

## Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING

#### November 15, 2021 6:30 p.m. KVH Family Medicine – Cle Elum

Toll-Free Number: 877-853-5257 US Meeting ID: 258 476 6248 Passcode: 12345

#### **AGENDA**

I.	Introductions	
II.	Approval of Agenda	
III.	Approval of Minutes  a. October 18, 2021* (Regular Meeting)  b. November 3, 2021* (Special Meeting)	(2-3) (4-5)
IV.	Public Comments/Announcements/Correspondence	
V.	<ul> <li>Reports:</li> <li>a. Operations Report (G. Scherer)</li> <li>b. Superintendent's Report (J. Petersen)</li> <li>• HD2 Communication Plan/Community Report (Michele Wurl)</li> <li>c. Ancillary Report (R. Holden)</li> <li>d. Finance Report, Approval of Expenses* (S. Olander)</li> <li>e. Station 99 Updates (R. Kaiser/R. Urlacher)</li> </ul>	(6-23) (24) (25-36) (37-45)
VI.	Old Business	
VII.	New Business	
	<ul> <li>a. 2022 Budget Resolution 11-15-21-02</li> <li>b. Regular Levy Resolution – EMS 11-15-21 03</li> <li>c. Regular Levy Resolution – M&amp;O 11-15-21-04</li> <li>d. Surplus Resolution 11-15-21-05</li> <li>e. Next Meeting Date: December 20, 2021</li> </ul>	(46) (47) (48) (49-50)
VIII.	Executive Session	
IX.	Adjournment	

Note: Upcoming Agenda Items

• Urgent Care/FMCE Quarterly Report

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# Kittitas County Public Hospital District #2 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: Monday: October 18, 2021

Minutes of: Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Meeting Place: KVH Family Medicine Clinic, Cle Elum, WA

Minutes Submitted By: Scott Olander, Treasurer

#### **Call to Order:**

Regular Meeting: Call to order made by Commissioner Rogalski at 6:30 p.m.

#### Introductions:

Commissioners: Hartwig Vatheuer (absent), Carrie Youngblood, Kevin Nicholson, Floyd Rogalski and Fred Benjamin. Superintendent: Julie Petersen; Treasurer: Scott Olander; Ancillary Operations: Rhonda Holden; EMS Manager: Geoff Scherer; and Facilities: Ron Urlacher

#### **Approval of Agenda:**

Action: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. Motion carried.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Action: A motion to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting was made by Commissioner Benjamin and seconded by Commissioner Youngblood. Motion carried.

#### <u>Public Comments/Announcements/Correspondence:</u>

None.

#### **Operations Report:**

The Commissioners reviewed the written operations report and operating statistics for September 2021. September operations were busy. There were 72 transports in September, 5 transports greater than the monthly budget of 67. YTD transports of 638 exceed YTD budgeted transports by 31 transports. The two EMTs going through Medic school have almost completed the educational component of their training. Both EMTs will need another 6 months of practical experience before becoming Medics. The new ambulance will not be available until June 2022. The out-of-county transport increase is a concern because there may not be an ambulance available for emergencies that arise. Scott and Geoff will pull transport data and try to understand the trends that are causing the out-of-county transport increase.

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#### **Superintendent's Report:**

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the written Superintendent's report. Julie discussed the Regional Fire Authority concept and the potential misunderstanding about which organization is responsible for upper County EMS services. Julie reported that positive Covid patient volumes appear to be starting to decline. Julie also discuss the Retention Bonus that the District 1 Commissioners approved for District 1 employees. The District 2 Commissioners asked that the cost of a Retention Bonus, similar to the bonus paid by District 1, be calculated for District 2 employees.

#### **Ancillary Report:**

The Ancillary Report was distributed at the meeting. The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the written ancillary report.

#### **Finance Report:**

The financial statements for September 2021 were reviewed by the Commissioners. The review included a review of actual versus budgeted revenue and expense variances. As noted in the operation report September transports of 72 exceeded budget by 5 transports. YTD transports of 638 exceed budget by 31 transports. September contractual adjustments trended with the positive revenue variance and exceeded budget by \$1,412 but are \$17,135 below budget YTD. September expenses exceeded budget by \$1,217. YTD total expenses are \$80,536 below budget. The District reported a positive Net Income of \$7,355 for September compared to budgeted Net Income of \$4,268; a positive variance of \$3,087. YTD Net Income is \$123,124 compared to the budget of \$30,424; a positive variance of \$92,700.

Action: A motion to approve the warrants for September was made by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. Motion carried.

#### **Ambulance Station:**

Ron provided an update of the ambulance station construction. The painting has been completed and the mechanical work is on-going. The contractor is still approximately 3 to 4 weeks behind schedule. Morgan Anderson has placed orders for District purchased items for the ambulance station.

#### **Executive Session:**

There was not an Executive Session.

#### **Announcements:**

The next regular meeting date: November 15, 2021 at KVH Family Medicine, Cle Elum.

There being no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm by Commissioner Rogalski.



# Kittitas County Public Hospital District #2 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: Wedneday: November 3, 2021

Minutes of: Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Meeting Place: KVH Family Medicine Clinic, Cle Elum, WA

Minutes Submitted By: Scott Olander, Treasurer

#### **Call to Order:**

Regular Meeting: Call to order made by Commissioner Rogalski at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Introductions:**

Commissioners: Hartwig Vatheuer, Carrie Youngblood, Kevin Nicholson, Floyd Rogalski and Fred Benjamin. Superintendent: Julie Petersen; Treasurer: Scott Olander; Ancillary Operations: Rhonda Holden and EMS Manager: Geoff Scherer

#### **Approval of Agenda:**

Action: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Vatheuer and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. Motion carried.

#### **Public Comments/Announcements/Correspondence:**

None.

#### **Fire Protection and EMS Principles:**

Julie discussed learnings from a joint meeting between KCFDs # 2 and # 7 that she and Geoff attended. The consolidation discussions between the Fire Districts are very thorough and transparent, however, there is potential for misunderstanding about the role that Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 plays in providing EMS services in upper Kittitas County and the levy funds that are essential to support these EMS services. Collaboration between Fire Districts and EMS providers serving rural areas and communities is essential. Competition between agencies does a disservice to all County residents.

#### **Ambulance Replacement:**

Geoff discussed plans to replace the 2018 ambulance that was recently totaled. Geoff advised that Braun has a Ford chassis with a diesel engine that could be available in February 2022. Dodge chassis are not available until late in 2022 so Geoff is recommending changing to a Ford chassis. It will cost \$5700 to make the change from a

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Dodge chassis to a Ford chassis. The District is expecting to receive and insurance settlement of approximately \$205,000 for the ambulance that was totaled.

#### **Retention Bonus:**

Scott presented a worksheet that projected the cost of a Retention Bonus for District 2 staff similar to that approved by District 1 Commissioners at a cost of approximately \$38,000. Commissioner Youngblood requested that the total Retention Bonus be increased to approximately \$50,000. Scott will calculate how much the individual Retention Bonus will increase so that the total payout is \$50,000 and present it at the Regular board meeting.

#### **Announcements:**

The next regular meeting date: November 15, 2021 at KVH Family Medicine, Cle Elum.

There being no further business the special meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm by Commissioner Rogalski.

