

**Town of Wethersfield
Insurance Committee Minutes
December 20, 2007
Town Hall Conference Room**

The meeting was called to order by Polly Moon at 5:30 PM.

Attendance:

Polly Moon-Chairwoman, Mike Fortunato-Vice Chair, Sey Adil, Chris Bazinet, Lisa Hancock-Director of Finance, Jeff Kotkin-Town Council Liaison, Chris Monroe-Savino, Sturrock & Sullivan, and Karen Clancy - BOE (arrived at 5:55PM)

Absences: Paul Meade, Chris Lyons, Greg Bedula.

Public Comments:

No one was present from the public for comment.

Approval of Minutes:

Sey Adil moved for the approval of the [minutes from the meeting on November 17, 2007](#). Seconded by Mike Fortunato. It was requested to add the date on the October minutes approval. Motion carried unanimously.

MEHIP Discussion:

Lisa Hancock advised the Committee that the State Committee is preparing an RFP and that they requested claim data, etc. Chris Monroe has provided information and will keep the Committee posted. The state is trying to better craft a plan that meets the needs of each Town. Polly Moon questioned whether they are going to tailor to each Town's needs or one plan. Chris is not quite sure as to what they are planning to do.

Chris Monroe stated that Terri DeMatti will be in attendance for the January meeting to discuss the CT Public Sector Purchasing Coalition. Merck prescriptions as compared to Anthem as a few years back were very comparable. Chris Monroe will question Terri DeMatti regarding the actual discounts as of now, another area of concern is for rebates and dispensing costs.

Chris Monroe briefly discussed the various components of the program and how we should be cautious on all the pieces for prescription drug discounts.

Reports from Agents of Record:

Chris Monroe - SS&S

Chris Monroe discussed the claims for November. The pattern of claims has improved. The budget may require an increase for health costs of 20% to 25%. This is mainly due to the claims from the summer.

Lisa Hancock informed the Committee that the self insurance fund ended in a negative fund balance for FY 06-07. She stated that it is important that we pay close attention to claims and funding of a reserve.

Claims have begun to stabilize. There are now 6 individuals with claims over \$50,000.

Chris Monroe further discussed the reports and sees a glimmer of the possibility of turning the corner on these major claims.

The reason for negatives in the Anthem report for July and August had to do with a reversal of \$300,000 in claims. Chris Monroe still needs to follow up on this.

Jeffrey Kotkin questioned how we know that Anthem is processing claims correctly. Chris Monroe mentioned that one of his customers hired Segal Company to do an audit on their claims. Polly Moon mentioned that it might be good to do some sort of internal audit to review some of the claims. Chris Monroe stated that he could have a private audit firm address the Committee regarding their experience with the claims review process. Chris Monroe will contact a firm to make a presentation to the Committee in January.

Greg Bedule - T. D. BankNorth

No report.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Adjournment:

Sey Adil moved to adjourn at 6:55 PM. Seconded by Mike Fortunato. Motion carried unanimously.