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25.01 HOSPITAL ESTABLISHED. Pursuant to an election held March 25, 1946, the Community Memorial Hospital was created under Chapter 37 of the *Code of Iowa* and authorized to operate as an instrumentality of the City as provided for by the laws of the State.

25.02 MEMBERSHIP. The Board of Commissioners consists of at least five, but not more than seven, members, appointed by the Council. All of the members of the Board shall be bona fide residents of Wright County, Iowa, and all shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years.

25.03 ORGANIZATION. All appointments to the Board shall be for three years except to fill vacancies. Appointments shall be made every year of one-third of the total number to stagger the terms. The position of any Commissioner shall be vacant if said Commissioner moves permanently from the City or if said Commissioner is absent from six (6) consecutive regular meetings of the Board, except in the case of sickness or temporary absence from the City. Vacancies in the Board shall be filled by appointment of the Council, and the new Commissioner shall fill out the unexpired term for which the appointment is made. Commissioners shall receive no compensation for their services on the Board.

25.04 POWERS AND DUTIES. The Board shall meet and elect from its members a Chairperson, a Secretary, and such other officers as it deems necessary and shall have and exercise all of the powers and duties necessary for the management, control, and government of the City's hospital.

25.05 COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. No Commissioner shall receive any compensation for services performed but may receive reimbursement for any cash expenses actually made for personal expenses incurred as a Commissioner, but an itemized statement of all expenses and moneys paid out shall be made under oath by each of the Commissioners and filed with the Secretary and allowed only by the affirmative vote of the full Board.

25.06 RULES. The Board shall provide all needed rules for the economic conduct of facilities under its jurisdiction.

25.07 ANNUAL REPORT. The Board shall annually prepare a condensed statement of the total receipts and expenditures for the hospital or health care facility and cause the same to be published as required by law.

25.08 DISCRIMINATION. No discrimination in the management of the hospital shall be made against practitioners of any school of medicine recognized by the laws of the State.

25.09 GIFTS. As a part of the Board's authority, it may accept property by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise; and if the Board deems it advisable, may, at public sale, sell or exchange any property so accepted upon a concurring vote of a majority of all members of the Board, and apply the proceeds thereof, or property received in exchange therefor, to any legitimate hospital purpose.

25.10 DEPRECIATION FUND. The Board may in its discretion establish a fund for depreciation as a separate fund. Said funds may be invested in United States Government Bonds and when so invested the accumulation of interest on the bonds so purchased shall be used for the purposes of the depreciation fund; an investment when so made shall remain in United States Government Bonds until such time as, in the judgment of the Board, it is deemed advisable to use the funds for hospital purposes.

25.11 LEASE AUTHORITY. The Board of Commissioners (the "Hospital Board") has been created to serve as the governing body of the Hospital. The Hospital Board is vested with the authority to provide for the management, control, administration and government of the Hospital and the Hospital Board is hereby also granted with the authority to enter leases, lease purchase agreements or similar documents and payable from net revenues of the Hospital and necessary for the Hospital to provide for the operation, furnishing, equipping or any other needs of the Hospital. *(Ord. 559 – May 17 Supp.)*