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#### Operation's Manager Report - October 2021

	October	October
	2021	2020
Calls for Service	124	123
Patient Count	95	90
Patient Transports	74	69
Patient Refusals	14	14
Year to Date Transports	712	640
Station #73 Transports	34	
Station # 99 Transports	40	
Passed Calls	1	

#### **PERSONNEL**

We have 4 new per diem EMT's, I will work on getting pictures of all the staff for the Board. One per diem medic has taken and passed the county protocol test and is cleared to start her ride time. She needs to have 50 ALS calls before being able to work independently.

#### **APPARATUS**

M7 was involved in a traffic accident and is totaled. I am working with the insurance company for reimbursement of the vehicle cost. Arron and I removed about 90% of the add on equipment from M7 to be used in one of our next ambulance builds. I changed the chassis on M9 from a Dodge to a Ford F350 diesel at a cost of \$8,480. This will move us up in the production line with a completion date of the end of February 2022. Dodge chassis will not be available until sometime in 2023. Braun will work on a quote for a Ford F350 ambulance to replace M7. Fire District #6 has offered to loan us M4 if we need to have another ambulance.

Year	Unit	Beg ODO	End ODO	Miles	Location	Comments
2019	M8	41,890	45,574	3,684	Station 99	1st Out
2018	M7		87,439			Totaled
2016	M6	124,638	127,342	2,704	Station 73	1 <sup>st</sup> Out
2016	M5	139,154	139,211	57	Station 99	Backup
Total Miles				6,445		

#### **MISCELLANES**

- Mental Health Transports October 2021=6, October 2020=5, October 2019=2
- Flooring has been ordered for 505 Power St.; I have been unable to find an electrician to install new LED lights in place of the older fluorescent lights.
- We had 22 out of county transports in October 2021.
- June Level Zero Hours 10.5
- Overlapping calls

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Percent	29.9%	41.7%	24.8%	12.4%	20.5%	30.9%	25.2%	35%	26.8%	33.6%		
Calls	44	50	29	12	25	44	38	54	37	41		

#### **Kittitas County Hospital District #2**

#### Patient Transport Count per Destination - 2021

Hospital	YTD	Oct	Nov	Dec
Centeral Washington Hospital	4	0		
Harborview	36	6		
KVH	505	52		
Snoqualmie Valley Hospital	20	2		
Swedish Issaquah	57	6		
Virginia Mason	13	2		
Yakima Regional	0	0		
Yakima Memorial	15	3		
Childrens	7	1		
University of Washington	6	0		
Valley Renton	14	0		
Overlake	30	2		

	YTD	Oct	Nov	Dec
Out of County Transports	198	22		

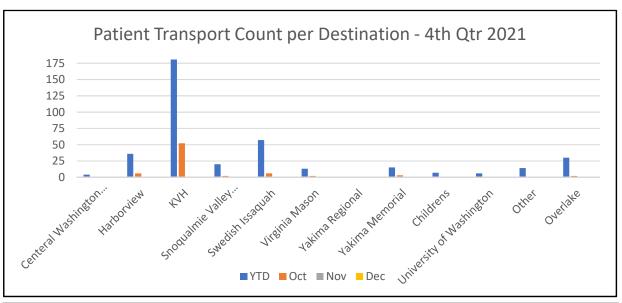
#### **Call For Service Per Zone**

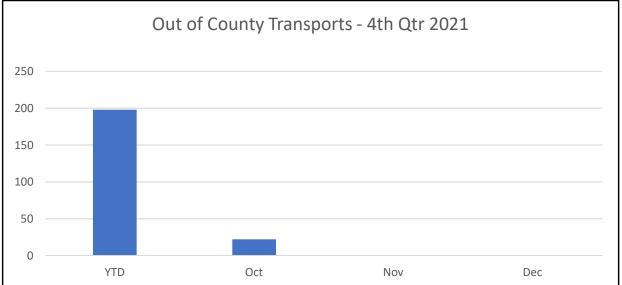
Zone	YTD	Oct	Nov	Dec
Snoqualmie Pass	174	15		
Fire District 8	12	0		
Fire District 7	385	38		
Cle Elum	338	30		
Easton	87	6		
Ronald	79	9		
Urgent Care	51	5		
Roslyn	88	10		
South Cle Elum	42	7		
Family Medicine - Cle Elum	8	1		
KVH	47	3		
Other	21	2		

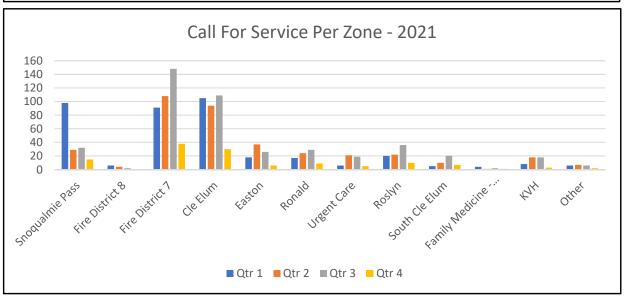
Zone	YTD	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4
Snoqualmie Pass	174	98	29	32	15
Fire District 8	12	6	4	2	0
Fire District 7	385	91	108	148	38
Cle Elum	338	105	94	109	30
Easton	87	18	37	26	6
Ronald	79	17	24	29	9
Urgent Care	51	6	21	19	5
Roslyn	88	20	22	36	10
South Cle Elum	42	5	10	20	7
Family Medicine - Cle Elum	8	4	1	2	1
KVH	47	8	18	18	3
Other	21	6	7	6	2

Comments:

Hospital District 2 Ambulance Transports			2021			
Hospital Transport Destination	County	YTD 2021	<b>Annualized</b>	<u> 2020</u>	2019	2018
Central Washington Hospital	Chelan	4	5	5	5	1
KVH	Kittitas	505	606	551	532	570
Harborview	King County	36	43	29	29	31
Snoqualmie Valley Hospital	King County	20	24	13	37	31
Swedish Issaquah	King County	57	68	84	71	56
Virginia Mason	King County	13	16	4	14	20
Childrens	King County	7	8	3	6	6
Univesity of Washingtoon	King County	6	7	5	2	11
Valley Renton	King County	14	17	4	2	1
Overlake	King County	30	36	30	33	18
Yakima Regional	Yakima	0	-	0	16	28
Yakima Memorial	Yakima	15	18	24	26	33
Other						
Total		707	848	752	773	806
Out of County		198	238	201	253	248
Mileage		79324	95,189	86046	93171	99084
Mileage						
	Chelan		0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	0.1%
	Kittitas		71%	73%	69%	71%
	King County		26%	23%	25%	22%
	Yakima		2%	3%	5%	8%

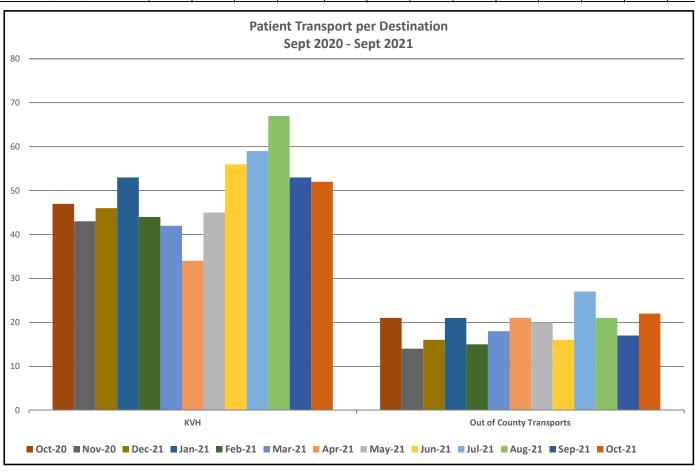




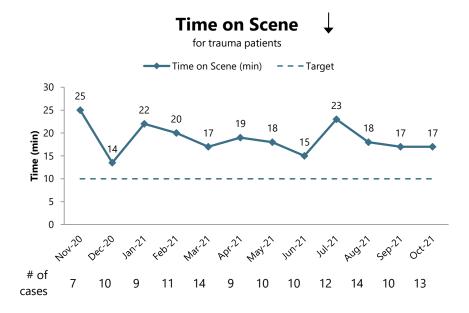


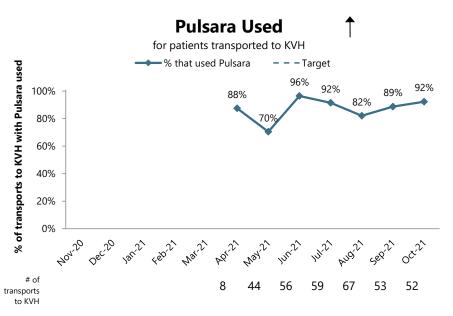
#### **Patient Transport per Destination**

