

STATE OF MAINE

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within and for the County of Lincoln, on the fifteenth day of September, by adjournment from the first day of September.

Present: Mary R. Trescot, Chair  
William B. Blodgett  
Hamilton W. Meserve (Participated by phone)

In response to the Executive Order from the Governor's Office, the meeting was held at the Lincoln County Planning Office to maintain the social distancing requirements of the individuals participating. The meeting agenda reflects this change in protocol. Two members of the press participated, in addition, several County departments were present.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve minutes from the September 1, 2020 meeting; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Finance Director Michelle Richardson presented for approval:

Warrant #55 \$183,125.44

Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

One (1) Payroll Warrant was presented for approval:

Payroll Warrant #2020-19 \$188,609.44

Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Sheriff Todd Brackett reported a current Jail count at Two Bridges Regional Jail (TBRJ): 11 Lincoln County inmates; Sagadahoc County holds 22 inmates at TBRJ; Federal 2; Oxford 20; York 2; Cumberland 1; Waldo 1, for a total of 59.

Authorization to Probationary offer employment to Michael Moody formerly of Two Bridges Regional Jail as a Patrol Deputy. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Authorization of purchase for a Police Service K-9 using the Heidi Fund in the amount of \$7,950.00. Officer Jonathan Colby will be the new K-9 handler for the Sheriff's Department. The K-9 is a 1 year old German Shepard imported from Czechoslovakia. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Purchase order for 2 Dodge Durango's through Newcastle Chrysler for \$28,589.00 each. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Insurance reimbursement of \$20,291.00 from Patriot Insurance for the Sheriff's Vehicle that was damaged in an accident on August 28, 2020. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Approval to put out for bid to get a replacement vehicle for the Sheriff. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

The School Resource Officer position at Lincoln Academy is currently being filled by SGT Day, request to advertise the position. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Director Casey Stevens presented the EMA update on the Lincoln County Rescue Task Force. The task force is a County wide team consisting of 30 members that will respond to active risk, multiple casualty situations. The role of EMA is to provide support, resources and funding.

Purchase authorization for medical equipment to fill 32 bags for the Rescue Task Force in the amount of \$11,089.68 of Homeland Security Grant funds. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Purchase authorization for 32 medical bags to hold the medical equipment in the amount of \$3,840.00 of Homeland Security Grant funds. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

AM Radio tower located on Hunt Hill in Newcastle purchase order for a new antenna and mounting in the amount of \$3,396.50. The funds will come from the Homeland Security grant. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Purchase order for Hunt Hill tower maintenance and antenna installation in the amount of \$2,870.00. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

County Administrator, Carrie Kipfer requested that we table to the next meeting the Casella contract renewal for recycling.

Administrator Kipfer informed the Commissioners of a Public Hearing Notice that was received from the MDOT for the replacement of the Davis No. 1 Bridge over Brann Brook located in Jefferson.

At 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Blodgett moved to enter into executive session with the County Administrator for a discussion of Legal according to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (E); second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved. Out of session at 11:05 a.m. No votes were taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

There being no further business, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on the 6th day of October A.D. 2020.

ATTEST: Denise Melly  
Administrative Assistant