

Meeting with Vermont League of Cities & Town

Re: HEALTH INSURANCE

Tuesday, March 13, 2007 - 5:00 PM

Present:

Dan Roda, VLCT rep

Kurt Bostrom

Alene Evans

Walter "Bo" Royce,

Michael Donahue

Anita Bean, Town Clerk

Hwy Dept.

Henry Martin

Michalina Wasung, Town Treasurer

Irvin Stowell, public

Jeffrey Russ, Selectboard

Town Clerk, Anita Bean introduced everyone to Dan Roda, Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT), Members Relations Representative, who she has been communicating with regarding other available health insurance packages offered by VLCT.

While passing out, a packet containing pertinent information re: CIGNA's offerings, Roda emphasized due to timing constraints the Town would have to submit (fax) in writing their change in health insurance benefits to be received at VLCT by March 15, 2007.

Roda addressed the availability and benefits of the A & B Prescription Drug.

He explained how and where one could receive treatment: the doctors that are in or out of the network (doctors contracted and agreement in place with CIGNA can bill, if above insurance allowance). As many were unaware of those providers, he agreed to forward a book containing the doctors and hospitals in CIGNA's network.

He compared Townshend health insurance plan that is VLCT Gold Plan and its rates (single, 2 person & family) with:

- all other insurance offered to members with 50 and fewer eligible employees
- VLCT Health Plan (\$10 (general practitioner) /\$20 (specialist) co-pay option) and VLCT Health Plan (\$20/\$30 co-pay option)
- VLCT Health Plan w/Vision (\$10/\$20) co-pay option that he believed the Town was interested in switching

Evans explained the Selectboard did not have the time to investigate other health insurance providers for their employees and time was of the essence so we chose to stay with VLCT, for now.

Martin suggested that the health insured group meet to discuss and pick out a health plan. After the employees have made their decision. He will call and update the Selectpersons to obtain a consensus for a later motion and a letter expressing the employees' decision will be sent (faxed) before the end of the day, March 15, 2007 to VLCT of this outcome.

At 6:00 PM the public left, but the Selectboard remained spoke about other conversation on our Town Meeting and commented that Selectboard has to become more aggressive; a conversation concerning offering Davis the Administrative Assistant position. Evans, Martin & Russ then examined the southerly " wall" in the dining room and agreed that the bank of closets should be built there, as there appears to be enough room. The Selectboard left at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Davis, clerk for the Selectboard