Hospital	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-21	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21
Central Washington Hospital	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
Harborview	3	4	6	4	2	4	6	3	2	5	2	2	6
Snoqualmie Valley Hospital	0	0	0	4	4	2	1	0	3	3	1	0	2
Swedish Issaquah	12	6	3	7	5	4	6	8	3	8	8	2	6
Virginia Mason	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	3	2	2
Yakima Regional	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Yakima Memorial	0	3	4	2	0	0	2	1	3	3	1	0	3
Children's	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	1
University of Washington	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0
Other	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	2	2	4	0
Overlake	3	1	3	3	2	8	3	3	3	3	1	2	2
KVH	47	43	46	53	44	42	34	45	56	59	67	53	52
Out of County Transports	21	14	16	21	15	18	21	20	16	27	21	17	22



# Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 Quality Metrics

















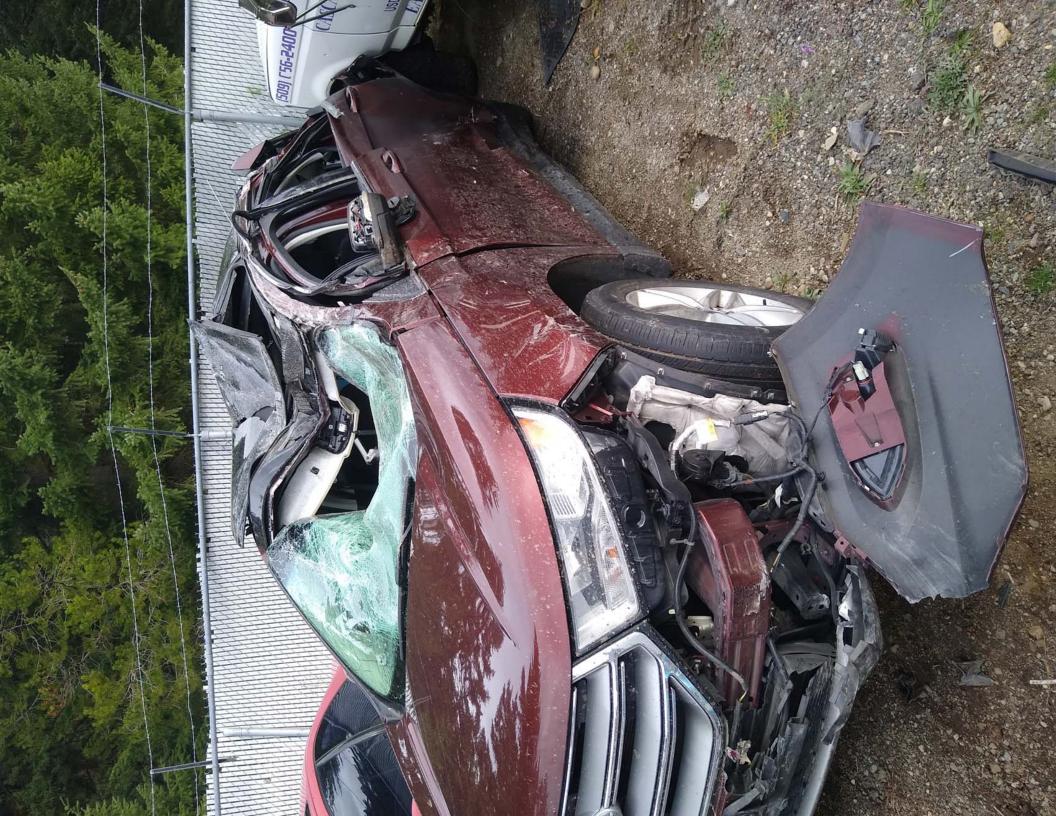












## Ancillary Services report to Hospital District #2 Board of Commissioners November 2021

#### **Ancillary Service Operation Report:**

#### **FMC Physical Therapy**

I am working with John L. Scott on finding a new location for FMC PT to support our continued growth. There are opportunities for purchasing or long term leasing of space.

#### Covid-19:

We successfully transferred our weekend Covid-19 testing back to the Urgent Care due to a low weekend testing volume.

#### **Community Growth:**

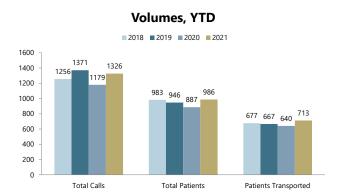
I attended Forterra's presentation on November 7<sup>th</sup> to review their design concept for 115 homes on the Number 4 mine site adjacent to the Coal Miner's trail and Ducktown. Their next steps are to take the conceptual design to the Roslyn City Council for approval to move ahead. They are planning a mix of single family homes, multiple family homes and commercial space at an "affordable" price point.

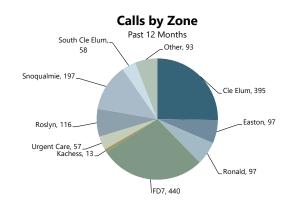
I also attended a presentation by Cle Elum City Heights on October 28. They are planning to build an initial 68 homes in the Northern Urban Growth Area of Cle Elum and expand that to 998 over the next 10-15 years. Most residents present shared concerns related to traffic and limited number of entrances/exits to the home sites. They have planned a mix of open space, parks, bike trails, hiking trails, and an outdoor center in addition to the homes. The price of the homes are anticipated to be in the range of \$400,000 - \$700,000.

I will continue to attend future meetings of both of these groups as well as 47 Degrees North. As the community grows, Hospital District 2 will need to be planning for future growth to support the needs of the community.

