

~ Meeting Minutes~
Androscoggin County Budget Committee
September 27, 2023
Budget Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: by Chair Lisa Cesare at 6:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Budget Committee members present:

District 1. Larry Pease, Lewiston Councilor, Ward 5

District 1. Robert Reed, Lewiston Resident

District 3. Lee Clement, Lewiston Councilor, Ward 6

District 3. Paula Masselli, Lewiston Resident, Ward 6

District 5. Phil Crowell, Auburn City Manager

District 5. Gordon Bell, Auburn Resident

District 6. Jane Pentheny, Poland Selectperson

District 6. Larry Pelletier, Auburn Resident

District 7. Vice-Chair Kevin Nichols, Turner Selectperson

District 7. Chair Lisa Cesare, Minot Selectperson

Budget Committee members absent:

District 2. Linda Scott

District 2. Vacant (Resident)

District 4. Noel Hinkley, Sabattus Selectperson

District 4. Angela Mitchell, Sabattus Resident

Other:

County Administrator Clarice Proctor, Steve Sherlock, Sandy Berube, Commissioner

Roland Poirier, District Attorney Neil McLean, DA Office Manager Michael Perry,

I.T. Bob Levesque, Facilities Director David Cote, Sheriff Eric Samson.

IV. CONSIDERATION & CONFIRMATION OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS– N/A

V. CONSIDERATION OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

On motion of Jane Pentheny, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

~~(005-2023)~~ to approve the September 20, 2023 Budget Committee minutes as presented.

VOTE: (No vote)

MOTION TO AMEND

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Kevin Nichols, it was

VOTED:

(005-2023) to approve the September 20, 2023 Budget Committee minutes as amended.

VOTE: 9-0-1

Abstained: Robert Reed

VI. REVIEW BUDGETS

District Attorney Neil McLean and Office Manager Michael Perry presented the following budgets:

Superior Court-11555

On motion of Kevin Nichols, seconded by Paula Masselli, it was

VOTED:

(006-2023) to approve the *Superior Court 11555* expenditures as presented at \$11,100 and the revenues as presented at \$11,000.

VOTE: 10-0

Victim/Advocate Restitution Specialist-11530

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Jane Pentheny, it was

VOTED:

(007-2023) to approve the *Victim/Advocate Restitution Specialist-11530* (expenditures page line 10-11530) expenditures as presented at \$80,589 and the revenues (revenues page line 9545) as presented at \$36,025.

VOTE: 10-0

District Attorney-11550

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

(008-2023) to approve the *District Attorney 11550* budget as presented (expenditures at \$785,338 and revenues at \$50,000).

VOTE: 10-0

District Attorney Joint Budget-11562

On motion of Kevin Nichols, seconded by Robert Reed, it was

VOTED:

(009-2023) to approve the *District Attorney Joint Budget-11562* as presented (expenditures at \$18,000).

VOTE: 10-0

Victim-Witness Advocate Grant-11570

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Paula Masselli, it was

VOTED:

(010-2023) to approve the *Victim-Witness Advocate Grant-11570* (expenditures page line 10-11570) expenditures as presented at \$102,441 and the (revenues page line 1019) revenues as presented at \$55,000.

VOTE: 10-0

Deferred Disposition

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Robert Reed, it was

VOTED:

(011-2023) to approve *Deferred Disposition* (revenues page line 9555) as presented at \$50,000.

VOTE: 10-0

Building/Facilities-14040 (Presented by Facilities Director David Cote)

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

(012-2023) to table *Building/Facilities-14040*.

VOTE: 10-0

Information Technology-13060 (Presented by I.T. Robert Levesque)

On motion of Kevin Nichols, seconded by Jane Pentheny, it was

VOTED:

~~**(013-2023)**~~ to reduce the *Information Technology-13060 Service Contracts line 64135* (by -\$5,000) from \$35,000 to \$30,000 and to approve the total expenditures at \$184,531.

VOTE: (No vote)

Point of order made by Phil Crowell regarding current vote count (11 affirmative votes needed to modify line item).

Amendment to motion:

On motion of Kevin Nichols, seconded by Jane Pentheny, it was

VOTED:

(013-2023) to table *Information Technology-13060*.

VOTE: 10-0

Administrator Clarice Proctor presented the following budgets:

Treasurer-12025

On motion of Robert Reed, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

(014-2023) to approve the *Treasurer-12025* expenditures as presented at \$197,670.
VOTE: 10-0

Auditing-12040

On motion of Phil Crowell, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

(015-2023) to approve the *Auditing-12040* expenditures as presented at \$19,500.

VOTE: 10-0

Interest-12030

On motion of Kevin Nichols, seconded by Larry Pease, it was

VOTED:

(016-2023) to approve the *Interest-12030* expenditures as presented at \$70,000.

VOTE: 10-0

Insurance-12060

On motion of Robert Reed, seconded by Lee Clement, it was

VOTED:

(017-2023) to table the *Insurance-12060* budget.

VOTE: 10-0

VII. ADJOURN

On motion of Larry Pease, seconded by Lee Clement it was

VOTED:

(018-2023) to adjourn at 6:43 p.m.

VOTE: 10-0

Sandra Berube