

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**August 11, 2014 Special Meeting - Commission Board Room**  
**1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428**

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Alan Bush	Joel Pate	Charles Brock	Todd Abbott	Lynn Gothard
Chairman	Vice-Chairman			

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I. PROCLAMATION - Deputy Woollover

Chairman Bush, Commissioner Pate, Commissioner Abbott, and Commissioner Gothard were present at the meeting. Also attending were County Attorney Goodman, County Coordinator Corbin, Ad Interim Clerk Bazzel, and Deputy Clerk Brantley. Commissioner Brock was not present.

A. Call to Order - Chairman Bush

B. Invocation - County Coordinator Corbin/Chairman Bush

AGENDA ADDITIONS

None

II. ADOPT THE AGENDA - **Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to adopt the agenda.**

III. NON - AGENDA AUDIENCE - Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that "members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission." Each individual shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the board.

There were no comments from the audience.

IV. AGENDA ITEM -

- Insurance Renewal - Marla Hayes advised the Board that Robin Riley, Insurance Agent of Record would speak on this section.

Robin Riley spoke on the projected rates/comparisons for the budget year 2014-2015. The plans discussed were Florida Blue Options, and United Health. There is a rate increase of 2.8% to continue coverage with Florida Blue Options.

The Board discussed the insurance health coverage options.

**Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to continue coverage with Florida Blue.**

Deputy Clerk Brantley asked for direction on who would cover the additional cost.

Robin Riley suggested the Board stay with covering the 05773 at 100% and allow the employees to absorb the cost of the buy up plans.

The Board discussed different options.

**Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried for the County to cover the additional cost for the insurance increase.**

<b>Commissioner Gothard -</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Abbott -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Chairman Bush -</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Pate -</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**The motion carried 3 to 1.**

Robin Riley went over current/renewal rates with the Board, which included coverage through Guardian, The Standard, Humana Dental, and Metlife.

Guardian's rate increase is 8% and The Standard is 10% or 18% depending on which plan is chosen out of two.

The Board discussed the different options.

Robin Riley advised The Standard has the better network.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Chairman Bush and carried to change the county dental carrier from Guardian to The Standard.

Commissioner Abbott - Yes

Chairman Bush - Yes

Commissioner Pate - No

Commissioner Gothard - Yes

The motion carried 3 to 1.

Robin Riley addressed the Board in reference to Vision insurance proposed rates. There is no increase with Humana insurance. The Standard is offering a decrease of 17%.

The Board discussed the carrier options.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Chairman Bush and carried to change from Humana to The Standard.

Robin Riley addressed the Board in reference to life insurance. She advised the current carrier is Florida Blue. The best proposal is with Lincoln Financial Group.

There was discussion about the choices for life insurance coverage.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried to select the proposal from Lincoln Financial Group. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Bush called a break.

Chairman Bush called the meeting back to order at 10:36 a.m.

- Northwest Florida Water Management District Agreement (Reimbursement Program for \$20,000.00) – Jeff Goodman, County Attorney addressed the Board in reference to a Cooperative Agreement between The Northwest Florida Water Management District and Washington County for Flood Control and Protection.

Commissioner Gothard provided an overview of how the agreement option came about.

The Department of Transportation is going to handle the pumps that are located approximately on Rolling Pines currently until August 18.

The pumps have been mandated by the Governor's Office.

If the agreement is executed by the County, the County will take it over from there until November 30.

Cliff Knauer, County Engineer suggested an option to install a 300-foot pipe adjoining two pond areas, which the county should be able to install in a couple of days. This would make the road accessible.

The Board discussed the area, history of flooding, and options.

Commissioner Gothard advised Commissioner Pate the Board is not obligated, Water Management has been mandated by the Governor's Office.

Cliff Knauer, County Engineer addressed the Board in reference to an easement that he needs clarification on.

Jeff Goodman, County Attorney advised to use surveyors.

Commissioner Gothard offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to enter into the agreement with Northwest Florida Water Management District.

V. ADJOURN - Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried to adjourn.

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Deputy Clerk Brantley

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Date Approved by Board