

9:00 AM Commissioners Peter Baldacci, Andre Cushing and David Marshall

Roll Call -

Commission Chair Cushing opened the meeting at 9:05 AM from the Commissioners Chambers with all Commissioners, Treasurer Mower, Administrator Adkins and Deputy Administrator LaBree present.

Pledge of Allegiance – Director Bragdon

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Director Buswell and Deputy Director Morrison presented the following:

- The Shin Pond Trail Riders grant application was presented. After discussion, Commissioner Cushing signed the Municipal ATV Grant Application so that it can be sent to the State.
- The Town of Medway solid waste and recycling agreement was discussed. The County has had a contract with the Town of Medway since 2013 with no increase in cost; residents of four towns utilize Medway's transfer station. Medway has requested an increase from \$3,900 to \$12,259.75 on this one-year contract. Director Buswell plans on meeting with the Board of Selectmen.

Director Buswell has recommended that the town apply for a TIF grant to help cover some of the cost of the transfer station renovation.

- Discussion on putting together a contract with the Town of Medway for fire services
- Discussion on the FY24 Summer Road projects. Director Buswell feels that two paving projects that were not completed last year may qualify for TIF funding in the amount of \$138K. The Scraggly Lake Road project may come in less than quoted.
- Discussion on the Drew Plantation plow contract. The County will be picking up 8.6 miles of road; it is Director Buswell's recommendation at this time to extend the Kingman contract an additional year to provide enough time to put together a plan of action.

Sheriff/Jail

Sheriff Troy Morton presented the following:

- Jail count today is: 166 in-house, 70 boarded out to other facilities & 98 in pre-trial services
- A discussion on bail commissioners is showing staffing to be low. Bail commissioners find it is easier and more secure to bail at the jail versus going to the individual police departments.
- The 2024 patrol vehicle bids were discussed. It was agreed that the best option would be to purchase ten vehicles from a vendor in Massachusetts which results a savings of \$25,000. These vehicles will be deferred until October with monies from the 2024 budget. Service agreements local will be kept local.
- Discussion with the Moss Group training plan took place last week and was encouraging. It may take up to a month to set up as we would like to build a schedule that all can be trained

Sheriff's Update – Continued:

face to face. Sheriff would like to extend this national training to other local correctional facilities after making sure our staff is enrolled first.

- Sheriff reported on resource sharing with the Maine State Police. Maine State Police are looking to reduce to a 5 to 1 zone. If this takes place, it is not only the need for three additional deputies being outfitted, but stretches our staffing as well on the court officer, detectives, and clerical. Our supplemental contracts will be affected as well.

When the County took on an additional zone from MSP, three additional deputies were hired at approximately \$136K per position for wages, benefits, equipment and share of the car.

ARPA Update –

Sub-recipient discussions were as follows:

- Kate Dickerson, Executive Director of the Maine Discovery Museum reported on the \$500K award from the County and an additional award from the City of Bangor to the Maine Discovery Museum for a new HVAC ventilation system. An estimate has been received from the engineering company. After discussion, Grant Manager Dana will provide assistance on the draw down process.
- President/CEO Lori Dwyer, Director of Grants and Development Heather Blackwell, and Edward Marsh, Chief Infrastructure Officer of PCHC came before the Commission to discuss their ARPA funding request of \$2.5M. The original request of funds would be used for two years of operational funding to launch a new transitional recovery housing program. It would convert what is currently transitional housing without support services, to recovery focused transitional housing. The current request for funding of \$2.5M is for construction costs, furniture, fixtures and equipment. Particulars on the vision of this project and how this would be completed was discussed. After discussion, the Commission felt \$2.5M is appropriate to allocate to this project. Commission also felt that additional funding for a new truck would also be considered. The official vote will take place next week on June 6th.
- Foundation President Brad Coffey and Vice President of Finance Mike Hendrix reported on a request for funding of an emergency generator with a \$1.4M cost. No formal application has been filed at this time. After discussion, it was hoped that the City of Bangor will contribute \$700K, \$150K from the State and \$532K from the County.

Break for Recess – 11:10

Meeting Convened at 11:20 a.m.

ARPA/\$300K Commissioners' Fund Discussion –

Grant Manager Wendy Dana brought to the Commission the third round of applications by district for discussion. After discussion, it was decided that voting will take place June 6th with an updated spreadsheet with revisions provided to the Commission.

Buildings Update -

Director MacDonald presented the following:

- Discussion on the removal of the underground oil tank. After contacting several contractors regarding oil and tank, Dysart's was the only one interested in removing the oil at no cost. The next step will contract someone to pump the last of the oil/sludge. Since the tank will still be in the ground in June, an annual inspection will have to take place. With a consensus, Director MacDonald can get the processes started.
- A discussion on the capital improvement plan for the entire campus took place. The jail has the most projects with doors and locks, HVAC/Repairs, lighting, plumbing fixtures, steps, ramp, flooring and three jail blocks. The rest of the campus has projects to be completed such as: HVAC, pneumatics, parking lot improvements, locks/keys, flooring, stairs and removal of oil tank.
- Director MacDonald discussed the hand-me-down truck he has with close to 300K miles with parts falling off. Because of the condition, it is unsafe to drive far from the campus. Further discussion will take place at a later date.

Executive Session---Commissioner Baldacci made a motion to go into Executive Session at 12:15 AM under 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) Contract Matter. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion. Vote to approved passed 3-0. Present were: Commissioners, Administrator Adkins, Deputy Administrator LaBree, Treasurer Mower, Sheriff Morton, Director MacDonald and Director Bragdon. Session ended 12:45 AM

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Action Taken – None

Commissioner Baldacci moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:43 PM with no further business on the agenda. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion. Vote to approve passed 3-0.

Certified By:

Administrator, Scott A. Adkins

Andre E. Cushing, III, Chair

Peter K. Baldacci, Commissioner

David S. Marshall, Commissioner