

**~Meeting Minutes~**  
Androscoggin County Commissioners  
December 14, 2016  
Regular Meeting 5:15 p.m.

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** - by Vice-Chair Sally Christner at 5:17 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. SWEARING IN OF DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER-ELECT MELISSA WILLETTE**  
Dedimus Justice Robert Poulin swore in Melissa Willette as Androscoggin County District 2 Commissioner.
- IV. ROLL CALL**  
Commissioners: Vice-Chair Sally Christner, Alfreda Fournier, Matthew Roy, Randall Greenwood, Beth Bell, Elaine Makas, Melissa Willette.
- Other: County Administrator Larry Post, Treasurer Robert Poulin, Sun Journal Steve Sherlock, WGLT-TV7 Dick Clark, District Attorney Andrew Robinson, Chief Deputy William Gagne, Attorney Brian Dench, Commissioner Elect Zac Maher, EMA Director Joanne Potvin, Lewiston City Administrator Edward Barrett.
- V. MINUTES**  
Motion: to accept and approve with a waiver of reading the minutes of the November 16, 2016 regular meeting.  
Fournier-Roy 5-0-2  
Abstained-Makas, Willette
- VI. WARRANTS**  
Motion: to review and approve all bills, part-time deputies' payroll. Warrants #1638, 1639, 1639A. Corrections Division Warrants # 1716J, 1717J, 1717A-J.  
Fournier-Roy 6-0-1  
Abstained-Willette
- VII. REPORTS**
- A. Update from Commissioner Bell on activities at the Maine County Commissioners Association.**  
Commissioner Bell gave a report on MCCA activities, including information regarding the MCCA convention coming up in January.
- B. Update from Commissioner Makas on activities at the Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board.**  
Commissioner Makas discussed the activities with the Workforce Investment Board.
- C. Report from Commissioner Makas on the Safety Committee.**
- D. Commissioner Makas discussed various Safety Committee topics.**

**E. Administrator's Report**

The County Administrator gave a report on activities and meetings.

**F. Department Heads:** Register of Deeds, Register of Probate, Facilities Director.

**VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**IX. OLD BUSINESS (SEE BELOW)**

- a. Approval of the 2017 Budget
- b. Increase of the County Assessment Limit

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

Greenwood-Christner 6-1

Opposed-Fournier

Entered into executive session at 5:50 p.m.

Entered into public session at 6:30 p.m.

**IX. (RETURN TO) OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Approval of the 2017 Budget

Motion: to add \$15,000.00 back into the legal fees line 10-1020-4015.

Makas-Greenwood (No Vote)

Discussion regarding the budget.

Amendment to motion: to add \$15,000.00 back into the legal fees line 10-1020-4015 and to remove \$15,000.00 from the budget...Increase the revenue to offset the 15,000. (No Vote)

Discussion regarding the budget.

Amendment to motion: to add \$15,000.00 to Revenue from Risk Pool to offset the \$15,000 put back into the legal fees line 10-1020-4015.

Makas-Greenwood 3-3

Opposed-Willette, Christner, Fournier

Motion: to add the \$15,000 back into the legal fees line 10-1020-4015 using money from the revenue from the County Reserve Account, but if the money is not spent in the legal line, the \$15,000 will stay in the County Reserve Account.

Fournier-Makas 5-1

Opposed-Willette

Discussion regarding increase of the County Assessment Limit.

b. Increase of the County Assessment Limit  
No Motion

**XI. ADJOURN**

Motion: to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.  
Bell-Fournier 5-0

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Larry Post, County Administrator