

SPECIAL SESSION-THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023

The Yates County Legislature convened in special session Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 9:15 a.m. with Chairwoman Church presiding, Mr. Holgate on Zoom, and Mr. Banach & Mr. Jayne absent.

Mr. Button made a motion to hire Scott Schrader, starting June 1st, to be the County Administrator and Budget Officer with the same salary as the current County Administrator and Budget Officer, seconded by Mr. Willson.

DISCUSSION:

Chairwoman Church stated that she is a little disappointed that this has come to the floor this way. They had not finished the discussion that was held at the last meeting, but if that was Mr. Button's intent, to push this through.

Mr. Holgate stated that he cannot hear anyone speak.

Chairwoman Church stated that she is a little disappointed at the way that this has come to the floor. They were not finished with preparatory discussions that ended at the last meeting and being that Mr. Holgate is out of town. She thought it was important that they would all be present, and Mr. Jayne is also not there in order to make a decision.

Mrs. Miller started the Roll Call vote per request.

Several legislators asked what was being voted on.

Chairwoman Church stated they are voting on Mr. Button's motion, to appoint Scott Schrader as the county administrator to begin June first. Again, she is disappointed that, and she will say it for the record that it has come to the floor this way without sufficient discussion or others present, who should be there for the rest of the discussion.

Mrs. Percy stated that she personally thinks they need to go out for another search.

Mr. Morris asked if Mrs. Percy was making a motion to do an amendment that this motion be changed to say they go out to look to fill the position.

Mrs. Percy stated that she thinks they should discuss it like Chairwoman Church said, in a meeting so that they are all on the same page.

Mr. Holgate stated that he feels the same way. It just seems to him that they kind of left it in mid discussion, and he wasn't expecting to see a vote today. He didn't know that there was any sort of rush on this. He'd like to make sure that they get all of their ducks in a row before they make a vote.

Mr. Paddock stated that they either postpone it or vote it up or vote it down.

Mr. Morris stated how about they table it. He asked Mr. Button if he would be against tabling it.

Mr. Button stated that he would rather see the vote one way or the other.

Mr. Morris made a motion to table Mr. Button's motion, seconded by Mrs. Percy.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Paddock stated that a motion to table means they're going to deal with it later in the meeting. To postpone is if they're going to deal with it at a different meeting.

Mr. Morris made a motion to postpone Mr. Button's motion, seconded by Mrs. Percy.
VOTE: Roll Call –Percy, Harper, Willson, Church, Killen, Cutler, Bronson, Morris voting "Yes"; Button, Chilson, Paddock voting "No". Motion carried.

Mr. Willson stated that they have been following the banking crisis spread across the United States. He asked Ms. Flynn if the County has plans for options or strategies. Only \$250,000 in an account is all that they're guaranteed and they've got more than that in each of the banks.

Ms. Flynn stated that she would have to talk to Mrs. Mullins about that, but they have never had a strategy for anything over \$250,000. She will start to work on a plan.

The legislature and Ms. Flynn had further discussion regarding this issue.

There was some confusion deciding to stay in open session or go into executive session regarding resolution 166-23 Ratifying Tentative Labor Agreement with Council 82 (Corrections Unit).

Chairwoman Church moved to enter into executive session to discuss the Collective Bargaining Negotiations involving Council 82 Corrections Unit, attendees being the legislature and the County Administrator.

Seconded by Mr. Bronson.

VOTE: Unanimous

The Yates County Legislature convened in open session 2023 at 9:15 a.m. with Chairwoman Church presiding at 9:41 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 166-23

Mr. Bronson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Mrs. Percy.

RATIFYING TENTATIVE LABOR AGREEMENT WITH COUNCIL 82 (CORRECTIONS UNIT)

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining teams for the County of Yates, the Yates County Sheriff and the Law Enforcement Officers Union, AFSCME Council 82 have concluded negotiations for a successor collective bargaining agreement covering the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025 for the corrections bargaining unit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yates County Legislature hereby ratifies said agreement and authorizes the expenditure of the necessary funds therefore; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairwoman of the Yates County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be given to the Sheriff, the Council 82 Unit President, the County Administrator, and the County's Labor Attorney.

VOTE: Roll Call –Button, Willson, Church voting “Yes”; Percy, Harper, Killen, Cutler, Bronson, Chilson, Morris, Paddock voting “No”. Motion lost.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.