

PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Special Meeting of April 3, 2020

The Pennington County Board of Commissioners met at 9:04 a.m. on Friday, April 3, 2020, in the Commission Conference Room in the County Administration Building, Rapid City, South Dakota. Chair Deb Hadcock called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Mark DiSanto, Gary Drewes, Lloyd LaCroix and Ron Rossknecht.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA**

MOVED by DiSanto and seconded by Drewes to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Unanimous.

The Board participated in a retreat discussing various County Business.

The Board recessed for lunch from 11:45 a.m. to 12:26 p.m.

The Board continued in the retreat until 3:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened in the Commission Chambers at 3:02 p.m.

**ITEMS FROM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

A. **COVID-19 UPDATE**

**FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT (HR 6201): PENNINGTON COUNTY POLICY:**

**ANY AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS RELATED TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS**

- A. MOVED by Drewes and seconded by LaCroix to authorize the Commissioner's signatures on a letter to the Governor encouraging, with her consent, the Secretary of Health to declare a Public Health Emergency in South Dakota due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Vote: Unanimous.
- B. MOVED by DiSanto seconded by Drewes to halt hiring of any new or replacement employees into County positions without the Board of Commissioners approval until further notice. Vote: Unanimous.
- C. MOVED by LaCroix and seconded by DiSanto to restrict all business-related travel with the exception of required law enforcement or court related activities until further notice. Vote: Unanimous.  
MOVED by DiSanto and seconded by Rossknecht to implement the personal travel provisions effective immediately and continuing through the current COVID-19 outbreak or until December 31, 2020, whichever comes first. Vote: Unanimous.

Drewes left the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

MOVED by LaCroix and seconded by Rossknecht to approve the Emergency Management Department to hire 2 temporary full-time positions until the end of June, 2020. Vote: The motion carried 3-1 with Hadcock voting no.

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**ADJOURN**

MOVED by DiSanto and seconded by Rossknecht to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

/s/ Cindy Mohler, Auditor

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