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Holden, MSN, CENP

#### Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2

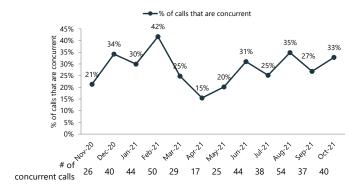




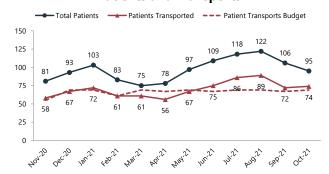
#### **Concurrent Calls, YTD**



#### **Concurrent Calls**



#### **Patients and Transports**



#### **Days Cash on Hand**



YTD values through end of previous month

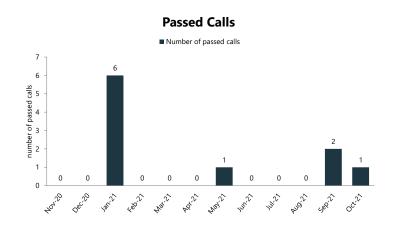
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#### **Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2**

#### **Turnout Time - Dispatch to Enroute**

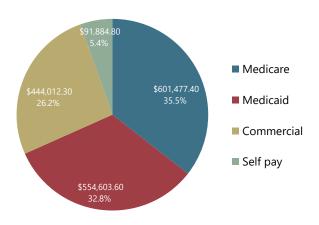
11/1/2020 to 10/31/2021

Apparatus	Responses	Turnout Time
A511 (CEFD)	0	
CEFD Overall	0	
A731 (FD7)	3	6:23
FD7 Overall	3	6:23
M931(HD2)	567	2:18
M932 (HD2)	17	1:22
M991 (HD2)	792	1:58
M992 (HD2)	82	1:55
HD2 Overall	1458	2:05



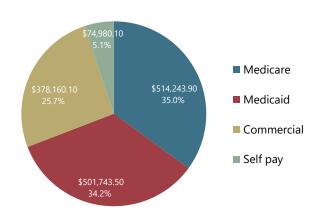
#### **Payor Mix by Charges**

7/1/2020 to 6/30/2021



#### **Payor Mix by Charges**

7/1/2019 to 6/30/2020



YTD values through end of previous month

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10/31/2021 COMBINED

#### Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2 Statement of Revenue and Expense

MEDICAL BILLABLE RUNS AVERAGE CHARGE PER RUN	74 2,456	69 2,197	5 259	712 2,114	676 2,199	36 (85)	642 2,067
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L		Current Month	Variance	Actual	Year to Date	Variance	Prior YTD
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	לוו
INTEREST INCOME	(1,085)	100	(1,185)	(2,717)	1,000	(3,717)	11,907
RENTAL INCOME	23,719	23,719	(0)	237,189	237,188	0	232,390
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	3,557	0	3,557	20,753
AMBULANCE REVENUE	181,778	151,611	30,167	1,505,400	1,486,770	18,630	1,327,053
TOTAL REVENUE	204,412	175,430	28,982	1,743,428	1,724,958	18,470	1,592,103
CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	69,076	59,447	9,629	575,458	582,964	(7,506)	500,034
BAD DEBT	10,907	7,406	3,501	84,632	72,631	12,001	61,455
CHARITY CARE	0	305	(305)	3,098	3,046	52	2,577
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	79,982	67,158	12,824	663,188	658,641	4,547	564,066
NET OPERATING REVENUE	124,430	108,272	16,158	1,080,241	1,066,317	13,923	1,028,037
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SALARIES AND WAGES	107,452	101,925	5,527	983,992	999,648	(15,656)	884,914
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	35,713	33,448	2,265	328,814	331,865	(3,051)	302,428
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0	1,265	(1,265)	12,536	12,648	(112)	26,131
SUPPLIES UTILITIES	12,119	11,745	374	110,068	116,893	(6,825)	118,807
PURCHASED SERVICES	3,402 27,010	2,652 22,600	750 4,410	25,613 224,017	26,523 230,796	(911) (6,779)	23,728 213,564
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	15,935	15,935		159,346	159,345	(6,779)	156,222
DEPRECIATION	22,948	27,430	(0) (4,482)	242,189	274,308	(32,119)	262,650
INSURANCE	3,173	2,517	(4,462) 656	32,309	25,171	7,138	22,882
LICENSES AND TAXES	1,298	1,250	48	12,356	12,500	(144)	11,905
INTEREST EXPENSE	10,809	10,809	0	108,093	108,094	(144)	116,087
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	4,519	2,909	1,610	19,331	29,096	(9,765)	6,595
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	1,253	817	436	7,488	8,173	(685)	8,173
EXPENSES	245,630	235,302	10,328	2,266,151	2,335,060	(68,909)	2,154,086
ODEDATING INCOME (LOSS)	(424 200)	(127.020)	5,830	(4 105 010)	(4 260 742)	02 022	(4 426 049)
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(121,200)	(127,030)	5,630	(1,185,910)	(1,268,742)	82,832	(1,126,048)
TAX LEVY INCOME	130,310	130,238	72	1,316,844	1,302,374	14,470	1,238,990
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV OR I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	9,110	3,208	5,902	130,934	33,632	97,302	112,942
DAVO CACIL ON HAND	400.0						
DAYS CASH ON HAND	486.0						
AR DAYS CURRENT RATIO	87.8 5.70						
CORRENT RATIO	5.70						
COMMITTED CAPITAL FUNDS:							
AMBULANCE GARAGE	4,140,307						
TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDS	4,140,307						
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS	3,184,531						
COMMITTED FUNDS BALANCE	955,776						
TW CLARK TOTAL CONTRACT	2,589,000						
TOTAL PAID	2,421,537						
TW CLARK BALANCE	167,463						
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DAYS CASH AFTER COMMITTED	341						

#### Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2 Statement of Revenue and Expense

MEDICAL BILLABLE RUNS	74	69	5	712	676	36	642
AVERAGE CHARGE PER RUN	2,456	2,197	259	2,114	2,199	(85)	2,067
		Current Month			Year to Date		Prior
_	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD
INTEREST INCOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RENTAL INCOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	3,557	0	3,557	2,260
AMBULANCE REVENUE	181,778	151,611	30,167	1,505,400	1,486,770	18,630	1,327,053
TOTAL REVENUE	181,778	151,611	30,167	1,508,957	1,486,770	22,187	1,329,313
CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	69,076	59,447	9,629	575,458	582,964	(7,506)	500,034
BAD DEBT	10,907	7,406	3,501	84,632	72,631	12,001	61,455
CHARITY CARE	0	305	(305)	3,098	3,046	52	2,577
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	79,982	67,158	12,824	663,188	658,641	4,547	564,066
NET OPERATING REVENUE	101,796	84.453	17,343	845.769	828,129	17,640	765,247
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SALARIES AND WAGES	106,656	101,302	5,354	981,341	993,416	(12,075)	879,090
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	35,650	33,400	2,250	328,607	331,389	(2,782)	301,974
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0	0	0	0	0	) O	0
SUPPLIES	12,119	11,742	377	110,044	116,863	(6,819)	118,777
UTILITIES	1,429	2,499	(1,070)	19,867	24,992	(5,126)	22,197
PURCHASED SERVICES	17,662	13,752	3,910	128,570	137,514	(8,944)	127,885
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	0	0	0	0	0	) O	0
DEPRECIATION	8,970	13,196	(4,226)	105,122	131,964	(26,842)	125,132
INSURANCE	715	649	66	7,535	6,496	1,038	5,905
LICENSES AND TAXES	1,298	1,250	48	12,356	12,500	(144)	11,905
INTEREST EXPENSE	0	0	0	0	0	) O	0
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	4,519	2,893	1,626	19,331	28,934	(9,603)	6,434
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	888	57	831	2,099	570	1,529	570
EXPENSES	189,907	180,740	9,167	1,714,871	1,784,639	(69,768)	1,599,869
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(88,111)	(96,287)	8,176	(869,102)	(956,510)	87,409	(834,622)
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TAX LEVY INCOME	62,956	62,947	9	632,966	629,466	3,500	592,878
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV OR I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(25,155)	(33,340)	8,185	(236,136)	(327,044)	90,908	(241,744)

#### Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2 Statement of Revenue and Expense

