

**INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 20, 2022 1:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Justice Reggie Cullom; Justice Cecil McDonald; Justice Harbans Mangat; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Michael White; Justice Joe Lewis; Justice Rick Ash; Treasurer Peggy Meatte; Finance Kelli Jones; Judge John Alan Nelson; Public Affairs Tom Henry; NEA Town Courier Revis Blaylock.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Reggie Cullom. Justice Cullom asked Kelli Jones what had been received on the claims that had been paid. A spreadsheet was received that list the claims that were paid by third party administrator Performance Health. Almost all of the claims that were outstanding had been paid 30 or 35 claims had questions.
2. Justice Cullom asked Mr. Nichol for a report on the outstanding payments on the claims. Signature was received from Methodist claims. Care Centrix agreed to the terms but wanted to change the language. Proposal would be sent back to Mr. Nichol. Other miscellaneous went thru TPA, Cigna claims were outstanding. There were two claims that could not be found in the system. Some settlement agreements were with Mississippi County and several other counties. Claims were paid two different ways. The claims at payable amount went thru the TPA system. A separate list the TPA had were the ones Mr. Nichol handled. County could be reimbursed for the \$18,000.00 they paid employee claims.
3. Justice Cullom asked about claims with collection agencies. After 24 months with no collective action did it come off the books and not be resurrected now or at a later date. The two claims that could not be found may fall in that category. Justice Cullom asked about the time period to close the payment of claims. Mr. Nichol was waiting on sign offs to finish the claims and could not give a time frame. Accounting of escrow account would be given when claims were paid. Judge Nelson asked Mr. Nichol if he could complete claims in two weeks. Claims that were not paid would be paid in full. Meeting set for May 4, 2022 at 1:30.
4. Justice Cullom was concerned about the providers that took a settlement and others that would be paid in full. Justice Ash said they had the option not to take the settlement and signed away their legal rights when agreement was made. Justice Cullom would like to get a history what happened from 2019 to present and give the information to the Attorney General. Justice Cullom would like to protect other counties. Justice Cullom would like the county to get someone to negotiate our insurance in the future.

5. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George