

**Lewis County Health Systems
Planning and Facilities Committee**

Date: November 15, 2021

Call to Order: 3:00pm

Adjourn: 3:45 pm

Present: Jerry Cayer, Jeff Hellinger, Denise Hirsch (recorder), John Lehman, Phil McDowell, Donald Musnicki, Frank Pace, Karen Rennie, Susan Ross

Guest: Dr. Sean Harney, Ryan Piche County Manager, Joanne Rhubarb

Mr. Musnicki called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm with the reading of the Vision and Mission Statement.

Mr. Pace stated the purpose of today's meeting is to provide an overview of the budget and project adjustments for the med surg renovation and expansion project.

Mr. Pace stated the team has been working very diligently on this project to stay within the approved budget and complete the mission of the project. Mr. Pace reviewed the current proposed project and budget, the construction analysis from Trophy Point which showed an increase of nine million dollars.

Mr. Pace stated that the team looked at how the project could be reconfigured, stay within our project mission and approved budget. Mr. Pace then shared a revised project diagram and budget which would eliminate the lower level that would have housed the clinical offices and conference areas, the second floor would remain as proposed with a few adjustments. With this would be a cost savings of nine million dollars. And with leaving the clinical offices in the Medical Arts Building we would still get the Rural Health Designations reimbursement.

Ms. Ross asked why we would not design the lower level for future use, and what would be the cost to do so.

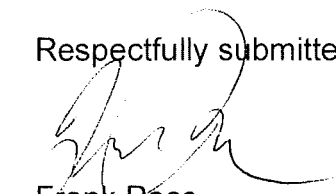
Mr. Pace explained that with the cost of the removal of dirt, steel, and the infrastructure it would be a significant expense and would put the project over budget.

Mr. Cayer stated that if this committee approves the revised project, it will then go to the executive committee and then to the full board. Once approved we would need to submit an update for the Certificate of Need (CON).

Mr. Cayer stated that the once the team received the construction analysis Mr. Pace came to the committee with this suggestion, then met with Mr. Tague with BCA and Don Clark with C&S Engineering, everyone was in agreement that this was the best alternative to stay within our budget and still meet the project vision.

Mr. Musnicki asked for a motion to move forward with this project. Mr. Lehman made the motion and Mr. McDowell seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted



Frank Pace
Director of Facilities