	Current Month		Year to Date			Prior	
<u> </u>	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD
INTEREST INCOME	(1,085)	100	(1,185)	(2,717)	1,000	(3,717)	11,907
RENTAL INCOME	23,719	23,719	(0)	237,189	237,188	0	232,390
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,493
AMBULANCE REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	22,634	23,819	(1,185)	234,471	238,188	(3,717)	262,790
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CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BAD DEBT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHARITY CARE DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0 <b>0</b>	0
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
NET OPERATING REVENUE	22,634	23,819	(1,185)	234,471	238,188	(3,717)	262,790
SALARIES AND WAGES	705	622	170	2.651	6 222	(2 591)	E 924
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	795 62	623 48	172 14	2,651 207	6,232 476	(3,581) (269)	5,824 454
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0	1,265	(1,265)	12,536	12,648	(112)	26,131
SUPPLIES	0	1,203	(3)	25	30	(5)	20,131
UTILITIES	1,972	153	1,819	5,746	1,531	4,215	1,531
PURCHASED SERVICES	9,348	8,848	500	95,446	93,281	2,165	85,678
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	15,935	15,935	(0)	159,346	159,345	2,103	156,222
DEPRECIATION	13,977	14,234	(257)	137,068	142,344	(5,276)	137,518
INSURANCE	2,459	1,868	591	24,774	18,674	6,099	16,978
LICENSES AND TAXES	2,439	0	0	0	0	0,099	0,970
INTEREST EXPENSE	10,809	10,809	0	108,093	108,094	(1)	116,087
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	0	16,003	(16)	0	162	(162)	162
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	365	760	(395)	5,389	7,603	(2,214)	7,603
EXPENSES	55,723	54,562	1,161	551,280	550,420	859	554,216
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OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(33,089)	(30,743)	(2,346)	(316,808)	(312,232)	(4,577)	(291,426)
TAX LEVY INCOME	67,354	67,291	63	683,878	672,908	10,970	646,117
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV OR I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	34,265	36,548	(2,283)	367,070	360,676	6,394	354,691
NET INCOME (EGGG)	34,203	30,340	(2,203)	307,070	300,070	0,554	334,031
DAYS CASH ON HAND	486.0						
AR DAYS	87.8						
CURRENT RATIO	5.70						
COMMITTED CAPITAL FUNDS:							
AMBULANCE GARAGE	4,140,307						
TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDS	4,140,307						
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS	3,184,531						
COMMITTED FUNDS BALANCE	955,776						
TW CLARK TOTAL CONTRACT	2,589,000						
TOTAL PAID	2,589,000						
TW CLARK BALANCE	167,463						
IVV CLARR DALANCE	107,403						
DAYS CASH AFTER COMMITTED	341						

### **Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2**

### **Balance Sheet**

	Year to Date	Prior Year End	<u>Change</u>
CASH	2,913,857	2,393,387	520,470
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	205,054	263,677	(58,623)
TAXES RECEIVABLE	609,134	40,657	568,477
PREPAIDS	21,851	13,862	7,989
INVESTMENTS	295,189	3,073,167	(2,777,978)
CURRENT ASSETS	4,045,086	5,784,751	(1,739,666)
LAND	843,524	843,524	0
PROPERTY, PLANT, & EQUIPMENT	9,768,803	7,549,598	2,219,205
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	(3,790,693)	(3,548,504)	(242,189)
NON CURRENT ASSETS	6,821,634	4,844,618	1,977,016
NET PENSION ASSET	484,323	484,323	0
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	102,205	102,205	0
ASSETS	11,453,248	11,215,897	237,351
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	90,511	123,734	(33,223)
INTEREST PAYABLE	52,866	11,080	41,786
ACCRUED PAYROLL	26,204	32,979	(6,775)
ACCRUED BENEFITS	91,932	76,606	15,326
CEUCC SUBSIDY PAYABLE	159,346	187,466	(28,120)
CURRENT PORTION REVENUE BOND - LTGO	288,551	288,551	0
CURRENT LIABILITIES	709,410	720,416	(11,007)
LONG TERM REVENUE BOND - LTGO	3,478,841	3,622,073	(143,232)
NET PENSION LIABILITY	16,233	16,233	0
DEFERRED INFLOWS - PENSION	490,909	490,909	0
DEFERRED INFLOWS - LEVY	260,654	(1)	260,655
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	4,246,637	4,129,214	117,423
LIABILITIES	4,956,046	4,849,630	106,417
NET INCOME (LOSS)	130,934	(0)	130,934
UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	6,366,267	6,366,267	0
FUND BALANCE	6,497,202	6,366,267	130,934
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	11,453,248	11,215,897	237,351

#### **Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2**

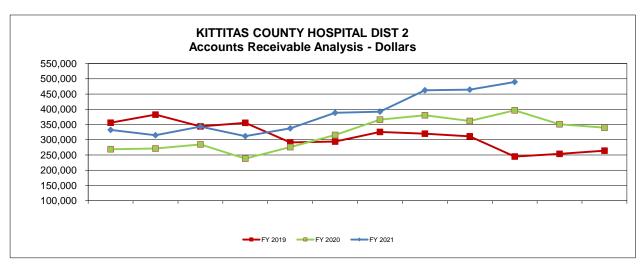
### Statement of Cash Flows

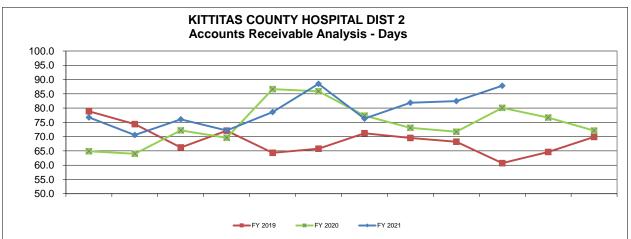
	CASH
NET BOOK INCOME	130,934
ADD BACK NON-CASH EXPENSE	
DEPRECIATION OPERATIONS	242,189
NET CASH FROM OPERATIONS	373,123
CHANGE IN CURRENT ASSETS	
PATIENT ACCOUNTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES	58,623
PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE	(568,477)
PREPAID EXPENSE	(7,989)
TOTAL CHANGE IN CURRENT ASSETS	(517,843)
DUDOUACE OF DEODEDTY DI ANT & FOUIDMENT	(2.240.205)
PURCHASE OF PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT NET PENSION ASSET	(2,219,205)
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	0
INCREASE IN INVESTMENTS	2,777,978
PROCEEDS FROM SALE/MATURITY OF INVESTMENTS	_,,
TOTAL CHANGE IN ASSETS	40,930
CHANGES IN CURRENT LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	(33,223)
INTEREST PAYABLE	41,786
ACCRUED PAYROLL	(6,775)
ACCRUED BENEFITS	15,326
CEUCC SUBSIDY PAYABLE	(28,120)
TOTAL CHANGE CURRENT LIABILITIES	(11,007)
PRINCIPLE PAYMENT ON REVENUE BOND	(4.42.222)
NET PENSION LIABILITY	(143,232)
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	260,655
DELETITED IN LOWO OF INCOONINGED	200,000
NET CHANGE IN CASH	520,470
BEGINNING CASH ON HAND	2,393,387



#### KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIST 2 Accounts Receivable Analysis

	Oct-21	Sep-21	Aug-21	Jul-21	Jun-21	May-21	Apr-21	Mar-21	Feb-21	Jan-21	Dec-20	Nov-20
SYS DESIGN EMS												
A/R Dollars	489,456	464,532	462,266	392,312	388,546	337,280	311,819	\$ 342,977	\$ 314,937	332,284	339,877	350,930
A/R Days	87.8	82.5	81.9	76.3	88.5	78.6	72.2	76.1	70.6	76.7	72.1	76.7







