# 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 April 2025 by adjournment from the first day of April 2025.

Present:

William B. Blodgett David Levesque Evan Goodkowsky

## **Public Comment**

None – the Community Navigator presentation has been postponed to a future date.

#### Minutes

April 1, 2025- Commissioner Levesque moved to approve, second by Commissioner Goodkowsky; 3-0 vote approved.

# **Finance Department**

**Warrants** – Finance Director Michelle Richardson presented for approval accounts payable warrant #49 for \$302,675.02. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

Payroll warrant #2025-07 for \$308,327.21 was presented for approval. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

A renewal of the annual Heating Oil contract with M.W. Sewall was presented. A total of 21,000 gallons at a price of \$2.869 per gallon is recommended. Commissioner Levesque moved to approve, second by Commissioner Goodkowsky; 3-0 vote approved. Finance Director Richardson will sign the contract on the Commissioner's behalf.

A refund in the amount of \$1,684 was received from Maine Municipal Association as a result of our 2024 Worker's Comp Audit. The recommendation to deposit these funds in the Employee Safety/Wellness Reserve Account was accepted. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

## Sheriff's Department

Jail Count – Chief Deputy Rand Maker reported the jail count as follows: Lincoln 21, Sagadahoc 30, Knox 26, Penobscot 57, Waldo 25, Federal 04, and Immigration Control 22 for a total of 185.

**Payment Authorization** – Installation of emergency equipment in a new patrol cruiser in the amount of \$9,122.95 from Coastal Electronics was presented. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

Employee Change of Status — Chief Deputy Maker requests permission to place Reserve Deputy Warren Waltz on Inactive Status until further notice. Deputy Waltz is not able to commit to working any hours at this time and a change of status will relieve him from annual training requirements of the department. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

Out of State Travel Request — Chief Deputy Maker requests permission to allow Detective Jared Mitkus to travel to the National Computer Forensic Institute in Hoover, Alabama from June 22-June 28 to participate in a *Skimmer Forensics Course*. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

Out of State Travel Request — Chief Deputy Maker requests permission to allow Detective Matthew Ryan to travel to the National Computer Forensic Institute in Hoover, Alabama from July 6-July 11 to participate in a *Digital Currency Course*. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

## LCRPC

**DECD Housing Opportunities Program** – Executive Director Emily Rabbe requests permission to accept a DECD Housing Opportunities Grant in the amount of \$150,000 to be used towards a sewer and water feasibility study for affordable housing. This will complement the Housing Study that was previously completed by LCRPC. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to approve accepting the grant and authorizing County Administrator Carrie Kipfer to sign on their behalf, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

Hiring Recommendation – Director Rabbe made a hiring recommendation for the annual summer intern for LCRPC. The Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center organizes an intern program and the 2025 applicant selected is Chaffee Stoddard, who will be a *Community Resilience Planning Assistant* effective May 27, 2025 for a limited term employment of 12 weeks. Commissioner Levesque moved to approve, second by Commissioner Goodkowsky; 3-0 vote approved.

## Administrator

**Purchase Authorization** – Administrator Kipfer presented a purchase authorization in the amount of \$6,055.04 to New England Kenworth for Recycling truck repairs. Commissioner Levesque moved to approve, second by Commissioner Goodkowsky; 3-0 vote approved.

**Notice of Layout and Taking** – The Department of Transportation provided a Notice of Layout and Taking for a parcel in the Town of Waldoboro owned by Laura Buxbaum, et al. Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to accept the Notice and place it on record with the Registry of Deeds, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved.

# Executive Session: Discussion of Legal-1 MRSA 405 (6) (E)

Commissioner Goodkowsky moved to enter Executive Session, second by Commissioner Levesque; 3-0 vote approved. Out of Executive Session, no votes were taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM to the 6th day of May 2025 A.D.

ILLEST:

County Administrator