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MINUTES OF MEETING
HEALTH SERVICES COUNCIL
PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE-I

DATE: 1 December 2015

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Department Operations Center
Rhode Island Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Project Review Committee-I			
Victoria M. Almeida, Esq. (Chair)	X		
John J. Barry III	X		
Donna Carris, CPA	X		
Raymond C. Coia, Esq. (Secretary)	X		
John X. Donahue	X		
Jeanette S. Matrone, RN, PhD (Vice Chair)			X
Tarah Provencal, Esq.	X		

Staff: Michael K. Dexter, MPA, Morgan Enroth, Theodore Long, MD, Jane Morgan, Esq., Paula Pullano, MPA

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 2:37 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. Minutes of the Project Review Committee-I meeting of 3 November 2015 were adopted as submitted. A motion was made and passed by a vote of six in favor and none opposed (6-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act due to the increase in administrative burdens on staff. Those members voting in favor were: Ms. Almeida, Mr. Barry, Ms. Carris, Mr. Coia, Mr. Donahue and Ms. Provencal.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the application of **Neighbors Emergency Center (NEC) West Warwick Emergency Center, LP** for the initial licensure of a Freestanding Emergency Care Facility in West Warwick. Mr. Coia chaired meeting on this matter as Ms. Almeida, Chair, recused and Dr. Matrone, Vice-Chair, was excused.

Representatives of Neighbors Emergency Center provided a presentation and answered the Committee's questions. A Committee member requested Neighbors Emergency Center to provide further data on the payor mix and demographic breakdown of patients by site of the applicant's current facilities.

Dr. Michael Dacey, President of Kent County Hospital and Memorial Hospital, voiced concerns on the application.

The next meeting on this application was scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2015.

No formal action was taken by the Committee on this application.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morgan Enroth". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

Morgan Enroth
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