#### **KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIST 2**

#### **BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 2021 ACTIVITY**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANTS/ EF		CI	HECK DATE:	
# 1 WARRANT NUMBERS:	12435-12468	NET AMOUNT:	104,548.97	4-Oct-21
# 2 WARRANT NUMBERS:	12469-12518	NET AMOUNT:	485,733.43	19-Oct-21
# 3 WARRANT NUMBERS: (VOID)	12394	NET AMOUNT:	(90.00)	19-Oct-21
# 4 WARRANT NUMBERS:	12519-12520	NET AMOUNT:	1,427.58	29-Oct-21
			591,619.98	
PAYROLL WARRANTS / EFTS TO BE A	APPROVED			
PPE 09/25/2021		NET AMOUNT:	30,399.18	1-Oct-21
PPE 10/09/2021		NET AMOUNT:	29,464.32	15-Oct-21
PPE 10/23/2021		NET AMOUNT:	34,287.87	29-Oct-21
			94,151.37	
TOTAL NET WARRANTS & EFT'S			685,771.35	



Account Class	Check No Vendor	Amount
<b>Balance Sheet</b>	12435 AUTOMATED CONTROLS	15,269.04
	12446 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	769.23
	12447 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	3,625.20
	12448 IAFF 4880	1,366.00
	12448 IAFF 4880	1,263.46
	12467 U.S. BANK	53,916.19
	12469 AFLAC	740.27
	12471 BAER TESTING, INC.	1,740.00
	12477 CITY OF CLE ELUM	50.00
	12482 DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY	780.00
	12483 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES	3,188.91
	12484 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	3,386.58
	12485 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	270.60
	12487 EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT	739.21
	12488 EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT	730.40
	12496 KDA ARCHITECTURE INC	15,497.86
	12497 KITTCOM	13,670.57
	12498 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	3,250.00
	12514 TW CLARK CONSTRUCTION, LLC	401,475.69
<b>Employee Benefits</b>	12394 DAKODA FENTER	(30.00)
	12394 DAKODA FENTER	(60.00)
	12436 BETH WILLIAMS	172.80
	12437 BETH WILLIAMS	30.00
	12440 CAROL JACQUES	90.00
	12442 COLE GRAVEL	75.00
	12443 CRAIG HALLMARK	15.00
	12445 DAKODA FENTER	75.00
	12447 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	2,593.26
	12450 JAMES BRYAN	15.00
	12452 JASON BOITANO	30.00
	12453 JEFF BEATY	30.00
	12456 LEE HADDEN	15.00
	12458 MATT SCHAUER	75.00
	12461 NATE HENDERSON	60.00
	12464 SONYA VRAVES	15.00
	12465 STEVE CHRISMAN	45.00
	12466 TOM WATKINS	30.00
	12468 VIMLY BENEFIT SOLUTIONS	20,314.83
	12473 CAROL JACQUES	45.00
	12479 COLE GRAVEL	60.00
	12480 CRAIG HALLMARK	15.00
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	12481 DAKODA FENTER	30.00
	12481 DAKODA FENTER	60.00
	12484 DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	2,425.42
	12493 JAMES BRYAN	30.00
	12495 JEFF BEATY	75.00
	12499 LEE HADDEN	15.00
	12501 MATT MCCABE	30.00
	12502 MATT SCHAUER	15.00
	12505 NATE HENDERSON	75.00
	12512 STEVE CHRISMAN	45.00
Supplies	12439 CARDINAL HEALTH 112, LLC	82.91
	12451 JAMES OIL CO., INC.	885.59
	12455 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	44.20
	12457 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	7.03
	12463 OXARC INC	143.26
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	12470 AMERICAN PROFICIENCY INSTITUTE	848.00
	12472 CARDINAL HEALTH 112, LLC	229.06
	12472 CARDINAL HEALTH 112, LLC	9.17
	12476 CITY OF CLE ELUM	111.21
	12489 GALLS, LLC	129.29
	12490 GEOFF SCHERER	110.65
	12491 HAMILTON MEDICAL	309.75
	12491 HAMILTON MEDICAL	1,940.00
	12494 JAMES OIL CO., INC.	421.93
	12498 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	64.04
	12498 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	858.13
	12500 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	33.16
	12500 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	533.52
	12500 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	90.98
	12500 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	710.70
	12500 LIFE ASSIST, INC.	339.60
	12507 OXARC INC	143.26
	12507 OXARC INC	270.86
	12507 OXARC INC	124.62
	12511 STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	3,101.08
Utilities	12441 CENTURYLINK	126.79
	12459 MCI	38.63
	12476 CITY OF CLE ELUM	116.60
	12476 CITY OF CLE ELUM 12476 CITY OF CLE ELUM	518.67
		235.78 91.76
	12492 INLAND NETWORKS	
	12492 INLAND NETWORKS	150.00
	12508 PUGET SOUND ENERGY	42.61
	12508 PUGET SOUND ENERGY 12508 PUGET SOUND ENERGY	31.44 166.06
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	12300 FUGET SOUND ENERGY	10.16

	12516 VERIZON	1,846.92
	12520 DISH NETWORK	129.79
Purchased Services	12438 BRAUN NW INC	427.43
	12440 CAROL JACQUES	35.00
	12449 JACKSON HORSLEY	400.00
	12454 KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #7	350.00
	12454 KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #7	200.00
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	12454 KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #7	350.00
	12460 MICROSOFT	445.50
	12460 MICROSOFT	15.12
	12474 CASCADE DOOR & REMODEL	118.80
	12478 CITY OF CLE ELUM FIRE DEPARTMENT	200.00
	12478 CITY OF CLE ELUM FIRE DEPARTMENT	200.00
	12486 EMERGENCY REPORTING	3,075.19
	12498 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	4,225.93
	12498 KITTITAS VALLEY HEALTHCARE	5,586.35
	12503 MICROSOFT	445.50
	12503 MICROSOFT	15.12
	12504 MOUNTAIN AUTO PARTS	52.10
	12504 MOUNTAIN AUTO PARTS	35.58
	12506 NORTHWEST FABRICATIONS LLC	237.60
	12506 NORTHWEST FABRICATIONS LLC	743.47
	12506 NORTHWEST FABRICATIONS LLC	237.60
	12506 NORTHWEST FABRICATIONS LLC	502.75
	12509 SETH MOTORS	122.93
	12513 SYSTEMS DESIGN	1,769.55
	12515 UNITED RENTALS	161.46
	12517 WILLETTE'S TOWING LLC	397.44
	12518 WILLETTES SHELL SERVICE	447.69
	12518 WILLETTES SHELL SERVICE	1,515.41
	12518 WILLETTES SHELL SERVICE	509.60
Licenses & Taxes	12519 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE-EXCISE	1,297.79
Travel & Education	12436 BETH WILLIAMS	133.28
	12475 CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY	2,844.39
	12510 SONYA VRAVES	78.40
Other Direct Expenses	12444 DAILY RECORD	65.96
	12462 NORTHERN KITTITAS CO TRIBUNE	45.00
	12462 NORTHERN KITTITAS CO TRIBUNE	320.00
		591,619.98

# Station 99 report to Hospital District #2 Board of Commissioners October 2021

### **Construction Timeline:**

We are now looking at the first week of December for completion. There were delays in getting garage doors, glass, and air-conditioning coils. The coils and doors are here, and glass expected by 11/12.

## **Work Progress:**

Power is expected to be turned on the week of 11/8 Garage doors are being installed, and HVAC install being finalized. Concrete floors have been sealed. Regular doors are being installed. Phone and internet are to the building and awaiting power. Planning on that being finalized on 11/15. System startups will begin the week of 11/15. The construction fence will come down by 11/19.

