

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2020, 8:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting Room 399-700-0062

Members Present: Carol Griffith, Kate Lawrence, William Green, Wes Nakagiri, Douglas Helzerman, Robert Bezotte, and Gary Childs

Members Absent: None

1. CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Carol Griffith at 8:00 a.m.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

With thoughts of Dennis Dolan.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

4. ROLL CALL

Roll call by the Clerk indicated the presence of a quorum.
District 5 and 8 Commissioner seats are vacant.

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

It was moved by K. Lawrence
Seconded by G. Childs

Roll Call Vote: Yes (7): K. Lawrence, W. Green, W. Nakagiri, D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, C. Griffith,
and G. Childs; No: (0) None; Absent (0): None

MOTION Carried (7-0-0)

7. REPORTS

Took place after Resolutions for Consideration

8. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolutions 2020-04-083 and 2020-04-084

8.a 2020-04-083

Resolution Authorizing Extended, Additional and/or Modified Temporary Emergency Employment Provisions in Response to COVID-19 for Employees Not Excluded/Exempted From Families First Coronavirus Response Act - County Administration

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by W. Green
Seconded by R. Bezotte
Discussion

Commissioner Nakagiri moved to amend the Resolution to add BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as to those employees directed not to report because of a temporary closure, partial closure or reduction in services and who are not approved to telecommute for the County and who will continue to be receiving pay and benefits through up to April 30, 2020; the Livingston County Board of Commissioners directs Department Heads to investigate with Human Resources appropriate redeployment of qualified employees to other critical/essential County departments/positions to mitigate any staffing shortages or to assist critical/essential employees. If redeployment with the County is not viable or necessary, department heads shall consider (re)assignment to, or telecommunicate work to assist provision of other County or State public services during this emergency, including but not limited to assisting COVID-19 contact tracing efforts directly after the first "Be It Further Resolved" which is located on Page 2 of the Resolution, agenda page 3 of 11.

Motion to Amend Resolution 2020-04-083.

It was moved by W. Nakagiri
Seconded by D. Helzerman
Discussion

Roll Call Vote: Yes (2): W. Nakagiri, D. Helzerman; No: (5) K. Lawrence, W. Green, R. Bezotte, C. Griffith and G. Childs; Absent (0): None
MOTION Failed (2-5-0)

Motion to adopt the original Resolution.

It was moved by W. Green
Seconded by R. Bezotte

Roll Call Vote: Yes (6): W. Green, D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, C. Griffith, G. Childs and K. Lawrence; No: (1) W. Nakagiri; Absent (0): None
MOTION Carried (6-1-0)

8.b 2020-04-084

Resolution Exempting/Excluding Livingston County Emergency Responders and Health Care Providers From the Families First Coronavirus Response Act and Authorizing Extended, Additional and/or Modified Temporary Emergency COVID-19 Paid Leave and Policies to Such Exempted/Excluded Emergency Responders and Health Care Providers - County Administration

Motion to adopt the Resolution.

It was moved by G. Childs
Seconded by R. Bezotte
Discussion

Roll Call Vote: Yes (7): G. Childs, K. Lawrence, W. Green, W. Nakagiri, D. Helzerman, R. Bezotte, and C. Griffith; No: (0) None; Absent (0): None
MOTION Carried (7-0-0)

REPORTS

Commissioner Bezotte gave his condolences to the family of Commissioner Dolan.

Commissioner Green echoed the sentiments of Commissioner Bezotte and shared that Isaiah 41:10-13 speaks to these trying times with the COVID-19 virus.

Commissioner Helzerman reported that today is Census Day and we all need to participate. We are currently at 43% and we need that number to go up significantly. He also gave his condolences to the family of Commissioner Dolan.

Commissioner Griffith thanked the Livingston County Health Department, Emergency Management, and all public safety departments for their round the clock efforts during this pandemic. She also thanked all county employees and elected officials, on behalf of the Board, for their continued hard work.

9. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chad Chewning, 911 Director, thanked the Board and County Administration for their support.

Mindy Vachow, Brighton, commented on the current burn ban.

Therese Cremonete, Emergency Manager, addressed the burn ban that is currently in place.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 a.m.

It was moved by D. Helzerman

Seconded by G. Childs

MOTION Carried (7-0-0)

Elizabeth Hundley, Livingston County Clerk