

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met electronically on April 21, 2020. The meeting was called to order under code §2.2-3708.2 at 9:00 a.m. Present were Edith Johnson, Chair, John Williams, Vice Chair, H. Spencer Murray, Board Member & Mozella Francis, Director.

On a motion by Board Member Murray, the minutes of the meeting were approved with no noted changes. There was no public comment or correspondence.

The Board was provided a copy of the 2019-2020 budget. There were no discrepancies identified. Ms. Francis updated the Board on the increase in spending for budget lines 833 & 895 (Adult Services and Adult Protective Services). She explained that there has been an increase in calls and referrals. Many seniors have called to have Uniform Assessment Instruments (UAI's) conducted. Ms. Francis attributed some of the increase to COVID-19.

Ms. Francis updated the Board of Directors as to the status of the Agency since the doors closed to the public effective March 20. The Board was updated that 95% of the staff was teleworking and the remaining staff were on a flex schedule. Full services continue to be provided to the community. Face to face meetings are conducted only during crises. Agency is following all CDC guidelines. Ms. Johnson suggested that staff persons who remain in the building and any others entering the building have their temperature taken. Ms. Francis agreed to inquire about a non-contact thermometer for the Agency.

On a motion by Vice Chairman Williams, and seconded by Mr. Murray the Board went into Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.1-344 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining appointees or employees of any public body.

The Board returned to Open Session.

On a roll call vote certifying to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters exempted from the public meeting and in the original motion were discussed. The vote was Chairman Johnson: yes, Vice Chair Williams: yes, Board Member Murray: yes.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Edith Johnson, Chairman
April 21, 2020

Attested by _____
Mozella F. Francis
Director