

Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission
Special Executive Board Minutes
211 N. Gear Avenue, West Burlington, IA 52655
July 25, 2013

Members Present: Brent Schleisman, Sue Frice, Hans Trousil and Gary Folluo,

Members Absent: Mark Huston

Staff Present: Mike Norris, Sara Hecox, and Jeff Hanan

Call to order at 11:31 a.m.

Agenda Approval

Motion by Trousil to approve the July 25, 2013 agenda, second by Folluo. All Ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Health Care Options: Norris stated that SEIRPC's healthcare costs have gone up 66% over the last three years. Currently SEIRPC pays for 75% of the premiums of non-bargaining union employees. Union employees get 100% paid single health policy but have to pay the difference from single premiums to family premiums. Norris continued to state that SEIRPC is looking into other options of lowering healthcare costs. Norris further stated that one option would be to join the City of Burlington/County Trust (COBCO) which is partially self-funded and covers approximately 400 employees. Norris stated that COBCO, along with Wellmark, has to accept SEIRPC into the group. Frice questioned if SEIRPC had been accepted into the group yet. Norris stated that a letter has been sent to the board requesting entry into the group and if approved, then their next step would be to work with Wellmark. Schleisman stated that Mount Pleasant uses a self funded group and their increases in premiums have been minimal over the past several years. Folluo asked if other groups had been looked into and Norris stated not yet. The consensus of the board was to continue to proceed with COBCO to see what options SEIRPC would have, but to also shop around for other insurance providers. Schleisman applauded Norris for looking for ways to cut costs for SEIRPC.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Frice.

Second by Folluo. All Ayes

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Submitted by Sara Hecox

Mike Norris, Executive Director

Mark Huston, Secretary

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