

STATE OF MAINE

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within and for the County of Lincoln, on the seventh day of July, by adjournment from the sixteenth day of June.

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 June 16, 2020 meeting; second by Commissioner Trescot; 2 – 0 vote approved.

Finance Director, Michelle Cearbaugh, presented for approval:

Warrant #38	\$222,221.85
Warrant #39	\$422,159.76

Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Trescot; 2 – 0 vote approved.

One (1) Payroll Warrant was presented for approval:

Payroll Warrant #2020-13	\$181,873.91
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Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Sheriff Todd Brackett reported a current Jail count at Two Bridges Regional Jail (TBRJ): 15 Lincoln County inmates; Sagadahoc County holds 22 inmates at TBRJ; Federal 3; Oxford 24; Penobscot 14; Hancock 1; Kennebec 1; York 3 for a total of 71. The jail population is significantly reduced because an effort has been made to home release as many inmates as possible in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, although an increase over previous reports reflected a change in the court schedules.

The Maine Pretrial contract was presented for renewal. No change except for the dates. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

The MDEA contract was presented for renewal. Reimbursement rates reflect the new labor contracts. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3 – 0 vote approved.

ACO contract renewals for the following towns were presented, Whitefield; Dresden; Jefferson; Wiscasset; Bremen; Boothbay; Alna; Bristol; Nobelboro. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

An employee resignation was received and presented to the Board. ACO Kayla Demmons is resigning. Her last day was May 15, 2020. Motion to approve with regrets by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Out of state travel request for Deputy Mark Bridgham was presented for him to attend a 2 day training workshop in Charlotte, NC for DDSCTS Analyst Workshop. All travel expenses will be paid by the sponsor, but LCSO will pay 16 hours for Deputy Bridgham to attend. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

From the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission (LCRPC), Executive Director Mary Ellen Barnes presented the Brownfield purchase order for \$6,232.50. This will be covered through the EPA grant that was awarded. They will be testing for environmental issues at the A.D. Gray School location. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

County Administrator, Carrie Kipfer presented the hiring request for the Probate Clerk position for Toni Lorom, her start date will be July 13, 2020. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Maine State Archives grant application was submitted for the New Century Grant of \$1,500.00 to assist in digitizing the records for the Probate office. The grant will be used for man hours if it is awarded to have a dedicated person for the archive process.

Recycling contract renewals were presented for the towns of Windsor, Warren, Pittston, Georgetown and Tri-County Solid Waste Management. No increase in price was recommended as increased labor costs will be offset by a decrease in fuel cost. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Lincoln County Regional Planning office sign proposal was presented for the construction of a new sign. More information from the Town of Wiscasset and Department of Transportation is being requested to make sure all the proper permits and ordinances are followed. Will present the findings at the July 21, 2020 meeting. Commissioners voted to move forward with the proposal. Motion to approve by Commissioner Blodgett; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

There being no further business, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on the twenty first day of July A.D. 2020.

ATTEST: Denise Meth
Administrative Assistant