November 30, 2017 meeting.

Financial Report

On a motion by G. Suggs, seconded by J. Hurwitz, the Commission voted to approve the November 2017 and December 2017 Financial Reports.

Old business

N. Sims gave an update on attempts to have interstate signage noting the Mid-Illinois Medical District through the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). N. Sims informed the committee that IDOT has informed him that these signs violate their internal policy. N. Sims informed the commission that he has spoken with local legislators and there is the possibility of seeking a legislative solution.

New Business

Mike Southworth from Hart, Southworth & Witsman was in attendance to discuss how the Medical District could utilize its bonding authority to assist development projects. M. Southworth discussed the differences between a pure government bond and a private activity bond and how the MIMD can be a conduit to provide private activity bonds to developments within the District. The Commission was informed that the MIMD can provide federal tax exempt bonds but could partner with the Central Illinois Economic Development Commission for double exempt bonds for federal & state of Illinois taxes. The Commission was also informed that TIF funds could be used to pay the employers portion for the State's workforce housing program.

C. Warren informed the Commission that the Auditor General's Office was performing the routine audit on the Commission.

Reports of Commission officials

There was no reports of Commission officials

Presidents Report

There was no further reports from the President

Public Comment

There was no public comment

Adjournment

On a motion by G. Suggs, seconded by J. Hurwitz, the Commission members present unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:07 p.m.

Submitted by:

Mitch Johnson
MIMD Commission Secretary