COMMISSIONERS’ AGENDA
June 11, 2020
10:00 AM

PRESENT: Joe Pehan by proxy, Mary Ann Harwood, Don Hartwell, Treva Nelson, Clerk & Recorder.
Public attendance signatures are attached to the minutes.

Public comment is allowed on all agenda items at the direction of the Chairman and following Board rules. Due to COVID-19, any Public would need to call in.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mary Ann asked if there was any public comment on the agenda item.

Dr. Stewart said that he would like Kalispell because they have already been involved with the hospital and helped the hospital. He also said that with Benefis he worries that patients would just be shipped down the road.

Saza Lee said as a citizen he feels Kalispell has shown they care because of all the help we have already received from them before, during and after the COVID-19 episode.

Dr. Hooker said he feels actions speak louder than words. Kalispell has sent help during our time of need and has been willing to help manage things for a while. He also thought Benefis has shut down other facilities they have bought or at least limited the business they do by sending the patients down the road to Benefis in Great Falls. Dr. Hooker also mentioned that Med Staff agrees with accepting Kalispell.

Approval of May 28, 2020 Minutes. Don Hartwell motioned to approve. Mary Ann Harwood seconded the motion and the motion carried.

1. Consider the selection of one of the two RFPs between Benefis and Kalispell Regional Medical Center. Don Hartwell motioned to accept Kalispell Regional Medical Center’s proposal. Mary Ann Harwood seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mary Ann opened a signed proxy from Joe Pehan and his vote was also for Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Mary Ann said her reason in choosing Kalispell would be the help they have given Marias Medical Center for years and feels that we work well with them.