

**~Meeting Minutes~**  
Androscoggin County Commissioners  
July 20, 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, Brian Ames, Edouard Plourde, Roland Poirier, Garrett Mason, John Michael.

Other: Interim County Administrator/Finance Director Clarice Proctor, Office Manager Hillary Nadeau, Facility Director David Cote, Sandy Berube, Sun Journal’s Steve Sherlock, Communications Director Martin Fournier, Sheriff Eric Samson, Register of Probate Tom Reynolds, Jail Administrator Jeff Chute, Assistant Jail Administrator Lane Feldman, Belinda Gerry, Andrew Lewis, Randall Greenwood, Elise Johansen.

**IV. MINUTES**

**A. Meeting Date:** June 22, 2022

Motion: to approve with a waiver of the reading of the June 22, 2022 minutes as presented.

Kelly-Ames 6-0-1

Abstained: Mason

**V. WARRANTS**

Motion: to approve all warrants as presented: Manual Warrants, Payroll, Warrants 2234, 2246J, 2300J.

Kelly-Plourde 7-0

**VI. REPORTS**

**A. MCCA-Interim County Administrator Clarice Proctor** attended an MCCA zoom meeting in which LD1654-Jail funding was discussed. It was also noted that there will an MCCA meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> at the Senator Inn with Janet Mills and Paul LePage in attendance.

**B. Central/Western Maine Workforce Board**-Commissioner Kelly mentioned that the Central/Western Workforce Board has a new Executive Director.

**B. Treasurer’s Report**-Treasurer Proctor presented financial information.

Motion: to approve the Treasurer’s report.

Plourde-Kelly 6-1

Opposed: Poirier

**D. Administrator’s Report**-Interim County Administrator Proctor gave an update on current activities.

**VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**-None.

## VIII. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Supervisory Union Contract-AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14

Motion: to reopen and approve the Supervisory Union Contract-AFSCME Council No. 93 Local 1828-14 as proposed in executive session, (Placing Captain Feldman on a five year step, with the remaining receiving an increase of \$4,000 effective January 1, 2023).

Ames-Kelly 7-0

### B. Net Energy Contract

Motion: to vote on acceptance of Net Energy Contract.

Ames-Kelly 0-6-1

Opposed: Ames, Michael, Christner, Kelly, Poirier, Plourde

Abstained: Mason

Commissioners recess.

**Commissioner John Michael left the meeting.**

## IX. NEW BUSINESS

### A. ARPA

#### 1. County

#3 HVAC system within County Building, \$4,309,502.

Facilities Director Dave Cote discussed the bid timeline.

Chair Christner stated that she would like to be on a local contractor's schedule by April.

No vote taken.

#48 EMA Command Vehicle ~~\$429,595.~~

Motion: to (approve the use of ARPA funds for) move forward with EMA Command Vehicle at an estimate of \$429,595.

Ames-Kelly 0-6

Opposed: Ames, Christner, Kelly, Plourde, Poirier, Mason

#65 Sheriff's Wage Adjustments, ~~\$552,410.~~

Motion: to approve the use of ARPA funds for the Sheriff's Wage Adjustments in the amount of \$552,410 for the 2023 and ½ of the 2024 year.

Ames-Kelly 0-6

Opposed: Ames, Christner, Kelly, Plourde, Poirier, Mason

### #85 Consultant (Auditing) \$150,000 – (Approved)

Motion: to approve the use of ARPA funds for an Auditing Consultant at \$150,000.

Mason-Ames (no vote)

Discussion

Commissioner Poirier-To call the question.

Motion: to authorize the Administrator to bring on an Auditing Consultant (to approve the use of ARPA funds for an Auditing Consultant at \$150,000).

Mason-Ames 6-0

**#36 Basement Renovation \$150,000 (Approved)**

Motion: to approve/earmark the use of ARPA funds for Basement Renovations at \$150,000.

Plourde-Kelly 6-0

#9 I.T. Modernization of Cybersecurity, Capital Budget \$202,140 – Hold

#47 EMA Heavy Duty Truck, Capital Budget \$60,000 - Hold

#52 Jail Control Panel Project, High Priority \$500,000 – Hold

**#55 Facility Project-Historical Society Room Renovation \$150,000 – (Approved)**

Motion: to approve/earmark the use of ARPA funds for the Historical Society Room Renovation at \$150,000.

Poirier-Mason 6-0

**#56 Flooring, County Building \$287,451 (Approved)**

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for County Building Flooring at \$287,451.

Plourde-Mason 6-0

#67 Window Replacement \$3,061,643 –Hold

**#69 Deeds Chairs \$1,238 (Approved)**

Motion: to approve the use of ARPA funds for Deeds Chairs at \$1,238.

