

WEST WHARTON COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
September 21, 2026

A Special Meeting of West Wharton County Hospital District was held at 5:30 p.m. at the WWCHD office in El Campo, Texas and the following Board Members were present: Steve Cooper, President, Travis Cobb, Treasurer, Anthony Cisneros, Secretary, Cuatro Strack, Sean Bowers, Sherrie Hardin, Rick Graff, Susanna Ozuna and Karen Middlebrook.

The Board Members absent were Richard Kerzee and Patricia Korenek.

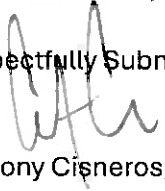
Others attending were Johnny Thompson, WWCHD Administrator, Heidi Dine, WWCHD Financial Manager, Brett Kirkham, MCHS CEO and Irma Rocha, MCHS Senior Administrative Assistant.

Attending by Zoom: None.

- I. Upon determining that a quorum was present, Mr. Cooper, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. It was noted that the agenda was properly posted on the WWCHD web page, at the County Clerk's office, the hospital web page, the front entrance of the hospital and Mid Coast Medical Clinic at 10:00 a.m. on September 16th, 2026.
- II. The US and Texas pledges were said.
- III. The invocation was given by Cuatro Strack.
- IV. Announcements/Public Comments (Presenters will be limited to 3 minutes and the Board is not required to respond to any items presented): None
- V. Old/Unfinished Business
 - a. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Thompson gave an update on the ECMH renovations.
 - b. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Thompson gave a recommendation of the renovation committee to put the architect on hold. The committee is discussing how to change architects. This discussion and approval was tabled until the next meeting.
 - c. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Thompson stated that the board will need to approve a renovation budget. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
 - d. Mr. Cooper discussed the plumbing bids and stated that there would need to be an approval to amend the prior approval amount. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Mr. Thompson discussed the need to add one more WWCHD board member to the ECMH board. Rick Graff volunteered to join the ECMH Board.
- VII. The WWCHD Board entered an executive session at 6:45 pm. The executive session ended at 8:37 pm.
- VIII. Karen Middlebrook stated that WWCHD should pursue the options 1 & 2 as presented to terminate the lease with ECMH. Before the next meeting, Mr. Thompson will obtain information from Red River RCM and WWCHD legal counsel. The WWCHD Board will vote at the next meeting. Cuatro Strack made a motion to accept this action with a second by Rick Graff. The motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cuatro Strack, seconded by Rick Graff and the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Anthony Cisneros, Secretary