

STATE OF MAINE

ANDROSCOGGIN, SS.

July 1, 2015
Regular Meeting 5:15 P.M.

Commissioner Bell called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Present at the meeting were:

Beth Bell, Chair
Ronald Chicoine, Commissioner
Sally Christner, Commissioner
Alfreda Fournier, Commissioner
Randall Greenwood, Commissioner
Elaine Makas, Commissioner
Matthew Roy, Commissioner
Patricia Fournier, County Clerk
Bob Poulin, Treasurer
William Gagne, Chief
Eric Samson, Sheriff
Jeff Chute, Jail Administrator
Ray Lafrance, Director of Public Safety
Andrew Robinson, District Attorney
Dick Clark, WGLT-TV7
Steve Sherlock, Sun Journal
Andrew Titus, Budget Committee
Bryan Dench, Attorney
Amy Dieterich, Attorney

Motion: to accept and approve with a waiver of the reading of the minutes of June 17, 2015.
Makas-Roy 6-0

Motion: to review and approve all bills, part-time deputies' payroll. Warrants # 1520, 1520A, 1521, 1571. Corrections Division Warrant #1601J. Requisition #742.
Makas-Fournier 6-0

Reports

Update from Commissioner Bell on activities at the Maine County Commissioners Association.
The next meeting is on July 8, 2015.

Update from Commissioner Makas on activities at the Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board.

During a conference call with Commissioner Makas and others, Jane Carol from the Maine Department of Labor discussed updates regarding changes and requirements from (WIA) Workforce Investment Act to (WIOA) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Also discussed was National Manufacturing Day, which will occur on October 2, 2015. For more information see www.mfgday.com. Other Central Western Maine Workforce Investment Board activities include hiring and training a second Disability Resource Coordinator, and hiring a second Peer Support Worker for the United Technologies Corporation (UTC) to provide support and assistance for the laid off UTC workers.

Commissioner Greenwood arrived at 5:25p.m.

Update from Commissioner Makas on the Safety Committee.
No report.

Update from Commissioner Christner regarding the jail.
No report.

Public Comments: None

Motion: to accept (item a.) correspondence from Sheriff Eric Samson dated June 23, 2015 requesting to hire Reserve Corrections Officer Nicholas Deniger to be hired as a full-time Corrections Officer to replace Artulean Thomas at \$14.55 per hour, (includes night shift differential and associate's degree), per the county's personnel officer, effective Sunday, July 5, 2015.

Makas-Fournier (no vote)

Motion: to table Correspondence with Payroll Change (item a.) until later in the meeting.
Greenwood-Fournier 6-1

Makas abstained

Motion: to accept correspondence from Sheriff Eric Samson dated June 24, 2015 regarding the resignation of Corrections Officer Kevin Mulherin, effective Friday, July 3, 2015, with the request to remain as a Reserve Corrections Officer, and that the position of Corrections Officer be posted.

Makas-Greenwood 7-0

Discussion regarding jail and LD186 – Commissioner Greenwood stated that there was a Senate amendment on LD186 that lowered the amount from 14.6 million to 12.2 year one and 12.9 year two. He noted that this would have a dramatically negative effect on Androscoggin County.

Further discussion regarding the jail and LD186.

Motion: to remove Correspondence with Payroll Change item (a.) from the table.
Greenwood-Roy 7-0

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Makas-Roy 7-0

Consent Agenda: to approve the consent agenda as presented:

To approve the Sheriff Department's full-time re-appointment for Patrol Deputy Jon Guay and part-time appointment for Donald Miller from the Lewiston Police Department.

Greenwood-Makas 7-0

Discussion regarding relocation of the District Attorney's Office – District Attorney Andrew Robinson reiterated his request for permission to negotiate the terms of a lease at 55 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, and to declare an emergency to go in effect in September until the end of the fiscal year in December.

Further discussion regarding the relocation of the District Attorney's Office.

Commissioner Greenwood stated that he did not believe that this rises to the level of emergency contingency money. Regarding the lease, it was suggested that Realtor and Chair Beth Bell and Attorney Andrew Robinson both be involved in negotiating and executing any type of contract that would come back to the Board.

Motion: to approve the Commissioners Meeting Schedule for July through September 2015.
Greenwood-Fournier 7-0

Motion: to enter into Executive session with council regarding personnel issue pursuant to Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6), Subsection(A).

Greenwood-Roy 7-0

Entered Executive session at 6:40p.m.

Returned to public session at 7:03p.m.

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

Greenwood-Roy 7-0

Returned to public session at 7:37p.m.

Discussion regarding requesting additional fiscal year-end June 30th, fourth-quarter funding.

Motion: to adjourn at 7:48p.m

Fournier-Makas 7-0