

~Meeting Minutes~
Androscoggin County Commissioners
May 1st, 2019
Regular Meeting 5:15 p.m.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – by Chair Noel Madore at 5:15 P.M.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Chair Noel Madore, Isaiah Lary, Terri Kelly, Vice-Chair Sally Christner, Brian Ames, John Michael. Absent: John Butler.

Other: County Administrator Larry Post, Treasurer Clarice Proctor, I.T./Facilities Director David Cote, Sheriff Eric Samson, Budget Committee member Andrew Titus, Matthew Roy, WGLT-TV7 Michael Stephanak.

IV. MINUTES

a. Meeting Date: April 17th, 2019

Motion: to approve the minutes of April 17th, 2019 as presented (with opposition as stated below by Commissioner Lary).

Kelly-Ames 5-1

Opposed-Lary

Commissioner Lary stated, “These minutes are inaccurate. I have requested my information to be recorded that I submitted the documentation for my proposed By-Law change.”

V. WARRANTS

Motion: to review and approve all bills, part-time deputies’ payroll, Warrants #1921, 1922. Corrections Division Warrants #1919J, 1920J.

Michael-Christner 5-1

Opposed-Lary

VI. REPORTS

A. MCCA – No report.

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

C. Facilities, Information Technology – I.T. & Facilities Director David Cote discussed departmental ongoings & future plans.

D. Administrator’s Report - Administrator Post gave an update on current activities.

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Matthew Roy and Budget Committee Member Andrew Titus discussed the By-Laws amendment.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fixed Asset Management Policy

Motion: to approve the Fixed Asset Management Policy.
Christner-Kelly 5-1
Opposed-Lary

B. Fraud Practice Policy

Motion: to table the Fraud Practice Policy
Lary-(no second)

Motion: to accept the Fraud Practice Policy with the addition of a second person to report to (or Chair).
Christner-Madore (no vote)

Motion: to refer to committee.
Lary-Ames 2-4
Opposed-Michael, Christner, Kelly, Madore

Return to motion as amended: to accept the Fraud Practice Policy with the addition of a second person to report to *“Any fraud that is detected or suspected must be reported immediately to the County Administrator or Chair.”*

Christner-Madore 4-2
Opposed-Lary, Ames

Commissioner Lary stated, “I would like the minutes to reflect that it is inappropriate to pressure a Commissioner to rescind their motion multiple times.”

C. Credit Card Use Policy

Motion: to approve the Credit Card Use Policy
Madore-Michael 5-1
Opposed-Lary

Commissioner Christner praised Treasurer Clarice Proctor for doing a great job on all of the policies.

D. Set Budget Committee Caucuses

Discussion to set the Budget Committee Caucuses for June 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Motion: to set the Budget Committee Caucuses for June 5th.
Lary (no second)

Discussion regarding town schedules.

Motion: to set the Budget Committee Caucuses for June 19th at 6:00 p.m. & County Administrator will notify all city and town officials.
Madore-Kelly 5-1
Opposed-Lary

Commissioner Lary would like the minutes to reflect that he would like to have had the towns checked with.

E. By-Laws Amendment-1st Reading

Motion: to approve the By-Laws Amendment-1st reading.

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Madore-Michael (no vote)

Motion: Proposed amendment

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Lary-(no second)

Discussion regarding amendment versus changing the intent of a motion and the charter procedures regarding changing the By-Laws.

Return to Original Motion: to approve the By-Laws Amendment-1st reading/1st vote.

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Madore-Michael 4-2

Opposed-Lary, Ames

Commissioner Lary stated, “I would like the minutes to reflect that I feel this is irresponsible and given the fact that there are very experienced people speaking of it, I think it’s wrong for us to not be around for two meetings.”

Note: Commissioner Lary would like the minutes to reflect that he submitted his proposed By-Law change regarding the type and number of Commissioner meetings to the Chair in writing at and during this meeting.

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Commissioners Only)

Discussion regarding 5 year plans/Building Committee.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) Subsection (D)

Motion: to enter in executive session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) Subsection (D).

Madore-Michael 5-1

Opposed-Lary

Commissioner Lary would like it noted that he is opposed and concerned about the documentation submitted.

Entered into executive session.

Returned to public session at 8:30 p.m.

XII. ADJOURN

Commissioners adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Larry Post, County Administrator