

YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EMERGENCY SESSION

March 17, 2020

3:00 p.m.

Room 32, Courthouse

PRESENT: Commissioners Casey Kulla, Mary Starrett and Richard L. “Rick” Olson

STAFF: Ken Huffer, County Administrator; Christian Boenisch, County Counsel; Nohely Barajas-Montalvo, Legal Assistant; Josephine Ko, Assistant County Counsel; Lindsey Manfrin, HHS Director; Brian Young, Emergency Management Director; Carol Ann Harlan, Emergency Management Technician Specialist; Mark Lago, Public Works Director; Derrick Wharff, County Assessor; Patty Landsiedel, Assessor Senior Office Specialist and Sheriff Tim Svenson

This emergency session was called with less than 24 hours notice pursuant to ORS 192.640 in order to allow the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners to meet as quickly as possible to consider a declaration of a state of emergency in Yamhill County due to the evolving and ongoing impacts in Yamhill County from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

Commissioner Kulla called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

1. **B.O. 20-93** - Consideration of declaring a state of emergency within Yamhill County.

Ken Huffer stated the purpose of convening the Board was in response to the evolving public health issue related to COVID-19. Lindsey Manfrin updated the Board regarding the increased need for additional resources to continue Public Health’s ongoing response to the virus outbreak. She expressed concerns regarding the significant decrease of behavioral health appointments which impacts both HHS client’s access to care as well as the HHS budget. Commissioner Olson moved approval of item #1. After discussion, Commissioner Olson revised his motion to authorize the county administrator to suspend or modify personnel rules and issue temporary procedures or policy during leave, telework or relief and shall be in effect only for the duration of the emergency. The motion passed, Commissioners Kulla and Olson voting aye, Commissioner Starrett voting nay. The meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Carolina Rook
Secretary

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Chair CASEY KULLA

Commissioner MARY STARRETT

Commissioner RICHARD L. “RICK” OLSON

