

ORDINANCE NO. 815

At a regular session of the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, held on Monday, January 8, 1996, the following ordinance was offered by Dale Foster and seconded by David Frye :

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOMER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
AND ANNOUNCING THE DUTIES OF SAID BOARD

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that Ordinance No. 563 of 1967 of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, and all subsequent ordinances and resolutions amendatory thereto, be repealed in their entirety and re-enacted as follows:

SECTION I. There is hereby created a Board of Directors whose duties it shall be to administer the Homer Memorial Hospital, a public hospital owned by the Town of Homer, Louisiana.

SECTION II. The Board of Directors of Homer Memorial Hospital shall be composed of fifteen (15) appointed members, and of the Mayor of the Town of Homer, or his or her designee, and of the Chief of the Medical Staff of the Homer Memorial Hospital, or his or her designee, both of whom shall serve as ex-officio members of the Board of Directors with voting privileges.

The appointed members of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Selectmen of the Town of Homer, and a majority of them shall be residents of the Town of Homer, Louisiana.

All members of the Board of Directors shall serve without compensation.

SECTION III. The appointed members of the Board of Directors shall serve terms of five (5) years and shall not be eligible for appointment to more than two (2) consecutive terms; after an absence from the Board of Directors of one (1) year

immediately following his or her service of two (2) consecutive terms, an individual shall be eligible for re-appointment to the Board of Directors, to which subsequent terms the prohibition against appointment to more than two (2) consecutive terms shall apply.

Three (3) individuals shall be appointed members of the Board of Directors each year in rotation; of the initial Board of Directors appointed hereunder, three (3) individuals shall be appointed to terms of one (1) year, commencing on January 1, 1996, and ending on December 31, 1996, three (3) individuals shall be appointed to terms of two (2) years, commencing on January 1, 1996, and ending on December 31, 1997, three (3) individuals shall be appointed to terms of three (3) years, commencing on January 1, 1996, and ending on December 31, 1998, three (3) individuals shall be appointed to terms of four (4) years, commencing on January 1, 1996, and ending on December 31, 1999, and three (3) individuals shall be appointed to terms of five (5) years, commencing on January 1, 1996, and ending on December 31, 2000; for the purpose of the prohibition against appointment to more than two (2) consecutive terms as an appointed member of the Board of Directors, all initial terms of less than five (5) years provided immediately hereinabove shall be deemed to be terms of five (5) years.

SECTION IV. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for employing and discharging all hospital personnel, establishing by-laws, rules and regulations relating to the admittance of patients, establishing charges for services rendered by the hospital, collecting accounts and any and all other duties and responsibilities that normally apply to the various board of directors of comparable hospitals within the State of Louisiana.

All by-laws, rules and regulations and all amendments and supplements thereto formulated by the Board of Directors shall first be submitted to and approved by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer.

SECTION V. The fiscal operations of the Homer Memorial Hospital shall be kept and administered completely separate and apart from the fiscal operations of the Town of Homer, subject to periodic reviews and examinations by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer.

SECTION VI. The Board of Directors is independently authorized to make all supply, medical equipment and machine purchases appropriate for either replacement or maintaining and upgrading current technology in medicine, provided that no future debt shall be incurred.

The Board of Directors is independently authorized to make expenditures for the normal day to day operations of the Homer Memorial Hospital in order to provide the best medical facilities and services to the patients while maintaining competitive charges, provided that all expenditures for and involving structural construction, additions or changes in the buildings, immovable leases or purchases and any purchases in which a future installment debt would be incurred obligating the Homer Memorial Hospital for future payments (excepting lease purchase agreements for equipment), must first be submitted to and approved by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer.

SECTION VII. The Board of Directors shall, at the close of each fiscal quarter, submit to the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer a complete financial and operational report, which report shall reflect the current condition of the Homer Memorial Hospital.

The Board of Directors shall, at the close of each fiscal year, submit to the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer an audit report prepared by an independent certified public accountant, which report shall reflect the financial position of the Homer Memorial Hospital.

The above ordinance was fully read and considered section by section and then voted upon by sections and as a whole, with the following results, to-wit:

YEAS:

Dale West
Debra Kopyev
David Foyt
S. J. Etkin
Susan Herring

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE.

THEREUPON, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted and passed on this, the 8th day of January, 1996.

Harvey H. Emerson
(HARVEY H. EMERSON, JR.) MAYOR

ATTEST:

Linda Dean
(LINDA DEAN) CLERK