

MINUTES APPROVED---AUGUST 12, 2010



Insurance Review Committee Meeting

McKenzie Building – Jury Room

Thursday, May 13, 2010 - 3:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Jim Carius, Joyce Antonini, Anna Godby, Janet Johnson, Chris McKinney, Tim Neuhauser, Jennifer Norman, Mic Seward and Julie Young

Committee Members Absent: Chairman David Zimmerman and Jennifer Stanton

Others Present: County Administrator David Jones

MOTION

MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY JOHNSON to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2010 and March 11, 2010 meetings.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

County Administrator Jones directed the committee to the Claims Summary handout. Jones said the chart does not show enough data to be meaningful but gives the Committee an indication of what the charts will look like. Jones said in the future the chart will show a comparison of prior years but this chart shows year-to-date figures. Jones said no claims were paid in December because of the transition period. Jones said it is too early to get excited but Tazewell County is having a good year.

Jones said the chart not only shows the total paid but also the total that was charged. This will be helpful in order to track when doing a comparison between the old and the new. Jones said that at the present, the average is \$146,519 in claims which is below what was budgeted.

Member Johnson asked if we were given a turn around time to process claims.

Jones said that they do provide that information and that the biggest delay is from the time services are rendered till the time that HCH receives the bill, but then only takes HCH a few days to adjudicate a claim. There have been problems with ER claims and MRP claims not being processed as quickly as previously, but are being processed more quickly than in the beginning.

Administrator Jones said he is meeting with HCH on May 25 to go over the Plan document. This will be available on their website with hard copies to payroll and in the County Board Office and also available through department heads. Jones said they were not planning to print copies for everyone, but they will be easily available to all. The committee members requested that they receive a hard copy.

Jones said that the biggest issue he has handled involve chiropractic and ER issues and ER visits. Jones said that regarding chiropractic language, the dollar amount was increased and a special provision was added for the MRP.

Jones said that persons using injectable drugs must go to Walgreen's as HCH receives a better discount at Walgreen's. Jones said that there was an error on the Choice 90 program as CVS in Pekin was listed as a provider; however, they are not a provider. Jones said that he had met with HCH regarding the split the pill program and they will provide brochures regarding this and that there will be changes for next year.

Administrator Jones said that the deadline has passed for turning in the non-smoking discount forms and that it should show up on the next pay check. Jones said any new participants will be added quarterly.

Jones said that the deductible on the stop-loss reinsurance has been raised considerably which is a savings to Tazewell County. We will need to make a decision if we will retain them as a carrier. Jones said that one enhancement that was made is the \$5,000 fertility coverage and that the present carrier will not allow this coverage to stay in the plan and continue to be our stop-loss carrier. Jones said this will be revisited at renewal.

Member McKinney suggested an update to the union to let them know what is being considered.

Member Neuhauser said that because of legislative changes companies do not know how premiums are going to be affected. Neuhauser said things could be changing daily and companies are not sure how everything will play out. Neuhauser said that he does not think the changes will be for the better.

Administrator Jones said that we have positioned ourselves strategically from a reinsurance standpoint because our deductible has been moved up considerably over the last few years to a point where the County is taking on more of a risk, the plan is taking on more risk, and with the changes the Board has taken, the deductible has been moved over double, but is still based on our experience. Jones said that a lot of the federal regulations do not apply to the County.

Member Neuhauser recessed the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

Transcription by Nina Schacherbauer