

MINUTES
OF
MIDDLESEX COUNTY JOINT HEALTH INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

March 26, 2019

Chairman Pulomena called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Open Public Meeting Act read into Minutes by Chairman Pulomena.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairman, John Pulomena	County	Present
Alternate, Dennis Cerami	County	Absent
Commissioner, Rich Fitamant	Utilities Authority	Present
Commissioner Designate Joseph Cryan	Utilities Authority	Present
Alternate, Jayne Gelder	Utilities Authority	Absent
Commissioner, Patricia Byrd	Board of Social Services	Absent
Alternate, Norman Skolnick	Board of Social Services	Present
Commissioner, Maureen Lawrence	College	Absent
Alternate, Martha Velez	College	Absent
Commissioner, Lory Cattano	Improvement Authority	Present
Alternate,	Improvement Authority	P/A
Commissioner, Deepak Matadha	Mosquito Commission	Present
Alternate, John Kranz	Mosquito Commission	Absent
Commissioner, Alan Fialka	Roosevelt Hospital	Absent
Alternate,	Roosevelt Hospital	P/A

APPOINTED FUND PROFESSIONALS AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS PRESENT:

Administrator	North American Insurance Management Corporation Jay McManus Lynn Collins Dave Hissey
Attorney	Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr., Esq.
Network Provider	Horizon BCBS of New Jersey Brian Mead Linda Monge
Program/Risk Manager	Business & Governmental Insurance Agency Stuart Migdon
Treasurer	Joe Pruiti

OTHERS PRESENT:

Giaet DeLaCruz
Renee Parsons
Nina Biggs
Christine Plisky

ABSENT:

Scott Clelland
Patricia McSweeney
Sara Picard

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Fitamant and seconded by Commissioner Cattano to approve the agenda as submitted.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners Fitamant, Skolnick, Cattano and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairman Pulomena asked for a motion to open the floor to the public. Moved by Commissioner Fitamant and seconded by Commissioner Skolnick to open the floor to the public.

No one from the public was present to speak.

Chairman Pulomena asked for a motion to close the floor to the public. Moved by Commissioner Skolnick and seconded by Commissioner Fitamant to close the floor to the public.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners Fitamant, Skolnick, Cattano and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 26, 2019

Moved by Commissioner Cattano and seconded by Commissioner Fitamant to approve the minutes of February 26, 2019 Commissioners' Meeting (Public Meeting).

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners Fitamant, Skolnick, Cattano and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2019-03-01 retirement of Commissioner and Appointment of Commissioner.

Moved by Commissioner Cattano and seconded by Commissioner Skolnick to approve above resolution.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners, Skolnick, Cattano and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

Resolution 2019-03-02 Recognition of Commissioner.

Discussion: Mr. McManus said this is a resolution recognizing Rich Fitamant's years of service with the MCJHIF. Mr. Fitamant has been with the Fund since its inception. He has done a fantastic job in all positions held with the MCJHIF. Commissioner Fitamant has always been very engaged and helpful and always made our job easier. Mr. McManus wished Commissioner Fitamant the best of luck and thanked him for his service.

Commissioner Fitamant thank Mr. McManus and the other Commissioners for the award and said that it has been a pleasure working them everyone for all these years. Commissioner Fitamant wished Joe Cryan, his successor good luck and said he was sure that he would do a great job.

Chairman Pulomena said he wanted to also say thank you to Commissioner Fitamant. He said that he and Rich worked together for years and that he greatly appreciated his friendship, his knowledge, experience and insight. He said that its always good to have an engineer to work with you on projects. Chairman said that it was a pleasure working with Commissioner Fitamant. He also wished him good luck in the future. Chairman Pulomena asked if anyone else wanted to say anything to Rich.

Commissioner Cryan said that Commissioner Fitamant contributed to MCUA's success, he said that he was able to handle any task, consolidate tasks and bring them together with a vision for the MCUA which is much appreciated. You are missed already. Commissioner Fitamant left the MCUA in great shape financially and structurally which is the ultimate compliment to you.

Moved by Commissioner Skolnick and seconded by Commissioner Cattano to approve above resolution.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners, Cryan, Skolnick, Cattano, and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

Resolution 2019-03-03 appointment of Committees.

Discussion: Mr. McManus said that the Nominations Committee met earlier this month to fill vacancies due to the retirement of Commissioner Fitamant which are the Budget Committee, the Contracts Committee and the Appeals Committee. The Nominations Committee is recommending that those vacancies be filled as follows:

Budget Committee	-	Commissioner Matadha
Contracts Committee	-	Commissioner Matadha
Appeals Committee	-	Commissioner Cattano

The above recommendations are included on the resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Cattano and seconded by Commissioner Cryan to approve above resolution.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners, Cryan, Skolnick, Cattano, and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

Resolution 2019-03-04 to award Professional Services Agreements.

Discussion: Mr. McManus said this is the resolution to appoint the Professionals for another year. The Contracts Committee met earlier this month to review the responds received for the various professional positions. Mr. McManus reviewed the Contracts Committee memo outlining the Professional contract suggestions.

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Pruiti said the Bill List is included in Section IV of the Commissioners agenda packet. He handed out the December 2018 Financials. We have finished 2018 with a very strong month. For December 2018, we have \$3.4 million-dollar surplus. Not all of it is pure profit; \$1.3 million was due to releasing IBNR on the medical side and \$800,000 on the Rx side. The rest of the funds was profit. Rx IBNR usually is released in January, however the auditors wanted us to release in December because of the timing of the invoice. In January 2019, we took a loss but due to the December release of IBNR. The Fund finished for all three Fund Years with \$26.6 million dollars. We then issued out payment in the end of December 2018 for the Counties monthly assessment of \$5.9 million dollars which wiped out the 2016 Fund Year and left \$5.2 million dollars in the 2017 Fund Year for a total of \$20.7 million dollars. Also earmarked is \$3.9 million dollars that is scheduled to be distributed to the other entities in July 2019. This leaves a surplus of \$16.5 million dollars.

In January, the Fund realizes a loss primarily due to the release of Rx IBNR in December rather than January. In February, there was a surplus of \$235,00 in the 2019 plan year,

Resolution 2019-03-06 to approve the March 2019 Bill List.

Moved by Commissioner Cryan and seconded by Commissioner Cattano to approve payment of the March 2019 Bill List.

Roll Call:	Aye:	Chairman Pulomena, Commissioners Cryan, Skolnick, Cattano and Matadha
	Nay:	None
	Abstain:	None

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

- a) Program/Risk Manager: BGIA's professional report is included in Section V of the Commissioners agenda packet. Mr. Migdon introduced Nina Biggs and Christine Plisky to make a presentation on the progress of the Wellness Coaches Program and feel good success stories.
- b) Network Provider: Horizon's professional report is included in Section V of the Commissioners agenda packet. Mr. Mead said that there are four claims over \$50,000 for 2019 and one claim over \$100,000.
- c) Attorney: Mr. Diegnan's professional report is included in Section IV of the Commissioners agenda packet.

OLD BUSINESS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

