

**~Meeting Minutes~**  
Androscoggin County Commissioners  
September 6, 2017  
Regular Meeting with Public Hearing 5:15 p.m.

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** - by Chair Sally Christner at 5:15 P.M.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners: Chair Sally Christner. Vice-Chair Matthew Roy, Zachary Maher, Noel Madore, Isaiah Lary, Alfreda Fournier. Absent: Melissa Willette.

Other: County Administrator Larry Post, Sheriff Eric Samson, Chief Deputy William Gagne, Jail Administrator Jeff Chute, EMA Director Joanne Potvin, Communications Director Martin Fournier, Register of Deeds Tina Chouinard, District Attorney Andrew Robinson, Facilities Director David Cote, Register of Probate Thomas Reynolds, Budget Committee member Norman Beauparlant, Budget Committee member Allen Ward, Sun Journal Steve Sherlock.

**IV. MINUTES**

Motion: to accept and approve with a waiver of reading the minutes of the August 16, 2017 regular meeting.

Fournier-Lary 5-0-1

Abstained-Roy

**V. WARRANTS**

Motion: to review and approve all bills, part-time deputies' payroll. Warrants #1725, 1726, 1726A, and Corrections Division Warrants #1738J, 1738A-J.

Fournier-Roy 6-0

**VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**-none

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Accept Commissioner Alfreda Fournier's resignation (with effective date)**

Motion: to accept Commissioner Alfreda Fournier's resignation effective December 1, 2017.

Roy-Madore 5-0-1

Abstained-Fournier

**VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Commissioners Only)**

**IX. PUBLIC HEARING**

**a. Overview of the budget**-Administrator Larry Post introduced the budget.

**b. Public Comments-**

Norman Beauparlant requested to see the 2016 revenues and expenditures from last year (in comparison to what they thought they would be).

Allen Ward asked if they would have a 5-year capital plan to view.

**c. Commissioner Comments**

**District Attorney's 1005**

Motion: to reduce District Attorney's account (by -\$4,000) *10-1005-4925 Witness Fees* from \$14,000 to \$10,000.

Lary-Maher 5-1

Opposed-Madore

Motion: to approve the District Attorney's *1005 Grand Total Account* at \$10,200.

Roy-Lary 6-0

**Emergency Management Agency (EMA) 1010**

Motion: to approve EMA's *1010 Grand Total Account* at Administrator's proposed \$205,630.

Lary-Fournier 6-0

**District Attorney's 1013 Restitution Specialist**

Motion: to approve District Attorney's account *1013 Restitution Specialist Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$58,839.00.

Roy-Fournier 6-0

**District Attorney's 1015**

Motion: to reduce District Attorney's account *10-1015-4305 Electricity* (by -\$3,400) from \$15,400.00 to \$12,000.00.

Lary-Maher 6-0

Motion: to reduce District Attorney's account *10-1015-5335 Office Supplies* (by -\$1,200) from \$7,700 to \$6,500.

Lary-Maher

**Motion Withdrawn**

Motion: to approve District Attorney's account *1015 Grand Total* at \$590,619.00.

Roy-Lary 6-0

**District Attorney's 1018 Joint Budget**

Motion: to approve District Attorney's account *1018 Joint Budget Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$12,800.00

Roy-Fournier 6-0

**District Attorney's 1019 Victim/Witness Advocate Grant**

Motion: to approve District Attorney's account *1019 Victim/Witness Advocate Grant* at Administrator's proposed \$103,076.00.

Fournier-Roy 6-0

**County Commissioners' 1020**

Motion: to approve County Commissioners' account *1020 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$194,691.00

Roy-Fournier

**Amendment to motion:** to reduce County Commissioners' account *1020-4023 Secretarial Services* to \$500.00, account *1020-4105 Automobile Mileage* to \$750.00, account *1020-4110 Meals* to \$750.00, account *1020-4115 Lodging* to \$500.00, account *1020-4315 Telephone* to \$1,500.00, account *1020-4820 Dues* to \$10,000.00, account *1020-4930 Registration/enrollment* to \$450.00, account *1020-5335 Office Supplies* to \$1,500.00.

Lary-(no second)

**Amendment to motion fails**

**Original Motion**

Motion: to approve County Commissioners' account *1020 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$194,691.00

Roy-Fournier

**Amendment to motion:** to reduce County Commissioners' account *1020-4015 Architect/Engineer/Attorneys* by (-\$10,000) from \$30,000.00 to \$20,000.00.

Maher-Lary 3-3

Opposed-Roy, Madore, Fournier

**Amendment to motion fails**

**Original Motion**

Motion: to approve County Commissioners' account *1020 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$194,691.00

Roy-Fournier 4-2

Opposed-Maher, Lary

**Communications 1078**

Motion: to add Communications account *1078-4305 Electricity* by an increase of \$2,500, bringing the *1078 Grand Total* to \$672,675.00.

Roy-Fournier 6-0

**Human Resources 1021**

Motion: to approve Human Resource account *1021 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$3,600.00.

