

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**JULY 12, 2018**

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The Titus County Commissioners' Court, after notice posted in the manner, form and contents as required by law, met in Special Meeting on Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Titus County Courtroom, Room 205, located at 100 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street with the following members present:

Brian P. Lee	-	County Judge
Al Riddle	-	Commissioner Precinct 1
Mike Fields	-	Commissioner Precinct 2
Dana Applewhite	-	Commissioner Precinct 3
Jimmy Parker	-	Commissioner Precinct 4
Joan Newman	-	County Clerk
Carl Johnson	-	County Auditor

**PUBLIC ATTENDING**

Chris Caplinger	Toni Melton
Jessica Marvray	Sharon Reynolds
Steve Capps	Barbie Bricker
Christie Davis	

**INVOCATION:** Judge Brian Lee

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Judge Brian Lee

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.042, TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

There were none.

**2. UPDATE ON HEALTH INSURANCE PERFORMANCE WITH UMR AND HIGGINBOTHAM**

Chris Caplinger with UMR informed the Court that last year's adjustments have yielded some savings. Ms. Caplinger directed the Court's attention to the UMR Plan Activity and Checkpoint Evaluation Report for Plan Year Jan 2018 from 1/1/2018 – 6/30/2018. Comparison was made against Prior Year Claims Paid 1/1/2017 – 06/30/2017. The following points were made: [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 01\)](#)

- Decrease on claims summary
- Increased inpatient stays
- Decrease on pharmacy cost
- Decrease on high cost claimants
- Decrease in emergency room visits with cost going down
- Several outpatient surgeries were out of network.
- Discounts for claims have increased overall.

Ms. Caplinger recommended that out of network surgeries not be covered and that prior authorization be required on all outpatient surgeries.

Barbie Bricker with Higginbotham went over the Advanced Plan for Health Program. This is analytic tool that looks at each individual's pattern and help them reduce risk and claims by identifying the risks and make an actionable plan. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 02\)](#)

Recommendations and incentives were covered for the upcoming year as well as a renewal plan. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 03\)](#)

The meeting recessed at 12:13 p.m. and reconvened at 12:38 p.m... Any changes need to be made before Ms. Caplinger can begin shopping for a Stop Loss Policy. A tentative date was set to meet again at 1:00 p.m. on August 13, 2018.

**3. CLOSING COMMENTS BY COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY**

Commissioner Fields questioned if the county went up on insurance costs each year. Carl Johnson answered not every year but on the years that a raise is given.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion was made at 1:15 p.m. to adjourn by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Fields. Motion passed unanimously.