August 13, 2020

Mr. Bob Missel
Dodge County Supervisor
Dodge County Courthouse
435 North Park Ave.
Fremont, NE  68025

Dear Mr. Missel:

Fremont Health became Fremont Community Health Resources on October 1st, 2018.  On that same day, Methodist Fremont Health assumed responsibility for the operations of the health system as part of an arrangement to strengthen and grow programs and services in Dodge County and the surrounding region. FCHR is responsible for insuring that the arrangement with Methodist benefits our community, for maintaining the lease for the hospital and nursing home facilities, and for overseeing the now "frozen" Fremont Health Pension Plan.

Despite its new role, FCHR continues to be governed by the Nebraska County Hospital statutes.  Accordingly, the Dodge County Board of Supervisors continues to be responsible for appointing FCHR Board Members.  The FCHR Bylaws calls for three Board Members, each a resident of Dodge County.  The initial Board was Linda McClain for a two-year term, Larry Shepard for a four-year term, and Steve Pribnow for a six-year term.  All three had significant and relevant experience on the Fremont Health Board of Trustees and in numerous other capacities.  I believe they have done a great job during this transition, they possess the requisite knowledge and skill set, and they are extremely committed to their responsibilities.

I am writing to you today because Linda McClain's term is set to expire in October, and at its recent FCHR Board Meeting, I was directed to inform you that Mr. Shepard and Mr. Pribnow would very much like Ms. McClain to be reappointed.  I am happy to inform you that Ms. McClain would like to continue her service to FCHR and the community.  Bob, going forward, all terms are set at six years, but is also possible that some members may not complete their full term and a new member would be sought.

Sincerely,

Patrick Booth, Executive Director - FCHR

CC:     Larry Shepard, Steve Pribnow, Linda McClain