

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD - EMERGENCY MTG March 18, 2020

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 18th day of March, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at Aitkin Library, with the following members present: Board Chair Bill Pratt, Commissioners J. Mark Wedel, Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, County Administrator Jessica Seibert and Administrative Assistant Angie Sahr. Commissioner Anne Marcotte attended via telephone.

Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Wedel and carried, all members present voting to approve the March 18, 2020 agenda.

No public comments were given.

Jessica Seibert, County Administrator; Erin Melz, Public Health Supervisor updated the board on the following:

- COVID-19 Response Discussion
- Adopt Resolution: Utilization of Paid Leave During a Public Health Emergency Policy.
- Approve Authorization for Continuance of Insurance Premiums
- Approve Remote Access Agreement
- Authorizing County Administrator to amend Personnel Policies

Motion by Commissioner Wedel, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to approve Resolution for Utilization of Paid Leave During a Public Health Emergency Policy.

WHEREAS, Conditions may occur where a disease, such as influenza or other contagious respiratory disease, has reached a World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), or Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) declaration of a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, Under these circumstances, the County Administrator may invoke the Utilization of Paid Leave during a Public Health Emergency Policy to support employees who are sick to stay home.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Aitkin County Board adopts the Utilization of Paid Leave during a Public Health Emergency Policy.

Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voted to approve Authorization for Continuance of Insurance Premiums.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Wedel and carried, all members voted to approve Remote Access Agreement.

CALL TO ORDER

**APPROVED
AGENDA**

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS**

**COVID-19
UPDATES AND
DISCUSSION**

**RESOLUTION
20200318-XXX
UTILIZATION OF
PAID LEAVE
DURING A
PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY
POLICY**

**CONTINUANCE
OF INSURANCE
PREMIUMS**

**REMOTE
ACCESS
AGREEMENT**

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Motion by Commissioner Wedel, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voted to approve Authorizing County Administrator to amend Personnel Policies & Procedures During the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**AUTHORIZING
COUNTY
ADMINISTRATOR TO AMEND
PERSONNEL
POLICIES**

Motion by Commissioner Wedel, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members present voting to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

ADJOURN



William Pratt, Board Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners



Jessica Seibert, County Administrator