

Falls City employee health insurance plan approved

**(KLZA)--The Falls City Council has approved the health insurance renewal for city employees for the next year.**

**During the June 18th meeting, Dan Duren with Benefit Management updated Council members on the plan.**

**Duren said Blue Cross / Blue Shield originally submitted a renewal rate with about a five-percent price increase. After going through a prescription underwriting, prices were secured from United Healthcare and Aetna, allowing Benefit Management to go back and negotiate with Blue Cross / Blue Shield.**

**After negotiations, the renewal rate came back with a zero-percent increase after the City Health Insurance Committee approved increasing the deductible on the traditional policy from \$750 to \$1,000.**

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