Roy-Fournier 5-1

Opposed-Lary

**Treasurer 1025**

Motion: to reduce Treasurer's account *1025-5510 Statutes & Reference Books* (by -\$1024.00) to \$100.00.

Lary-Fournier 6-0

Motion: to approve Treasurer's account *1025 Grand Total* at \$177,654.00.  
Roy-Fournier 6-0

**Building 1040**

Motion: to reduce Building account *1040-4605 Parking lot/Grounds/Snow* (by -\$1,000) to \$13,000.00.

Lary-Fournier 2-4

Opposed-Roy, Madore, Maher, Christner

Motion: to approve Building account *1040 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$367,788.00.

Lary-Roy 6-0

**Information Technology 1060**

Note: Facilities Director would like to move the *1060-4420 Lease Agreement* over to the *1060-4670 Service Contracts* account (combining both accounts into 1060-4670).

Motion: to approve Information Technology account *1060 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$74,757.00.

Roy-Fournier 5-1

Opposed-Lary

**Jail 1050**

Motion: to increase Jail *1050-4450 Boarding of Prisoners* (from \$0.00) to \$100,000.000, and to approve the Jail *1050 Grand Total* at \$6,521,866.00, which includes the following transfers:

To deduct/move -\$2,500.00 from account *4306 Gas* (leaving a total of \$43,500 in account 4306) to account *5405 Uniforms* (leaving a total of \$30,500.00 in account 5405). Also, to deduct/move -\$15,000.00 from account *4004 Attorney Services* (leaving a total of \$0.00 in account 4004) to account *3606 Overtime* (leaving a total of \$250,000.00. in account 3606).

Roy-Fournier 6-0

**Registry of Deeds 1065**

Motion: to approve Registry of Deeds *1065 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$182,843.00.

Lary-Roy 6-0

**Registry of Probate 1070**

Motion: to approve Registry of Probate *1070 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$163,148.00.

Fournier-Roy 5-1

Opposed-Lary

**Sheriff's 1075**

Motion: to approve Sheriff *1075 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$1,663,990.00.

Fournier-Roy 6-0

**Civil 1076**

Motion: to approve Civil *1076 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$212,134.00.  
Fournier-Roy 6-0

**Law Enforcement Death Benefit 1077**

Motion: to approve Law Enforcement Death Benefit *1077 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$17,942.00.  
Madore-Fournier 6-0

**Auditing 1090**

Motion: to approve Auditing *1090 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$14,500.00.  
Roy-Lary 6-0

**Interest 2000**

Motion: to approve Interest *2000 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$44,138.00.  
Roy-Fournier 6-0

**Twin County Extension Service 2005**

Motion: to reduce Twin County Extension Service *2005 Grand Total* from \$49,557.00 to \$0.00.  
Lary-(no second)

Motion: to reduce Twin County Extension Service *2005 Grand Total* from \$49,557.00 to \$25,000.00.  
Lary-(no second)

Motion: to approve Twin County Extension Service *2005 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$49,557.00.  
Maher-Fournier 4-2  
Opposed-Lary, Christner

**Western Maine Transportation Services 2020**

Motion: (to not fund) to reduce Western Maine Transportation Services 2020 (by -\$42,500) reducing the *Grand Total to \$0.00 (Zero)*.  
Lary-Roy 3-2-1  
Opposed-Madore, Fournier  
Abstained-Maher

**Employee Benefits 2025**

Motion: to approve Employee Benefits *2025 Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$2,003,000.00.  
Roy-Fournier 6-0

**Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035**

Motion: (to not fund) to reduce Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035 (by -\$14,000.00) to *Grand Total* (\$0.00).

Lary-(no second)

Motion: to reduce Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035 *Grand Total* (by -\$7,000) to \$7,000.00.

Lary-(no second)

Motion: to approve Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035 *Grand Total* at proposed 14,000.00.

Madore-Fournier

**Amendment to motion:** to reduce Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035 *Grand Total* (by -\$13,750) to \$250.00.

Lary-(no second)

**Amendment to motion fails**

### **Original Motion**

Motion: to approve Androscoggin Soil Conservation 2035 *Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed 14,000.00.

Madore-Fournier 4-2

Opposed-Christner, Lary

### **Insurance 2050**

Motion: to approve Insurance 2050 *Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$130,000.00.

Lary-Roy 6-0

### **Contingency 2080**

Motion: to approve Contingency 2080 *Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$100,000.00.

Roy-Madore 6-0

### **SD Pay**

Motion: to approve SD Pay 2081-3120 *Grand Total* at Administrator's proposed \$45,187.00.

Madore-Fournier 6-0

### **Revenues**

Motion: to approve Revenues at \$3,998,646.00.

Roy-Fournier 5-1

Opposed-Maher

### **d. End Public Hearing**

## **X. COMMISSIONERS FINALIZE PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

Motion: to submit the FYI 2018 budget as previously passed by this budget committee with expenditures of \$13,635,658.00 and revenues of \$3,998,646.00.

Roy-Fournier 6-0

**XI. ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Roy-Lary 6-0

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Larry Post, County Administrator