

Recess Meeting July 8, 2020

A recess meeting of the Nash County Board of Commissioners was held at 9:30 AM, July 8, 2020 in the Frederick B. Cooper, Jr. Commissioners' Room at the Claude Mayo, Jr. Administration Building in Nashville, NC.

Present were Chairman Robbie B. Davis and Commissioners Fred Belfield, Jr., Sue Leggett, J. Wayne Outlaw, Lou M. Richardson, and Mary P. Wells.

Commissioner Dan Cone was absent due to a family medical reason.

Others present were Stacie Shatzer, Donna Wood, Janice Evans, Zee B. Lamb, Vince Durham, Battle, Winslow, Scott & Wiley and other staff members and members of the public.

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order and provided a brief explanation regarding prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance in Nash County. He stated it is customary that Nash County starts each meeting with a prayer by a Commissioner and Pledge of Allegiance and that anyone wishing to participate in the prayer, moment of silence, or a prayer of their own choice was welcomed.

Chairman Davis called on Ms. Lou M. Richardson for the invocation and Mr. J. Wayne Outlaw to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bill Hill, Nash County Public Health Director presented for the Board's consideration Resolution Recommending Adherence to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Guidelines to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19.

On motion of J. Wayne Outlaw seconded by Mary P. Wells and unanimously passed that the Nash County Board of Commissioners adopt the following Resolution Recommending Adherence to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Guidelines to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19.

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADHERENCE TO THE
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION GUIDELINES TO
PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

WHEREAS, The North Carolina General Assembly has adopted Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the General Statutes, entitled “North Carolina Emergency Management Act”, which sets forth the authority and responsibility of the Governor, State agencies, and local governments in prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from natural or man-made emergencies; and

WHEREAS, G.S. §166A-19.22 and G.S. §166A-19.31, which are part of the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, authorize counties and municipalities to declare states of emergency and authorizes counties and municipalities to impose prohibitions and restrictions under conditions and following procedures contained in G.S. §166A-19.22 and G.S. §166A-19.31; and

WHEREAS, the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a global pandemic that is easily transmitted from person to person and has created a state of emergency in the State of North Carolina, County of Nash; and

WHEREAS, Nash County signed a Proclamation of State of Emergency on March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined that COVID-19 is spread primarily between people in close proximity to one another, and can be transmitted through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks and recommends social distancing to prevent the continued spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, slowing and controlling community spread is critical to ensure healthcare facilities can meet the demands of those needing health care and not overwhelm the system; and

WHEREAS, CDC recommends wearing a face covering or non-surgical protective face masks in public settings, practicing social distancing and washing one’s hands frequently as measures designed to help slow or prevent the spread of the virus and to prevent individuals who may be infected and unaware from transmitting the virus to others; and

WHEREAS, the number of laboratory confirmed positive cases in the State and in Nash County continue to climb as do the number of deaths related to the virus but social distancing continues to decline; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2020, William Hill, Nash County Health Director, “made a plea to County Residents to continue to wear masks, wash their hands often, and wait at least six feet from others”; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of all the current available data related to the impact of COVID-19 in Nash County, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that due to the recent

trends it is in the best interest of the residents of Nash County to issue this Resolution recommending the following conditions to slow the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

This resolution is being created to recommend and encourage all Nash County residents, as well as visitors to the County, to maintain the recommended social distance, practice proper hand washing procedures and/or use hand sanitizer frequently, especially after contacting commonly touched surfaces, and wear some type of face covering or protective face mask when in public places, indoor and outdoor.

This the 8th day of July, 2020.



Robbie B. Davis, Chairman
Nash County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Janice Evans, Clerk to the Board

On motion of Fred Belfield, Jr. seconded by Mary P. Wells and duly passed that the meeting adjourn.

Janice Evans, Clerk
Nash County Board of Commissioners