

~Meeting Minutes~
Androscoggin County Commissioners
March 2, 2022
Regular Meeting 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 Terri Kelly, Edouard Plourde, Brian Ames, John Michael, Roland Poirier on phone. Absent: Garrett Mason.
Other: Administrator Larry Post, Treasurer Clarice Proctor, Facility Director David Cote, Melissa McGray, Sheriff Eric Samson, Poland Town Manager Matthew Garside, Board of Selectpersons member Mary Beth Taylor, and Vice-Chair Jane Pentheny, Patrol Deputy Jon Guay, Sun Journal’s Steve Sherlock, citizens.

IV. MINUTES

A. Meeting Date: February 16, 2022

Motion: to approve with a waiver of the reading of the February 16th minutes as presented.

Kelly-Plourde 5-0-1

Abstain: Poirier

V. WARRANTS

Motion: to approve all warrants as presented: Manual Warrants, Payroll, Warrants 2208, 2228J.

Kelly-Ames 6-0

At this time, the Commissioners skipped to the executive session. (See *XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION* for details)

VI. REPORTS

A. MCCA-No report.

B. Central/Western Maine Workforce Board-Commissioner Kelly attended a zoom meeting in which appointments to the board and the spending of ARPA funds were discussed.

C. Treasure’s Report-Treasurer Proctor shared current financial information.

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

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/PRESENTATION

A. Spectrum Presentation-Melinda Kinney discussed Spectrum services.

B. Poland selectperson-Asked questions regarding the Poland County tax. Commissioner Kelly and the County Administrator will go to their Selectman meeting on March 15th to discuss this topic.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. ARPA

1. ARPA Presentation: Community Little Theatre-President Tim Cowen explained the economic benefits offered by the Community Little Theatre and revised their request for funds to \$870,000. Bill Hamilton explained the need to repair the building. John Blanchette further discussed what Community Little Theatre offers.

2. ARPA Funding Approvals-None

B. Net Energy Billing-Administrator Post gave an update on Net Energy Billing.

C. Personnel Policy Amendment

Motion: to approve the recommendation by the Treasurer (to update/amend the vacation policy to include earned paid leave provisions as required by law).

Plourde-Kelly 6-0

D. Reserve Accounts

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's request (to move \$20,000 of unspent money from "Motor Vehicle" line to "Sheriff Vehicle Reserve" to establish a restricted reserve for the future).

Ames-Kelly 6-0

E. Approve Forfeited Assets, Sheriff's Office

Motion: to give the Sheriff the authority to accept the forfeited assets.

Michael-Kelly 6-0

F. Property Acquisition-N/A

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS-N/A

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

* Conflict of Interest Policy

* Jail Control Board

* R.E.S.T. (Recovery, Employment, Support, Training)

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) Subsection (E) Consultation with legal counsel.

Motion: to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) Subsection (E) Consultation with legal counsel.

Kelly-Ames 6-0

Motion: to return to public session.

Kelly-Ames 6-0

XII. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn at 6:58 p.m.

Ames-Kelly 6-0

Larry Post, County Administrator