### **Pending RFI:**

None

## **Pending COP:**

COP 40 was submitted for feeder wire from the PSE transformer to the building meter. The initial cost of the COP was \$13,425. We agreed partial liability between the contractor, electrical engineer and HD2. The revised COP is now \$8,954.27. This value will be split with the electrical engineer. New owner amount is \$4477.

COP 42 was generated for some additional hydro seeding requested by owner. The 5 LB seed mix is \$15,000.02 Submitted for review on 11/9. This work has been submitted for approval. COP 43 was generated to add rock and fabric to the south side under the drip edge to prevent erosion. The rock bed will go around the west side of the building the water collection area. The COP is \$10,650.11. Submitted for review 11/11/21.

Note: the variance below takes into account all COP's, but not all owner costs.

<b>Board Resolution</b>	\$4,140,307.00
Construction contract	\$2,913,475.00
Construction contract tax	\$233,078.00
Total Construction budget	\$3,146,553.00
Total construction cost to date	
with all CCD and change orders	\$3,371,945.27
<b>Construction Variance</b>	\$225,392.27
Owner budget	\$993,754.00
Projected Owner cost to date	\$761,309.33
Total Projected Project cost to	
date	\$4,133,254.60
Project Variance to date	-\$7,052.40

Respectfully submitted by Ron Urlacher, Chief of Facilities

















# Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 2022 Projected Operating Budget

	EMS			District Amin	Total	
Net Operating Revenues		992,000.00	\$	282,500.00	\$	- 1,274,500.00 -
Operating Expenses		2,031,550.00	\$	660,750.00	\$	2,692,300.00
Net from Operations	\$	(1,039,550.00)	\$	(378,250.00)	\$	- (1,417,800.00)
Non Operating						
Levy - EMS	\$	793,000.00	\$	-	\$	793,000.00
Levy - Regular	\$	-	\$	849,000.00	\$	849,000.00
Net Non Operating	\$	793,000.00	\$	849,000.00	\$	1,642,000.00
Net Gain/Loss	\$	(246,550.00)	\$	470,750.00	\$	224,200.00



# Ordinance / Resolution No. <u>11-15-21-03</u> RCW 84.55.120

WHEREAS, the	Board of Commissioners	of	Kittitas County Public has met and consi Hospital Dist 2/EMS			
((	Governing body of the taxing district	)	(Name of the taxing district)			
its budget for the ca	alendar year <u>2022</u> ; an	ıd,				
WHEREAS, the di	stricts actual levy amount fron	n the pi	revious year was \$	755,622.32; and, jous year's levy amount)		
WHEREAS, the po	opulation of this district is 🛛		_	00; and now, therefore,		
BE IT RESOLVE	<b>D</b> by the governing body of the	e taxing	g district that an increase in	the regular property tax levy		
is hereby authorized	d for the levy to be collected in		2022 tax year.			
The dollar amount of	of the increase over the actual	levy an	nount from the previous yea	ar shall be \$ _7,556.22		
which is a percentag	ge increase of $1.0$ % (Percentage increase)		the previous year. This incr	ease is exclusive of		
	resulting from new constructio geothermal facilities, and any and refunds made.					
Adopted this	15 day of November	er	<u>, 2021</u> .			
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# If additional signatures are necessary, please attach additional page.

This form or its equivalent must be submitted to your county assessor prior to their calculation of the property tax levies. A certified budget/levy request, separate from this form is to be filed with the County Legislative Authority no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>. As required by RCW 84.52.020, that filing certifies the <u>total amount to be levied</u> by the regular property tax levy. The Department of Revenue provides the "Levy Certification" form (REV 64 0100) for this purpose. The form can be found at: <a href="http://dor.wa.gov/docs/forms/PropTx/Forms/LevyCertf.doc.">http://dor.wa.gov/docs/forms/PropTx/Forms/LevyCertf.doc.</a>

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# Ordinance / Resolution No. <u>11-15-21-04</u> RCW 84.55.120

WHEREAS, the	Board of Commissioners	ners of Kittitas County Public has met and consi Hospital Dist 2/Maintenance			
((	Governing body of the taxing district	<del>-</del> t)	(Name of the taxing district)	_	
its budget for the ca	alendar year <u>2022</u> ; ar	nd,			
WHEREAS, the di	stricts actual levy amount from	m the pr	revious year was \$ 8 (Previous	; and, syear's levy amount)	
WHEREAS, the po	opulation of this district is $igtigtigtigtigtigtigtigtarrow$		han or less than 10,000;	and now, therefore,	
BE IT RESOLVE	<b>D</b> by the governing body of the	e taxing	g district that an increase in the	e regular property tax levy	
is hereby authorized	d for the levy to be collected in		2022 tax year. ar of collection)		
The dollar amount of	of the increase over the actual	levy ar	mount from the previous year s	hall be \$ 8,083.03	
which is a percentage	ge increase of 1.0 % (Percentage increase		the previous year. This increas	se is exclusive of	
	geothermal facilities, and any		rovements to property, newly of see in the value of state assessed		
Adopted this	15 day of Novemb	oer	_,2021		
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# KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 2

# **RESOLUTION 11-15-21-05** SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY

The District has determined the following item to be no longer required for Public Hospital District purposes and hereby declare them as surplus.

These items may be sold or disposed of in succondition as the Board finds to be in the best	-
See Exhibit A attached.	
DATED this 15th day of November 2021	
Floyd Rogalski, President Board of Commissioners	Hartwig, Vatheuer, Secretary Board of Commissioners

# EXHIBIT A

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# **September is National Suicide Prevention Month**

According to the Centers for Disease Control and National Institute of Mental Health, suicide rates have increased by 35% since 1999.

When a suicide-related crisis occurs, friends and family are often caught off-guard, unprepared, unsure of what to do. Behaviors of a person in a crisis can be unpredictable, changing dramatically without warning.

There are a few ways to approach a suicide-crisis:

Talk openly and honestly. Don't be afraid to ask questions like:

"Do you have a plan for how you would kill yourself?"

Remove means such as guns, knives or stockpiled pills

Calmly ask simple, direct questions, like "Can I help you call your psychiatrist?"

If there are multiple people around, have one person speak at a time

Express support and concern

Don't argue, threaten or raise your voice

Don't debate whether suicide is right or wrong

If you're nervous, try not to fidget or pace

Be patient

Like any other health emergency, it's important to address a mental health crisis like suicide quickly and effectively.

If your friend or family member struggles with suicidal ideation day-to-day, let them know that they can talk with you about what they are going through. Adopt an open and compassionate mindset. Instead of arguing, try reflecting their feelings and summarizing their thoughts. This can help your loved one feel heard and validated.

Let them know that mental health professionals are trained to help people understand their feelings and improve mental wellness and resiliency. Suicidal thoughts are a symptom, just like any other — they can be treated, and they can improve over time. There is hope.

Learn more at nami.org Kittitas Valley Healthcare Your Home for Health

If you or someone you know is in an emergency, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-TALK (8255) or call 911 immediately.

# October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Domestic violence is a pattern of coercive, controlling behavior that can include physical abuse, emotional or psychological abuse, sexual abuse or financial abuse (using money and financial tools to exert control). Some abusers are able to exert complete control over a victim's every action without ever using violence or only using subtle threats of violence. All types of abuse are devastating to victims.

