

Eldora City Council
Greenbelt Home Care
October 10, 2019 – 6:00pm

Eldora City Council, Greenbelt Home Care and Eldora Supervisors meet in a joint meeting with Zak Stoulil presiding. City of Eldora had Mayor David Dunn, City Administrator David Mitchell, City Attorney Erika Allen and Council members Aaron Budweg, Blake Jones and Greg Priske present. Eldora Supervisors had Lance Granzow and Renee McClellan present. BJ Hoffman was present by phone. Greenbelt Home Care had members Zak Stoulil, Dianne Haywood, Marilee Lawler and Connie Jeske, Renee McClellan is also on the Greenbelt Home Care board. Judy Spree who is Greenbelt Home Care interim administrator was present also. Hardin County Board of Health had Joyce Kix, Tim Broer, Jeff Hoffman, Mary Pisney and Dr. Curtis O'Loughlin present. Renee McClellan is also on this board. Also present was County Attorney Darrell Meyer, EMS Director Ryan Sutcliffe, Iowa Dept of Public Health Heather Bombei, Hardin County IT Micah Cutler and Matt Rezab from the Iowa Falls Times Citizen.

The meeting started with Zak asked for a motion to approve the agenda. It was motioned and seconded. All approved the agenda and the motion passed. They introduced the members present and so did each attending entity. Renee McClellan called the Supervisors meeting to order. David Dunn called the City Council meeting to order and Jeff Hoffman called the Board of Health meeting to order.

Zak mentioned the City of Eldora submitted a letter of intent to withdraw from Greenbelt Home Care on July 7, 2019 to end with them on June 30, 2020. Greenbelt Home Care (GHC) can't have a 28E agreement with only one entity. There were 5 options that GHC has: 1) the City could not withdraw, 2) GHC finds another investor, 3) they dissolve GHC, 4) a free market takes over GHC and 5) the County takes over GHC.

David Dunn was concerned with GHC borrowing against their line of credit at the bank. Their service/patient count is down and questioned if is this normal for GHC. Zak said some clients had moved to a higher level of care and to a nursing home. It usually picks up in the winter with more falls and the flu season. This is the first year with the new Medicare billing system and it has been slow for reimbursements.

It was discussed the option of the City staying in but at a 1% owner to limit the exposure of the City. If GHC was to dissolve the County is required to provide Public Health but their level of care would not be as high as GHC provides. Zak would like to see the service remain the same for Hardin County residents and keep the same quality of service. They have a great bunch of nurses that provide the service. They offer flex hours of 4/10 hours or 5/8 hours days.

It was asked about Julie Towne's dismissal and Zak told them it was discussed in closed session and they would need a court order to release the closed session. Judy Spree has done a great job as interim and hiring a new director has been an issue since GHC is unsure of their future. If the City stays in, County owned or new investor. The State audit is still in progress and there is no result available.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.

David W. Dunn, Mayor

ATTEST:

David M. Mitchell, City Administrator