

LUMPKIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AGENDA
Lumpkin County Administration Building
Large Conference Room
99 Courthouse Hill
Dahlonega, Georgia

May 23, 2011
5:00 P.M

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Raber

- II. **BLUE-CROSS/BLUE SHIELD**
EMPLOYEE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE

- III. **PROCLAMATION**
KAREN PECK- NEW RIVER

- IV. **ENOTAH JUDICIAL BUDGET ITEMS**

- V. **REDISTRICTING OF COMMISSIONERS**

- VI. **OTHER ITEMS**

- VII. **ADJOURN** Chairman Raber

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Raber called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Lumpkin County Administration Building. Present were John Raber, Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Blue-Cross/Blue Shield – Employee Group Health Insurance

This is to discuss the continuation for Blue Cross/Blue Shield as the county healthcare insurance provider for county employees. The Human Resources Department has been comparing the current POS plan and an HMO plan. Human Resources Director Fran Sullens and County Manager Stan Kelley attended a meeting with Blue Cross/Blue Shield, after they were informed there would be a rate increase of over 40% starting July 2011. Mr. Kelley expressed the urgency for the board's decision as the county's open enrollment begins June 1, 2011. The current POS plan had only a trending increase in 2010 of 3%. Ms. Sullens worked with Blue Cross/Blue Shield to see what changes could be made to help decrease the deductibles and copayments in the proposed HMO plan. The State of Georgia requires that a POS plan must be offered with an HMO plan because the HMO has no out-of-network coverage. Ms. Sullens stated that this was the main difference between the two plans. She said that the staff had made a lot of improvements in the plan that was being presented compared to the HMO originally offered.

Motion: Commissioner Stowers moved to offer both plans to the employees' which was seconded by Bill Scott. All district commissioners approved the motion and the motion carried.

Proclamation – Karen Peck & New River

This is for approval of a proclamation to Karen Peck and New River for their dedicated service from 1991 – 2011.

Motion: Commissioner Bowden moved to approve a proclamation for Karen Peck and New River at the June Work Session which was seconded by Bill Scott. All district commissioners approved the motion and the motion carried.

Enotah Judicial Budget Items

This is to affirm the Enotah Judicial Circuit decision involving the salaries of the Enotah Judicial Staff.

Motion: Commissioner Stowers moved to accept the decision which was seconded by Bill Scott. All district commissioners approved the motion and the motion carried.

Redistricting of Commissioners

This is for the approval of the proposed commissioners redistricting map. The proposed districts are based on population and the map is contingent on state approval.

Motion: Commissioner Bowden moved to accept this map contingent on state approval. That motion was seconded by Bill Scott. All district commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Other Items

Finance Director Allison Martin read upon the minutes a statement. A copy of the statement is attached to the minutes. There was discussion on the different deadlines the Clerk had been assigned and had not fulfilled.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stowers moved to proceed and file a writ of mandamus to the Court. The motion was seconded by Bill Scott. Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers, and Clarence Grindle approved the motion and the motion carried.*

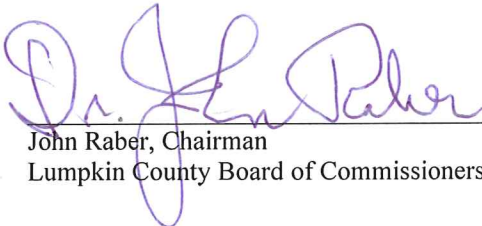
The possible locations for a SPLOST Retreat were discussed. The Board decided to tentatively schedule this for June 10, 2011 at the new Union County Library.

ADJOURN

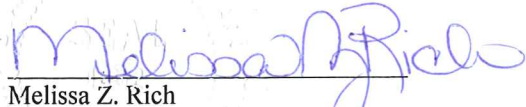
***Motion:** Commission Bowden moved to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.*

5/23/2011

Date


John Raber, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:


Melissa Z. Rich
Deputy Clerk, Lumpkin County