

**INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2021 1:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Justice Molly Jackson; Justice Cecil McDonald; Justice Reggie Cullom; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Michael White; Justice Joe Lewis; Justice Tobbye McClanahan; Justice Rick Ash; Justice Harbans Mangat; Judge John Alan Nelson; Collector Susan Short; Treasurer Peggy Meatte; Finance Kelli Jones; Public Affairs Tom Henry; NEA Town Courier Marcus McClain.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Cecil McDonald. Judge Nelson called the meeting today for updates on insurance payments.

2. The meeting was to exchange information. Medical insurance payments had been frustrating for all and had not gone quickly. Payments to Mississippi County Hospital system, St. Bernards had been issued from the County Finance Department. Additional checks had and continue to be issued to employees for payments they had made. Plan was developed to issue all payments thru the Finance Department with the assistance of Performance Health. Gerber settled after the plan was put into place. Performance Health received money from the settlement and issued checks for some claims. Performance Health informed the County on November 23, 2021 that two checks had been issued from the fund. \$600,000.00 was appropriated for a line item. Another fund outside the county set up for arbitration settlement. Dollar amount was divided into percentages on the amount of claims. County had issued a number of checks from money held in Finance. Performance Health had issued checks from arbitration money. Performance Health was notified what the County needed to reconcile the information on both parties. First check from Performance had some information. Second check did not have any information on claims paid.

3. Justice McDonald suggested the committee meet with Performance again to get the information needed. Justice Reggie Cullom made a motion to meet with Performance Health to get the information needed. Second was made by Justice Betty Hepler. Motion passed. Meeting would be scheduled. Attorneys would be contacted. Tom Henry and Peggy Meatte would be included in the meeting. Employees that had paid on claims were not included in settlement claims. Justice Jackson asked if the bankruptcies were being included in payments.

4. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George