

Public Hearing
April 23, 2019

The Colfax County Board of Commissioners met on this date in a Public Hearing in the Commission Chambers with the following members present:

Bobby LeDoux, Chairman
Landon Newton, Vice-Chairman
Roy Fernandez, Member
Terrence Kamm, County Attorney - Absent

Also present were: Mary Lou Kern, County Manager and Sara Torres, County Chief Deputy Clerk.

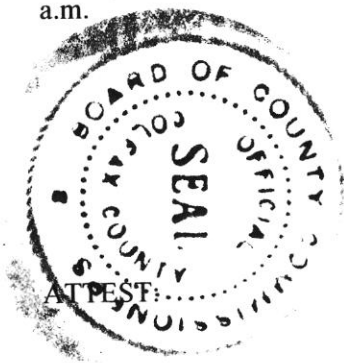
Chairman LeDoux called the Public Hearing to order at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was for discussion or any public input regarding the County Implementation of the Lodgers Tax Ordinance 2019-02.

Others in attendance were: Amanda Segura and Kathee Adams.

Discussion during the Public Hearing included:

Chairman LeDoux stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss or receive any public input regarding the County implementation of the Lodgers Tax Ordinance 2019-02. He asked if anyone would like to address the Commission with respect to the agenda. Commissioner Newton stated he read the minutes from the last meeting where Lodgers Tax Ordinance 2019-02 was introduced. Chairman LeDoux stated the ordinance was amended from a 4% to a 5% tax increase. County Manager Kern stated the Governor signed Senate Bill 106 which will take effect January 1, 2020. Legal Exemptions under Section 3B Exemption #7 will be changed to accommodate Senate Bill 106. Commissioner Newton questioned if County Attorney Kamm reviewed the drafted ordinance concerning the changes. County Manager Kern stated he did review the ordinance and if passed, it will be effective on July 1st. Commissioner Fernandez questioned if the County received any calls concerning the proposed Lodgers Tax Ordinance. County Manager Kern stated the County has not received any calls. Chairman LeDoux questioned as this is a draft, any changes made would be noted from this point and be reflected in the next presentation of the ordinance at the next scheduled Public Hearing. County Manager Kern stated the ordinance is still in drafting state, therefore amending would not be required. Chairman LeDoux stated the date of the next Public Hearing would require discussion. There was discussion concerning the next Public Hearing for April 23rd and deputizing a Clerk to be present in the absence of the County Clerk and Chief Deputy Clerk. County Manager Kern stated five Board Members would need to be appointed to the Lodgers Tax Board after the ordinance is adopted. Chairman LeDoux suggested gathering a list of potential candidates to serve on the Board which should be presented to the Commission before a decision is made. Commissioner Newton stated a variety of people within different areas of the County should be considered to serve on the Lodgers Tax Board. There was no further discussion.

Chairman LeDoux stated if there was no further discussion he adjourned the Public Hearing at 8:11 a.m.



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Member


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