# **COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING**

# February 5, 2020

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At a regular meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of York, begun and holden at the York County Government Building in Alfred, within and for the County of York, being held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 A. D. at 4:30 P. M.

# **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Richard R. Dutremble Michael J. Cote Richard Clark Robert Andrews Allen Sicard

County Manager Gregory Zinser was present at the meeting.

#### All present were invited to rise and salute the flag of the United States.

#### 02-5-20 ITEM

1 PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S) None

#### 2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2020 MEETING Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 4 affirmative with Commissioner Dutremble abstaining as he was not present at this meeting.

#### **3** TO APPROVE TREASURER'S WARRANTS

- a. Approve treasurer's warrant dated January 15, 2020 in the amount of \$584,882.32 Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Com. Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- b. Approve treasurer's warrant dated January 23, 2020 in the amount of \$346,533.33 Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- c. Approve treasurer's warrant dated January 29, 2020 in the amount of \$430,418.23 Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

## 4 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

a. Commissioner Cote to report on Bicentennial committee- Commissioner Cote informed all present about the five items the committee has decided to work on. The first is a county video produced in collaboration with Sanford Vocational school. This video will cover various departments as well as the types of things we are doing at the county perhaps to include the drones in EMA, Child Advocacy Center and the Layman Way Recovery Center. The next item is a lecture series in which we will be sponsoring and holding various lectures throughout the county. On May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will participate in a parade in Auburn/Lewiston. The committee has come up with a passport program that will highlight York county businesses and offerings of York County. The sub-committee is looking into an issue with the cost to produce this passport. The last item is a challenge coin that will have the Maine bicentennial logo on one side and our logo on the other. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. The public is invited.

## 5 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER None

#### 6 NEW BUSINESS

a. H.R. Director Linda Corliss to seek approval of the hiring of Jennifer Jones in the position of Victim Witness Advocate with an effective hire date of February 18, 2020.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Jennifer Jones in the Position of Victim Witness Advocate with a hire date of February 18, 2020. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- b. H.R. Director Linda Corliss to seek approval of the hiring of Patrick Pierce in the position of corrections officer with an effective hire date of February10, 2020 Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Patrick Pierce in the position of Corrections Officer. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- c. H.R. Director Linda Corliss to seek approval of the hiring of Marrisa Morrison in the position of corrections officer with an effective hire date of February 10, 2020 Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Marrisa Morrison in the position of Corrections Officer with an effective hire date of February 10, 2020. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- d. H.R. Director, Linda Corliss to seek approval of Donna Marie Buckley in the position of Deeds Clerk with an effective date of February 24, 2020-Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Donna Marie Buckley in the position of Deeds Clerk with an effective date of February 24, 2020. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
  Commissioner Clark asked Linda how many Corrections Officers we are down. She replied that we are budgeted for 55 and the two persons just approved for hiring will bring the count to 47. Therefore, explained H.R. Director, Linda Corliss, we are still down about 8 but 1 ½ years ago we were down 20. She added that we are short one Corporal and also there are two more candidates to probably be hired for the next meeting pending the completion of the pre-hiring process. Commissioner Dutremble clarified that the budget has 76 corrections officer positions but due to boarding (inmates to Cumberland County) the number is 55.
- e. To seek Commissioner approval for Dispatch contract-

County Manager Greg Zinser explained that this renewal comes up every 5 years. He stated that he has had significant conversations with the Sheriff and Chief and they are happy with the service. Mr. Zinser explained that one change in the contract is how we will be billed. He went on to say that this will help with budget preparation. The amount of this contract will be \$633,814.42 annually. Commissioner Cote asked what we payed previously. The County Manager estimated around \$620,000.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the dispatch contract with Sanford Communications. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- f. To seek Commissioner approval for Food Pantry contract-County Manager Zinser advised the Commissioners that they may want to table this item as the shelter folks have not given their approval yet. Commissioner Dutremble moved to table this item. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- g. Recognize promotion of Deputy Kevin Collins to Sergeant-Commissioner Cote stated that he was at the ceremony on Friday and he ceremonially swore Sgt. Collins in. County Manager Zinser commented that it was a good ceremony and congratulations to Sgt. Collins.
- h. Seek Commissioner approval on year- long use of bicentennial logo(seal)-Commissioner Cote explained that he is asking for the Board's approval.
  Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the change in County logo to observe the bicentennial in Maine to include using it on county letterhead, etc. Commissioner Andrews seconded the motion.
  Discussion- Commissioner Dutremble asked if the Commissioners have this

authority? Commissioner Cote replied that we are celebrating with the State but it is our seal so we as Commissioners can authorize it. Vote 5-0.

# 7 OLD BUSINESS

None

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- TO CONDUCT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL ISSUES PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A), ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (C), LABOR NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) AND CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E), REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F)
  - a. 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) personnel -discuss leave of absence request-Commissioner Clark motioned to go into executive session pursuant to the above statute. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Commissioner Clark moved to approve an employee leave of absence through May 4, 2020. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
  - b. Jail Administrator, Lt. Col. Michael Vitiello request to meet under 1 M.R.S.A. §402(3) (Q) Security plans, staffing plans, security procedures, architectural drawings or risk assessments prepared for emergency events that are prepared for or by or kept in the custody of the Department of Corrections or a county jail if there is a reasonable possibility that public release or inspection of the records would endanger the life or physical safety of any individual or disclose security plans and procedures not generally known by the general public.-not going to be heard tonight. NO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THIS ITEM

# \*\*\*HEARD PRIOR TO AGENDA ITEM #8\*\*\*\*

PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S) None

Discussion of continuation of Commissioners' tours of county buildings. It was decided to meet at the courthouse on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February at 3:00. It was also decided by the Commissioners to meet at Layman Way at 3:00 p.m. on March 4, 2020.

# 10 ADJOURN

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Commissioner Clark motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.