It is important for survivors to know that the abuse is not their fault, and that they are not alone. Help is available to those who are experiencing domestic violence.

Survivors have options, from obtaining a protection order to staying in a shelter, exploring options through support group, or making an anonymous call to a local domestic violence shelter or national hotline.

There is hope for victims, and they are not alone.

### **National Domestic Violence Hotline**

(confidential & anonymous, support 24/7) 1-800-799-7233, TTY 1-800-787-3224 thehotline.org

# Loveisrespect

(for teens and young adults, confidential & anonymous) 1-866-331-9474, TTY 1-866-331-8453 loveisrespect.org

# WomensLaw.org

(legal information and resources )
Email in English and Spanish: hotline/womenslaw.org/public

# Learn more about available resources at nnedv.org

(National Network to End Domestic Violence)

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Since 2011, KVH Hospital has been home base for management and operation of a sexual assault program in Kittitas County. Local law enforcement agencies, ASPEN, CWU and KVH Hospital work together as a Coordinated Community Response Team. Agencies cooperate from the time of initial report through medical examination, evidence collection, follow-up medical care or counseling for the patient, and potential prosecution of a perpetrator. Funding for medical exams, supplies, and training is provided by the Kittitas County Law and Justice Council, the Crime Victims Fund, ASPEN, KVH, and the Foundation at KVH.

Those who experience a sexual assault may call for police assistance, call ASPEN, or go directly to the ER at KVH Hospital. Care is as confidential as allowed by law; certain legal and parental notifications are required for patients under 18.

When record levels of COVID activity lead to increased demand throughout KVH Hospital, changes have to be made - and quickly.

Last month, KVH made the difficult decision to suspend elective surgeries, redeploying staff to the areas where they are most needed. Among the impacted were the nurses who support our surgery program.

These nurses stepped away from the operating suites where they perform vital work to come alongside their colleagues in our inpatient, critical care and emergency departments. This is just the latest example of the KVH team coming together to support each other, to support our community, to do what needs to be done.

KVH nurses, you model teamwork at its highest level. You go where you are needed, even when it is uncomfortable, and even though it shakes up your personal lives. Different roles, different schedules, different colleagues, different care. Your new teammates encourage and support you, and value you.

In the midst of a global pandemic, KVH nurses are making a difference, and we couldn't be more grateful

KVH nurses, we see you, and we appreciate all that you are doing.

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# Two local fire districts take first step toward Regional Fire Authority

# **Meeting tonight 7pm**

BRIEF NOTE from NKC Tribune writer Jim Fossett: This story was scheduled to run in the Sept. 30 edition. And in it was the announcement of a public meeting scheduled for tonight. My apologies to the fire districts, the citizenry and to stakeholders involved with the Regional Fire Authority initiative. Friday, Oct. 1, the NKC Tribune posted to Facebook tonight's kickoff meeting, and we added it to our online events calendar.

### by Jim Fossett

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CLE ELUM – Kittitas County Fire District-7 is working toward the creation of a Regional Fire Authority officials say would "create a more effective and efficient emergency response system

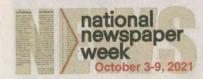
for our community."

Said Bill Dickinson, chair of the district's Board of Commissioners, "Of the ten municipal fire service agencies in Kittitas County, only Fire Districts 2 and 7 provide fulltime, on-duty, 24-by-7-by-365 firefighter services with strong and vibrant volunteer firefighter programs to back up career firefighters.

"So, it makes sense that the two largest fire departments in the county should seek to reduce redundancy and achieve economy of scale."

He said the other eight fire agencies in the county are volunteer fire departments.

"The ten local agencies mentioned here do not include wildland fire agencies from the U.S. Forest Service, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.



"Further, Fire District-2 also incorporates Paramedic EMS services to the majority of the county whereas a good portion of the Upper County is served by a stand-alone (non-fire department) paramedic service."

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He said since April 2019, District-7 has held discussions with Kittitas County Fire District-2, more commonly known as Kittitas Valley Fire Rescue.

"Toward that goal, District-7 contracted with District-2 for the management services of their fire chief as a means of investigating the advantages and potential of consolidating these agencies.

"Since April 2019, District-7 voters improved our revenue stream by passing a Levy Lid Lift back to our original (1979) amount of \$1 per thousand of assessed value. This has allowed us to retain our nine career firefighters. The Board of Fire Commissioners also added a supervisory Day Captain position in 2021."

He said additional efforts include capital improvements to District-7's firefighting fleet. "In 2021, we are rebuilding three water tenders with new chassis. These are 3,000-gallon water trucks, since most of our area has no fire hydrants."

"In 2022, we will be rebuilding four new brush trucks, and in our capital fleet plan we will purchase one new fire engine in 2023."

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he teal uo inche project would add an apper ded electrical sub-station in Agricultural 20 zone within a al Working Land Use. Take a k at the map accompanying s story.

Kittitas PUD officials say the nd pansion is aimed to "better ve the electrical load growth and improve the service reliabilow in the surrounding area."

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He said this year the district purchased the property adjacent to Station 72 located at Airport Road and SR970. "This property will be used to create living quarters so that firefighters can respond from the fire station. This puts a staffed station on both the west and east sides of the district thereby significantly improving response times to all our citizens throughout the district."

He said over the past two and a half years District-7 has made improvements to the system, while suffering under a global pandemic.

"District commissioners continue to work with the KVFR Board and Chief John Sinclair (our shared fire chief) to seek additional efficiencies.

"We will be working with KVFR to create a regional approach to fire and EMS services. All fire jurisdictions within Kittitas County are welcome and invited to join in the regional fire authority concept we are pursuing.

"Today, Thursday, Oct. 7, at 7:00 pm, District 7 and KVFR have committed to starting the process with a joint meeting of the boards at KVFR headquarters. located at Station 29, 400 East Mountain View Avenue in Ellensburg."

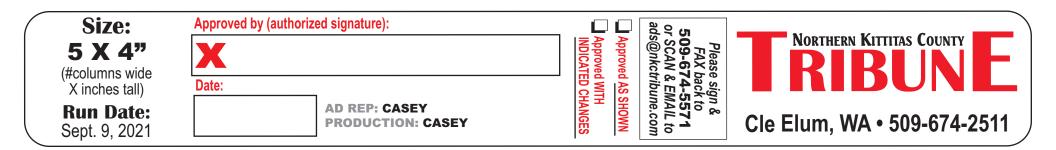
He said the meeting is open to the public and that there would be an opportunity to attend the meeting virtually, too. "Following this initial meeting will be a series of meetings within both fire districts to inform our respective citizens.

"Kittitas County is growing at a very rapid pace. In fact, according to a local developer, 'we are already an urban county just waiting for the houses to be built." Chief Sinclair emphasized, "That means we need to build our fire and EMS response system to meet the coming needs of the community.

"If people have questions, we want to hear them at these meetings or by contacting me personally." Contact Chief John Sinclair with a call to 509-856-7714 or e-mail him at sinclairj@kvfr.org.

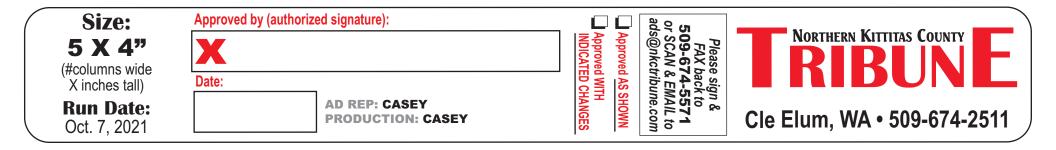


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