Cochran County Hospital District	Cochran Memorial Hospital
Board of Directors	201 E Grant Ave
Hearing Minutes	Morton, Texas 79346
March 19, 2025	

ATTENDANCE

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Hospital Administration</u>
John Schmidt	Kody Kitchens
Ray O'Brien	Grant Turner
William (Bill) Albus	
Matt Patterson	<u>Minutes Taker</u>
	Mary McKnight
<u>Absent</u>	
Betty Lyon	<u>Guests</u>
	Maggie Ramon
	Garrett Peters

Public Hearing regarding adoption of a resolution to establish a tax abatement program and establish/adopt tax abatement guidelines and criteria

1. **Opening**
    a. Called to order 4:31 p.m.
    b. Presentation by Garrett Peters
        i. Mr. Peters presented members of the board of directors with printout of tables for Wildcat Energy Storage Project I and Wildcat Energy Storage Project II
        ii. Project I construction will begin in 2026 and complete in 2026
        iii. Project II construction begins in 2027 and completes in 2027
    c. Public Comments
        i. None
2. **Matters for Discussion and/or Action.**
    a. Matt Patterson inquired about batteries being down impacting the payment made to the hospital, referencing the wind farm abatement with Whiteface CISD and the valuations getting hammered due to turbines being down. Mr. Peters stated the agreements are based on the name-plate capacity and not the actual capacity and stated the payments were locked in once the project is completed.
    b. Bill Albus inquired about one section of the agreement on page 9, section F reading $100,000 and in parentheses $50,000 and on the following page reading $50,000 in one place and $25,000 in another place. Mr. Peters stated page 9 should read $50,000 and the following page $25,000. They were typos he would correct.
    c. Bill Albus asked Mr. Peters to explain the statement in the agreement that reads the money cannot be used for ordinary maintenance and operations of the district. Mr. Peters stated that was put in by the county attorney to protect that money from being considered maintenance and operations revenue and avoid any confusion that that the money from the abatement was other revenue and not tax revenue. It was determined that needed to be removed as those tax rates do apply to the hospital like it does the county.

d. Suggestion made Mr. Peters clean up the typos in the agreement, remove the statement about the money not being used for ordinary maintenance and operations on page 10, inquire about a and inquire about a 10% increase to the pilots.

e. Motion was made to table the topic until these items have been completed. Motion was seconded. Three (3) votes in favor; zero (0) against. Motion carried. Topic tabled until Mr. Peters has completed the above items.

f.

3. Open Forum

a. No new business

4. Adjournment

a. Motion made to adjourn; motion seconded. Three (3) votes in favor; zero (0) against. Motion carried.

i. Meeting adjourned 5:45

ii. p.m.

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Cochran Memorial Hospital CEO Date

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Cochran Memorial Hospital President, Board of Directors Date