

**Nassau County Board of County Commissioners  
Special Session, June 10, 2020, 10:00 A.M.  
Commission Chambers, 96135 Nassau Place, Yulee, Florida**

Call to Order

**Commissioners:**

**Present: Chairman Daniel B. Leeper.**

**Present via Go To Meeting: Commissioners Justin Taylor, Aaron C. Bell, Pat Edwards, and Thomas R. Ford.**

**Other Officials Present:** Michael S. Mullin, County Attorney/County Manager; and Taco Pope, Assistant County Manager. Also present via speakerphone were Dr. Eugenia Ngo-Seidel, Nassau County Health Department Director; and Greg Foster, Emergency Management Director.

**Staff Present:** Megan Diehl, Office of Management and Budget Director, and Peggy Snyder and Heather Nazworth, Deputy Clerks.

**Official Agenda Summary:**

**SS2000610 - 10:02:26** Dr. Seidel provided a COVID-19 pandemic update advising that as of this morning, there have been a total of 83 cases in Nassau County of which 76 are residents and 7 non-residents. Five percent of the County's population has been tested. Currently, there are no Nassau residents hospitalized with COVID-19 and 64 of 76 affected residents have been released from isolation. The Department of Health (DOH) continues to schedule mobile COVID-19 drive-up/walk-up testing throughout the County. The DOH has received cloth masks and are available to churches and non-profit organizations.

Dr. Seidel responded to an inquiry that testing has increased with the expectation of more positive tests results. The DOH is gauging the success or concern with reopening upon the hospitalization rates, Intensive Care Unit(ICU) rates, and ventilator usage. Within Nassau

County, the rate is trending down. Other trends for Influenza like illness and COVID-19 like illness are stable with a downward trend, however, there will be continuous monitoring.

**SS200527 - 10:05:16** Director Foster provided an update of the Nassau County Emergency Management's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. They continue to support the DOH and their mission of testing/Personal Protective Equipment(PPE). He advised that through the State of Florida, Emergency Management has moved the County's stock of PPE to a location provided by Public Works with the anticipation of future needs. In addition, there is planning for hurricane shelters in the COVID-19 environment. There will also be additional information provided to citizens urging to have a plan for sheltering in the event of a hurricane evacuation.

**SS2000610 - 10:00:45** Mr. Mullin advised that if anyone watching this meeting online wished to have their comments read into the record, they can do so by e-mailing their comments to [comments@nassaucountyfl.com](mailto:comments@nassaucountyfl.com). If a person wishes to be telephoned during this meeting, they can e-mail their contact information and topic for discussion to the same e-mail address. Voicemails may also be left at 904-530-6009 or 904-530-6100 and the call will be returned during this meeting. To watch this meeting remotely, a person can log onto the Clerk of Court's website [www.nassauclerk.com](http://www.nassauclerk.com).

**CONSENT ITEM(S) :**

**SS2000610 - 10:07:12 (Tab A)** Resolution extending the State of Emergency in Nassau County, Florida, due to COVID-19 through June 17, 2020.

**Motion:** Approve Tab A as stated above and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution 2020-106 regarding same.

**Maker:** Commissioner Edwards

**Second:** Commissioner Ford

**Action:** Aye: Commissioners Leeper, Bell, Edwards, Ford, and Taylor

**Follow Up:** County Manager, County Attorney

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SS2000610 - 10:07:42 (Tab B)** Approve amendment to Executive Order #4.

**Discussion:** Mr. Mullin explained that the amendment to Executive Order #4 is due to the Governor removing Louisiana from the list of areas with substantial community spread of COVID-19.

**Motion:** Approve Tab B as stated above.

**Maker:** Commissioner Bell

**Second:** Commissioner Ford

**Action:** Aye: Commissioners Leeper, Bell, Edwards, Ford, and Taylor

**Follow Up:** County Attorney

**COUNTY MANAGER BUSINESS:**

**SS2000610 - 10:08:23 (Tab C)** Update on Giddens Security Contract.

**Discussion:** Mr. Mullin provided the update.

**SS2000610 - 10:09:27** Mr. Mullin explained that the Board approved at the June 8, 2020 meeting to terminate the Real Estate Sale Agreement with Allison Lands, Inc. for the purchase of property located at Kings Ferry, Hilliard, Florida. He advised that he has received the Release and Termination Agreement for the Chairman to execute. No action is required because the agreement has already been terminated.

**SS2000610 - 10:10:01** Mr. Mullin reminded the Board that the meeting scheduled for July 27, 2020 was cancelled and based upon further discussion there is no need to reschedule due to the meetings scheduled for July 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.; July 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.; July 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.; July 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.; and July 20, 2020 at 6:00p.m. There are 15 public hearings to be considered throughout those dates and if there is an increase in public attendance the hearings can be rescheduled.

**SS2000610 - 10:10:01** Mr. Mullin advised that now available in the Commissioner Chambers are Plexiglas dividers that have been placed around the diocese. He stated that if the Commissioners feel comfortable they can return to the

chambers at the next meeting or can attend remotely based upon the Governor's order. Masks will be available if needed.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**SS2000610 - 10:12:09** Commissioner Edwards' Business:

- Expressed appreciation to the Road Department for their efforts on the roads due to the weather conditions.
- Buy Local and eat local.

**SS2000610 - 10:13:20** Commissioner Bell's Business:

- Echoed Commissioner Edwards' comments.

**SS2000610 - 10:12:56** Commissioner Taylor's Business:

- Echoed Commissioner Edwards' comments regarding the Road Department.

**SS2000610 - 10:13:29** Commissioner Ford's Business:

- Echoed Commissioner Edwards' comments.

**SS2000610 - 10:13:47** Commissioner Leeper's Business:

- Echoed Commissioner Edwards' comments.
- Thanked the Road Department for handling a request from a citizen in his district.

There being no further business, the special session of the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

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Daniel B. Leeper, Chairman

Attest:

John A. Crawford, Ex-Officio Clerk

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