

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS****OKANOGAN COUNTY****MAY 13, 2020**

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on May 13, 2020, with Chairman, Commissioner Jim DeTro; Vice Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch; Member, Commissioner Andy Hover and Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board, present.

All three Commissioners joined the meeting via ZOOM audio. Chairman Jim DeTro opened up the meeting stating this time was set aside for commissioners to discuss COVID-19 related topics.

The following callers appeared to be on the line today: Isabelle Spohn, Marcy Stamper, and Salley Ranzau.

**Discussion COVID-19 Related Discussions of the Board**

Commissioner Hover explained people need to be united in order to meet the requirements for the variance. He thinks something should be drafted to everyone saying that we can do this as a county but we need to do it with everyone going the same direction. It is up to the people of the county to change doing things a little bit. A draft letter was

He explained the concerns he has been hearing with regards to requests the county open up for business. Many citizens are confused as to county's authority to open the county for business. Commissioner Hover would like to draft a letter to the citizens of the county to help explain the County's position and authority on these matters and to explain what will be required in order for Public Health to support and write a letter to the Governor for a variance. At this time

Commissioner DeTro said we cannot keep chewing the same piece of leather for status quo. We need everyone mayors included to get the message out. People just need to do the things we all need to do because we want to get everyone open safely. The quicker we can all come together the quicker the process will be.

Craig Vejraska was consulted on the fair a decision will be needed by June first because that is the last 90 day period that people fatten up their animal with expensive feed. Shut it down by then or the kids will be pouring money into their animal unnecessarily. Commissioner Hover said there were some good ideas at the FAC for kids to make money and

Commissioner Hover requested that Natasha Moffat and Kayla Wells-Moses be scheduled on the calendar for Monday or Tuesday next week.

All mayor signature lines on the unified letter amongst the officials of the county are listed to include with the letter.

The board adjourned at 2:00 p.m.