

STATE OF MAINE

ANDROSCOGGIN, SS.

November 4, 2015
Regular Meeting 5:15 P.M.

Chair Bell called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

Present at the meeting were:

Beth Bell, Chair
Ronald Chicoine, Commissioner
Sally Christner, Commissioner
Alfreda Fournier, Commissioner
Randall Greenwood, Commissioner
Elaine Makas, Commissioner
Matthew Roy, Commissioner
Patricia Fournier, County Clerk
Larry Post, County Administrator
Robert Poulin, Treasurer
Eric Samson, Sheriff
William Gagne, Chief
Raymond Lafrance, Director of Public Safety
Glenn Holt, Patrol Lieutenant
Mike Stephanak, WGLT-TV7
Steve Sherlock, Sun Journal

Motion: to accept and approve with a waiver of the reading of the minutes of the October 21, 2015 regular meeting.

Makas-Roy 7-0

Motion: to review and approve all bills, part-time deputies' payroll. Warrants # 1535, 1535A. Corrections Division Warrants # 1613J, 1613AJ.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Reports

Update from Commissioner Bell on activities at the Maine County Commissioners Association-
No report.

Update from Commissioner Makas on activities at the Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board-Commissioner Makas noted that Verso Corp announced in August that they were planning to permanently eliminate 300 jobs and shut down a paper machine and pulp dryer.

Makas read an update by Thomas Hagerstrom regarding the State Rapid Response Team's plans to work with Verso Corp to help meet the needs of the Androscoggin Mill workers who will be losing their jobs.

Update from Commissioner Makas on the Safety Committee-No report.

Update from Administrator Larry Post-Noted that he has been busy with various tasks. Updated Commissioners regarding space issues within the Androscoggin County Building, the need for a new medical provider for the jail, and Probate's need for a recording system.

Public Comments: No comments.

Motion: to accept correspondence from the Town of Greene dated October 19, 2015 regarding the process of review of the Proposed County Budget.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to accept correspondence from the Town of Durham dated October 20, 2015 regarding the process of review of the Proposed County Budget.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to accept correspondence from Sheriff Eric Samson dated August 12, 2015 requesting to post and advertise for the vacant Assistant Jail Administrator's position.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to approve the Town of Wales PSAP Services Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.

Makas-Greenwood 7-0

Motion: to approve the bid for the Tax Anticipation Loan and authorize the Chair to sign.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to approve the addendum to the Collective Bargaining Contract between Androscoggin County Commissioners and AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 for Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisory Command Bargaining Unit.

Makas-Fournier (NO VOTE)

Motion: to table the approval of the addendum to the Collective Bargaining Contract between Androscoggin County Commissioners and AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 for Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisory Command Bargaining Unit until November 18, 2015.

Greenwood-Fournier 2-5

Opposed-Bell, Chicoine, Christner, Makas, Roy

Motion: to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6), Subsection(D).

Greenwood-(NO SECOND)

Motion Withdrawn by Greenwood

Discussion regarding language used for the approval of the bid for the Tax Anticipation Loan.

Motion: to table item “c. Approve addendum to the Collective Bargaining Contract between Androscoggin County Commissioners and AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 for Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisory Command Bargaining Unit,” until after the executive session.

Greenwood-Makas 7-0

Motion: to reconsider NEW BUSINESS item b. “Approve bid for the Tax Anticipation Loan.”

Makas-Roy 7-0

Administrator Larry Post-Read the following:

“Voted by the Commissioners of Androscoggin County, Auburn, Maine as follows:

1. To authorize the issuance of the County’s Tax Anticipation Note in an amount up to Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) to Androscoggin Savings Bank at an interest rate of .77% per annum.
2. The Note shall be dated January 4, 2016, shall mature on December 30, 2016; shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners; shall be payable to Androscoggin Savings Bank, 30 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, Maine, or registered assigns, and otherwise be in such form and bear such details as the signers may determine.
3. Said Note is hereby sold and awarded to Androscoggin Savings Bank.
4. Said Note is designated as a qualified tax-exempt obligation of the County for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
5. All things heretofore done and all action heretofore taken by the County, its officers and agent in the authorization of said Note are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed, and the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners are each hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this vote including delivering said Note against payment therefor.”

Motion: to approve the bid for the Tax Anticipation Loan as read by Administrator Larry Post.

Makas-Roy 7-0

Motion: to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6), Subsection(D).

Greenwood-Roy 7-0

Returned to public session at 6:05 p.m.

Motion: to remove item “c. Approve addendum to the Collective Bargaining Contract between Androscoggin County Commissioners and AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 for Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisory Command Bargaining Unit” from the table.

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to approve item “c. Approve addendum to the Collective Bargaining Contract between Androscoggin County Commissioners and AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 for Law Enforcement and Corrections Supervisory Command Bargaining Unit.”

Makas-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6), Subsection(E).

Greenwood-Makas 7-0

Returned to public session at 6:53 p.m.

Motion: to approve the proposed settlement for the pending lawsuit received and reviewed during executive session and authorize the Chair to transmit the proposal by the memorandum attached to this vote.

Greenwood-Makas 7-0

Motion: to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Roy-Makas 7-0

Larry Post, County Administrator