

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

*Minutes of Meeting* Plain Township Board of Trustee Emergency Meeting

*Held* Plain Township Fire Station 7:30 a.m.

The Plain Township Board of Trustees met in emergency session at the Plain Township Fire Department, 9500 Johnstown Road, New Albany, Ohio.

Mr. Ferguson called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: Members Present Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Olmstead and Mr. Rybski. Mr. Zappitelli, Fiscal Officer was present. Other people present were Chief Hoovler, Assistant Chief Rupp, Ben Collins, Cindy Powell, Diane Lewis, Debbie Barnett, Lt. Pabst and Capt. Carney.

### **Ohio Public Entity Consortium Health Care**

Mr. Ferguson explained that the emergency meeting was called due to the change in our health insurance plan and possible impacts to our employees.

Mr. Collins said that Plain Township joined what is known as the OPEC HC, Ohio Public Entity Consortium Health Care pool in July 2014. It included a commitment through the end of 2017. This program was back stopped by the Jefferson Health Plan. They are a pool within a pool. Within the first 6 months of this plans operation it ran a deficit. Within the first twelve months that deficit amounted to 1.6 million dollars and currently the deficit is between 8-10 million dollars depending on the month of reporting.

There was a brief discussion concerning the insurance plan and the deficit. Mr. Collins explained the role of OPEC HC and the Jefferson Health Plan.

Mr. Collins explained that OPEC HC decided to change the plan administrator to Benovation in order to save money. He gave a brief overview of how claims would be processed under Benovation by using Claim Doc and PHCS.

Mr. Collins said all of our employees have been provided a new insurance card. Mr. Ferguson asked when it was effective. Mr. Collins said July 1, 2017. There was a brief discussion concerning possible impacts on employees and what the Township could do to assist employees.

Mr. Collins reviewed what Benovation was going to do to assist employees when their healthcare provider is not in the PHCS network including a helpline.

Mr. Collins and Mr. Olmstead asked everyone to complete their FormFire Health Care assessment to assist with getting quotes on health insurance.

Mr. Ferguson said everyone needs to understand that we will work through this issue and employees will be taken care of. We will work as hard as we can to help resolve any issues that employees have.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Ferguson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 a.m. Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

  
David Ferguson, Trustee

  
Dave Olmstead, Trustee

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Thomas Rybski, Trustee

  
Bud Zappitelli, Fiscal Officer