State of Maine

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within the County of Lincoln on the fifteenth day of March 2022, by the adjournment from the first day of March, 2022.

Present: William Blodgett
Hamilton W. Meserve- Chair
Mary Trescot via Telephone

Minutes

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve the minutes from March 1st, 2022, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Finance Department

Finance Director, Michelle Richardson presented for approval the following warrants: #2022-5 \$184,773.85.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Sheriff's Department

Jail Count- Chief Deputy Rand Maker reported the jail count as follows: Lincoln County 16, Sagadahoc 21, Federal 01, Knox/Waldo 45, Penobscot 39, Oxford 01, Cumberland 01, York 01, and Kennebec 01. For a total of 126

Payment Authorization- Power DMS grant purchase. Chief Deputy Maker request payment authorization to Power DMS software in the amount of \$6,490.83. This is utilizing a grant that was received last year. Commissioner Blodgett moved to authorize payment, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Payment Authorization-Coastal Electronics (Cruiser Equipment)

Chief Deputy Maker request payment authorization to Coastal Electronics for installation of equipment into a cruiser for \$7,911.30. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve payment, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Payment Authorization – Ballistic Vest & Carriers

Payment requested by Chief Deputy Maker to pay Admiral Fire & Safety \$4,282.92 for 3 Ballistic Vest & Carriers. Commissioner Blodgett moved to authorize payment, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Authorization to sell surplus vehicle and equipment-

Chief Deputy Maker is requesting authorization to sell a 2016 Ford Explorer as is for \$2,000.00 to Central Lincoln County Ambulance Service in Damariscotta. Commissioner Blodgett moved to authorize sale, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Employee Resignation-ACO

Chief Deputy Maker is presenting to Commissioners the resignation from Animal Control Officer Mike Livers effective 2.27.22. Commissioner Blodgett moved to accept the resignation, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Communications

Communications Director Tara Doe request authorization to pay DiMauro Electric for work done on the new consoles in the amount of \$6,220.51, ARPA funds are being utilized for this project. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve payment, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Console replacement update-

Communications Director Tara Doe gives the Commissioners an update on the console replacement and the updates being done at the communications center.

Administration

Payment Authorization -LCRPC Boiler Replacement

Administrator Carrie Kipfer request approval for payment authorization to MidCoast Energy as the final payment of \$6843.00 for the boiler that was installed at LCRPC. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve request for payment, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

DOT –Supplemental Notice of Taking

Administrator Kipfer informs Commissioners of Notice of Taking has been filed for a property on Rt. 1 in Wiscasset. Commissioner Blodgett moved to accept the filing, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

EMA hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Administrator Kipfer updates the Board of Commissioners regarding the Mitigation Plan. All towns were represented and the plan has been filed and accepted by FEMA.

ARPA Project-LC Sewer Districts capital projects. FYI

Administrator Kipfer discusses with the Commissioners that the ARPA funding is available to the sewer districts of Waldoboro, Great Salt Bay, Wiscasset and Boothbay. The funding is from \$25,000 to \$200,000. The districts have to submit applications and meet requirements. The deadline is April 15th by 5:00pm. A letter of intent will be accepted by deadline but must include a summary of potential projects and a time line of when a full application will be submitted.

Connect Maine Broadband funding awards.

Administrator Carrie Kipfer updates the board on a few towns that have received federal funds for broadband. Both Somerville and Jefferson have received funding. Towns have to submit an application for this funding

Executive Session:

Discussion of Legal Consultation- 1 MRSA 405(6) (E)

Commissioner Blodgett moved to enter executive session, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved. Commissioner Blodgett moved to exit executive session, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to proceed with negotiating a legal matter with a former employee, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved. Commissioner Blodgett moved to exit executive session, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Discussion of Labor Contracts-1MRSA 405 (D) (E)

Commissioner Blodgett moved to enter into executive session, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved. Commissioner Blodgett moved to exit executive session, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to accept the collective bargaining agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police beginning Jan. 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024 as presented, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to adjourn meeting, second Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to the 5th day of April 2022 A.D.

ATTEST

Administrative Assistant