

~Meeting Minutes~
Androscoggin County Commissioners
January 4, 2023
Regular Meeting 5:15 p.m.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – by Chair Sally Christner at 5:16 P.M.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Chair Sally Christner, Vice-Chair Terri Kelly, Brian Ames, Edouard Plourde, Roland Poirier, Garrett Mason, Andrew Lewis.

Other: Interim County Administrator/Finance Director Clarice Proctor, Office Manager Hillary Nadeau, Sheriff Eric Samson, Chief Deputy William Gagne, Register of Probate Thomas Reynolds, Office Manager Mike Perry, EMA Director Angela Molino, EMA Deputy Director Paul Leonard, Finance Clerk Julia Levesque, Sandy Berube, Lisbon Town Council member Harry Moore, citizen.

IV. SWEARING IN OF NEW AND REELECTED COMMISSIONERS

Register of Probate Thomas Reynolds swore in the following Commissioners:

Andrew Lewis, Roland Poirier, Brian Ames, Sally Christner, Edouard Plourde, Garrett Mason.

V. APPROVE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Garrett Mason nominated Sally Christner as Chair, seconded by Terri Kelly.

6-0-1

Abstained: Christner

Brian Ames nominated Garrett Mason as Vice-Chair, seconded by Terri Kelly.
Commissioner Mason declined.

Garrett Mason nominated Terri Kelly as Vice-Chair, seconded by Brian Ames

6-0-1

Abstained: Kelly

VI. MINUTES

A. Meeting Date: December 7, 2022.

Motion: to approve with a waiver of the reading of the December 7, 2022 minutes as presented.

Kelly-Ames 7-0

VII. WARRANTS

Motion: to approve all warrants as presented: AP Warrant JV933, Manual Warrants JV988, JV989, JV990 & Payroll Warrants.

Kelly-Poirier 7-0

VIII. REPORTS

A. MCCA-Commissioner Mason noted that the two biggest developments were receiving the assessment with the rates from Risk Pool, and Franklin County's return as a member of the MCCA

Risk Pool. Also mentioned were the future plans of the associations lobbyists-Maine Street Solutions, to review upcoming bills that will be of concern for the counties and the Sheriff's Office.

B. Central/Western Maine Workforce Board-No report.

Commissioner Mason requested to have AVCOG placed on the agenda under Reports.

C. Treasurer's Report-Treasurer Proctor presented financial information.

Chair Christner stated, "All those in favor of accepting the Treasurers report"

6-0-1

Abstained: Lewis

D. Administrator's Report-Interim County Administrator Proctor gave an update on current activities.

Motion: to allow the Sheriff's Department to look into a temperature monitoring system asap, up to \$1,000.

Poirier-Lewis 7-0

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC-N/A

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. ARPA – Consultant RFP Approval (No motion)

B. Sheriff's Office Vehicle Bid Approval

Motion: to approve the purchase of three 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV cruisers from Quirk Auto Group in the amount of \$137,963.88 and to approve the purchase of one 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV cruiser from Colonial Municipal Group of Plymouth, Massachusetts in the amount of \$44,322.90.

Ames-Kelly 7-0

C. Approve Commissioners Meeting Schedule

Motion: to approve the 2023 Commissioners Meeting Schedule.

Lewis-Kelly 7-0

D. Partnering with City of Lewiston on Homeless Project – N/A

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Executive Session-Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Sec 405(6) Subsection (A) Discussion of Personnel Issues.

B. Executive Session-Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Sec 405(6) Subsection (E) Contemplated litigation.

Commissioner Christner requested to switch the order of the executive sessions.

Motion: to enter into Executive Sessions-Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Sec 405(6) Subsection (E) Contemplated litigation and Executive Session-Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Sec 405(6) Subsection (A) Discussion of Personnel Issues.

Kelly-Ames 7-0

Motion: to return to public session.

Ames-Kelly 7-0

Motion: to set the salary that we are advertising for the County Administrator position at \$83,000 to \$95,000.

Ames-Poirier 7-0

Motion: to authorize the retention of the county's attorney in regards to the pending employee grievance.

Lewis-Kelly 7-0

XII. DISCUSSION ITEMS – N/A

XIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

* Commissioner Plourde-Strategic plan for county regarding the next five years.

* Salary Scales

XIV. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn.

Ames-Kelly 7-0

Clarice Proctor, Interim Administrator