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MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL
PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE-I

DATE: 17 September 2013

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Department Operations Center
Rhode Island Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Committee-I			
Victoria Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Roberta Feather, CNS, PhD, JD	X		
Wallace Gernt	X		
Theresa Jeremiah	X		
Amy Lapierre			X
Steven Lonardo	X		
Thomas M. Madden, Esq.	X		
Tom Sgouros	X		
Robert Ricci	X		
Reverend Shire (Vice-Chair)	X		
Robert Whiteside		X	
Committee-II			
Denise Panichas	X		

Staff: Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Sarah Mancone (Intern), Joseph G. Miller, Esq., Steve Morris, Esq.

Public: (Attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. A motion was made and passed by a vote of ten in favor with none opposed (10-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be

extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Almeida, Donahue, Feather, Gernt, Jeremiah, Lonardo, Madden, Sgouros, Ricci, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda were the applications of **Prime Healthcare Services – Landmark, LLC, Prime Healthcare Services, Inc., Prime Healthcare Holdings, Inc., and Prime Healthcare Management, Inc.** for changes in effective control of (1) Landmark Medical Center, a 214-bed hospital located at 115 Cass Avenue in Woonsocket, and (2) Rehabilitation Hospital of Rhode Island (Northern Rhode Island Rehab Management Associates, LP) an 82-bed rehabilitation hospital center located at 116 Eddie Dowling Highway in North Smithfield. Staff reviewed the information provided for this meeting.

The Committee heard a presentation from a consultant to the Rhode Island Department of Health: John J. Schibler, PhD, CPA, President of Harborview Consulting, LLC, presented a financial analysis of Prime, Landmark and the overall transaction.

State representative Lisa Baldelli-Hunt (District 49 - Woonsocket) spoke in support of this application.

A motion was made by Ms. Jeremiah, seconded by Mr. Ricci, and passed by a vote of nine in favor, none opposed, and one abstention (9-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved subject to the conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor included: Almeida, Donahue, Feather, Gernt, Jeremiah, Madden, Sgouros, Ricci, and Shire. Those members abstained included: Lonardo.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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