

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met in the Board Room of the Social Services Building on September 18, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present were Edith Johnson, Chairman, John Williams, Vice Chair, H. Spencer Murray, Board Member, Mozella Francis, Director, County Administrator, Charles Kolakowski & County Finance Director, John Chandler.

On a motion by Mr. Murray, the minutes of the July 17, 2018 meeting and the August 21, 2018 meeting were approved with no noted changes. There was no public comment or correspondence.

There was an adjustment to the agenda this month, due to the presence of County Administrator & County Finance Director, the meeting began with Closed Session.

On a motion by Board Member Spencer Murray, the Board went into Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.1-344 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining appointees or employees of any public body.

Coming out of Closed Session, no motions were brought forth.

The Board returned to Open Session.

On a roll call vote certifying to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters exempted from the public meeting and in the original motion were discussed. The vote was Chairman Johnson: yes, Vice Chair Williams: yes, Board Member Murray: yes.

Mrs. Francis informed the Board that agency staff was ready and in place at Nandua Middle School for shelter duty in preparation for Hurricane Florence. There were few residents from Northampton County at the shelter and DSS staff coordinated well despite the shelter being in another county. Mr. Murray asked Mrs. Francis if she intended to meet with Hollye Carpenter after Hurricane Florence to discuss any concerns in regards to availability of door-to-door pickup, particularly of those with medical incapacities, should another evacuation occur in the future.

The Board discussed their annual training, taking place November 7 at 10:00AM at Accomack County Department of Social Services.

In regards to Medicaid expansion, Mrs. Francis is continuing to train staff, review processes and be ready to go live on January 1, 2019.

Mrs. Francis informed the Board of one pending retirement – Ed Stetar, Self Sufficiency Specialist and IT Specialist, effective January 1, 2019.

Mrs. Francis will be in the office until the next scheduled Board Meeting except for the VALHSO

Conference in Charlottesville, VA 9/19 – 9/21.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Edith Johnson, Chairman
October 16, 2018

Attested by

Mozella F. Francis
Director