Ames-Kelly 6-0

**#71 Fire Alarm System for County \$200,000 (Approved)**

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for the Fire Alarm System for the County Building at \$200,000.

Plourde-Kelly 6-0

#72 Fire Alarm System for Jail \$53,997 - Hold

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for the Fire Alarm System for the Jail at \$53,997.

Ames-Kelly (Motion withdrawn)

**#73. Facility Maintenance Software \$18,330 (Approved)**

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for Facility Maintenance Software at \$18,330.

Kelly-Poirier 6-0

**#53 Safe Voices \$150,000 (Approved)**

Motion: to approve the use of ARPA funds for Safe Voices at \$150,000.  
Ames-Kelly 6-0

**#74 CCTV Cameras \$45,000 (Approved)**

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for CCTV Cameras at \$45,000.  
Mason-Kelly 6-0

**#75 Audio/Video (AV) Equipment for Meetings ~~\$80,000~~**

Motion: to remove AV Equipment for Meetings at \$80,000.  
Mason-Kelly 6-0

**#76 Jail Replacement Locks \$10,314 (Approved)**

**#77 Jail Convection Oven Replacement \$20,000 (Approved)**

**#78 Jail Repave Jail Driveway \$35,000 (Approved)**

**#79 Jail Replace Carpet \$7,000 (Approved)**

**#80 Jail Additional Fencing \$8,000 (Approved)**

**#81 Sprinkler System \$30,000 (Approved)**

**#82 Communications/Dispatch Radios \$21,508 (Approved)**

**#84 Jail Chilled Water System \$13,529 (Approved)**

**#85 DA Computer Hardware/Software \$8,689 (Approved)**

Motion: to earmark the use of ARPA funds for: Jail Replacement Locks at \$10,314, Jail Convection Oven Replacement at \$20,000, Jail Repave Jail Driveway at \$35,000, Jail Carpet at \$7,000, Jail Additional Fencing at \$8,000, Sprinkler System at \$30,000, Communications/Dispatch Radios at \$21,508, Jail Chilled Water System at \$13,529, DA Computer Hardware/Software \$8,689.

Mason-Ames 6-0

**#83 Gray Key Forensic Access Software \$30,000 – Hold**

**2. Other**

**#51. Maine Arts Commission for ~~\$89,450~~**

**#40. Donald Gay Scholarship Fund ~~\$100,000~~**

Motion: to remove Maine Arts Commission for \$89,450 and Donald Gay Scholarship Fund at \$100,000.

Poirier-Ames 6-0

Motion: to table the remaining Agenda items.

Poirier-Kelly 3-3

Opposed: Ames, Christner, Mason (motion fails)

**#31. Szanton Company Affordable Housing Development ~~\$500,000~~**

**#54. Poland Elderly Housing Development ~~\$2,000,000~~**

**#70. Church of Safe Injection C.O.S.I. ~~\$50,000~~**

Motion: to remove Szanton Company Affordable Housing Development at \$500,000, Poland Elderly Housing Development at \$2,000,000, and Church of Safe Injection at \$50,000.

Mason-Ames 6-0

#63. Historical Society \$50,000 - Hold

**#68. Literacy Volunteers \$12,500 (Approved)**

Motion: to approve Literacy Volunteers at \$12,500.

Mason-Ames 6-0

#15. Tri-County Mental Health ~~\$150,000~~

Motion: to remove Tri-County Mental Health at \$150,000.

Ames-Kelly 5-1

Opposed: Poirier

**#64. REST Center \$20,000 (Approved)**

Motion: to approve REST Center for \$20,000.

Kelly-Ames 6-0

#33. Trinity \$950,000 – Hold

#35. An Angel's Wing ~~\$124,066~~

Motion: to remove An Angel's Wing at \$124,066.

Mason-Kelly 6-0

#39. LA Museum \$2,488,851 – Hold

#44. Community Little Theater ~~\$870,000~~

Motion: to remove Community Little Theater at \$870,000.

Ames-Mason 5-1

Opposed: Plourde

#60. Maine Community Integration ~~\$26,000~~

Motion: to remove Maine Community Integration at \$26,000.

Mason-Kelly 4-2

Opposed: Plourde, Poirier

#61. Seniors Plus \$500,000 – Hold/Table

Motion: to approve Seniors Plus for \$500,000.

Mason-(Motion withdrawn)

#62. Town of Minot Broadband \$188,000 – Hold/Table

#66. Franco American Heritage Center \$500,000 –Hold/Table

**X. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

\*Jail

**XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

\*Executive Session with Union

**XII. ADJOURN**

Motion: to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Ames-Mason 6-0

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Clarice Proctor, Interim County Administrator