

State of Vermont OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Emergency Board Meeting Minutes September 21, 2023 – 10:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Emergency Board met via Zoom on Thursday, September 21, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. (https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/vermont-joint-fiscal).

Members present: Governor Philip B. Scott, Chair; Senator Jane Kitchel; Senator Ann Cummings; Representative Emilie Kornheiser and Representative Diane Lanpher

The item on the agenda was as follows:

ITEM 1. Mobile Home Condemnation Project

Presentation by Douglas Farnham, Chief Recovery Officer, and Alex Farrell, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development

Senator Kitchel made the following motion, seconded by Senator Cummings:

Moved: "In recognition of the July 2023 flood disaster, as declared in Executive Order No. 03-23, and the need to provide assistance to households whose manufactured home on rented lots in mobile home parks has been condemned by the State of Vermont, a motion is made, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Secs. 133(b) and 706(2), to transfer up to \$1,500,000 of the funds appropriated in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. B.138 to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the compensation of owners who have suffered a total loss of their primary residence, as described in the program design in the attached materials."

The motion was passed unanimously.

ITEM 2. Revision to Business Emergency Gap Assistance Program (BEGAP)

Presentation by Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Representative Lanpher made the following motion, seconded by Senator Cummings:

Moved: "In consideration of the July 2023 flood disaster in Vermont and the continued urgent needs of Vermont businesses and nonprofits, a motion is made to amend the Business Emergency Gap Assistance Program (BEGAP), created at the July 31, 2023 Emergency Board meeting, by increasing the maximum grant amount for most applicants, as described in the updated program design in the attached materials."

The motion was passed unanimously.

With no other business, Senator Kitchel made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Representative Lanpher. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

A true record,

ATTEST:



Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

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Supporting materials can be found online at: https://aoa.vermont.gov/revenue/emergency-board-minutes.

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