

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF MCDOWELL COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION – SEPTEMBER 18, 2017**

Assembly

The McDowell County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 18, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioner's Board Room of the County Administration Building, 60 East Court Street, Marion, North Carolina.

Members Present

David Walker, Chair; Barry McPeters, Vice-Chairman; Tony Brown; Matthew Crawford; and Lynn Greene

Members Absent

None

Others Present

Ashley Wooten, County Manager; Cheryl Mitchell, Clerk to the Board; Robbin Silvers, HR Director; Maria Preswood, HR Assistant; and Karla McHone, Account Executive with One Digital, Health and Benefits Broker

Review of Options/Dates/Deadlines

Mr. Wooten noted due to the BCBSNC and Mission contract dispute, if an agreement was not reached services will end October 5, 2017.

ACA requires a 60 day notice if the employer is self insured, to switch to another insurance company. Mr. Wooten recommended working on a Plan B to start getting quotes from other insurance carriers in order to switch insurance by January 1, 2018. Plan would be by 10/31/17 make a decision of letter of intent effective 1/1/18. The county will let the new insurance company know up front if BCBSNC work's out a contract with Mission, the county will stay with BCBSNC.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to proceed with getting quotes, second by Commissioner Greene. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Vice Chair McPeters made a motion to adjourn to regular session, second by Commissioner Greene. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

DAVID WALKER
CHAIRMAN

CHERYL MITCHELL
CLERK TO THE BOARD