

Commissioners Council Meeting Minutes 3.13.2020

In Attendance: Robert Englund, George Maglaras, Toni Pappas, Wendy Piper, Bob Rowe, Tom Tombarello, Stuart Trachy, Chuck Weed, Jack Wozmack of the Commissioners Council; Danielle Duchesne and Kate Horgan of the Dupont Group.

I. Call to Order

- a. Pappas calls the meeting to order finding a quorum fit to conduct business.

II. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

- a. Pappas presents the meeting minutes from January 17, 2020.
- b. Weed makes a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Piper **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. Weed makes an amendment to add himself to the attendance list. The amendment is accepted. The **MOTION PASSES** unanimously.

III. Vice Chair Nomination

- a. Trachy submitted a self-nomination to Pappas for the position of Vice Chair, to fill the vacancy after Commissioner Bronwyn Asplund-Walsh left her position as Commissioner.
- b. Weed makes a **MOTION** to accept the nomination of Trachy as Vice Chair of the Commissioners Council. Tombarello **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. The **MOTION** is **PASSED** unanimously.

IV. Cost-shifting

- a. Weed leads the discussion on cost-shifting, focusing on education and awareness.
- b. Discussion of the impact and ramifications of a public awareness campaign.
- c. Discussion of hesitation for the entire Association to take a unified position and action plan.
- d. Discussion to utilize existing funding mechanisms to better balance government expenditures.
- e. Discussion to focus on bill-specific cost-shifting.
- f. Decision to agree to disagree and not move forward with further discussions at this time.

V. Other Business

- a. Discussion of the Rockingham letter to the Association regarding their partial dues payment.

- b. Rockingham is still in good standing until October 15, 2020, per Association bylaws.
- c. Discussion of implications of loss of membership such as NACo representation, loss of board seats as representative of the Association, Affiliate participation, and Corrections Academy enrollment.
- d. Suggested for a letter to be drafted by Weed and Piper that outlines dues formula, implications of loss of membership, and the value Rockingham County provides the Association.
- e. Discussion of special assessment for remaining 9 counties should Rockingham County fall out of good standing.
- f. Weed makes a **MOTION** to draft the letter as described above. Rowe **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. The **MOTION PASSES** unanimously.

VI. Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting will be scheduled by the call of the Chair.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Rowe makes a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. Piper **SECONDS** the **MOTION**. The **MOTION PASSES** unanimously.

Minutes prepared by Danielle Duchesne on March 13, 2020.

Minutes approved on October 13, 2020.