

Minutes

Point Roberts Public Hospital District

September 14, 2018

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Dick Williams, Commissioner

Attending:

Commissioners: Dick Williams, Kandace Harper, Stephen Falk
Superintendent: Barb Wayland
Financial Auditor: Absent
Recording Secretary: Reneé Coe
Absent:

Introduction of Guests:

Dr. Sean Bozorgzadeh and Dr. Mae Lary of SuperTrack Urgent Care in Bellingham
Pat Grubb (APB), various members of the community

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Business:

Service Provider Proposal

Dr. Sean Bozorgzadeh and Dr. Mae Lary of SuperTrack Urgent Care in Bellingham met with the group to discuss their proposal to operate the Point Roberts Clinic. The proposal includes an aggressive time line in the hopes that there will be no interruption of care at the clinic. Barb will provide a copy of Unity Care's contract for their review.

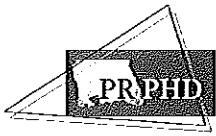
Dr. Mae Lary has a background in primary care, oncology and internal medicine. Dr. Sean Bozorgzadeh was trained in family practice and has ER experience.

The proposal outlines a plan to operate the clinic 6 days per week. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for primary care (8 hours per day) and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday (6 hours per day). An MA or nurse will facilitate telemedicine treatment on Tues., Thurs. and Saturdays where an MD will be available at SuperTrack in Bellingham to assist with patient care remotely. Patients will be able to make their appointments on-line and use a patient portal for bill pay and access tests results. The proposal includes lab and x-ray services. Their vision of the clinic is to do more than what is currently available. Their long term vision would include additional points of care testing on-site.

With regards to pharmacy, SuperTrack stocks approximately 30 different commonly used prepackaged medications. The medications would be paid at the time of the visit by the patient and would not be billed to insurance. Dr. Sean will inquire with Hoaglands or another pharmacy to coordinate patient med deliveries to the clinic.

Billing and medical records will be processed by a third party vendor in Bellingham. Unity Care agreed to help facilitate with medical record transfers. Credentialing of the clinic will be set-up under the "urgent care" status already in place with SuperTrack and at their expense. Letters will be sent to patients with forms authorizing the release of medical record transfers.

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If necessary, Barb will ask Shanon Hardie, COO of Unity for a one month extension if SuperTrack requires additional time to become operational.

Dr. Mae commented that under the current model, the clinic's profit and loss didn't look good and that their model may not support all four staff members. They will approach the staff and provider to discuss further.

The HD will be responsible for public relations of the new clinic (i.e. signage, branding, patient education, brochures). Barb will contact Whatcom PT regarding the changes expected with the new service provider.

Barb and Commissioner Falk will review the current Unity contract and draft a new version for SuperTrack to review. Both parties will edit and update the contract accordingly.

Motion: The HD will provide a Letter of Intent to SuperTrack Urgent Care for administration of the Point Roberts Clinic. Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

Regular Meeting: Thursday October 11, 2018

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Signatures:

Dick Williams

Stephen Falk

Kandace Harper

Reneé Coe