

## State of Maine

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within the County of Lincoln on the fourth day of October 2022, by the adjournment from the twentieth day of September ,2022.

Present: William Blodgett-Interim Chair  
Hamilton W. Meserve – Via Phone  
Mary Trescot

### **Minutes**

#### September 20<sup>th</sup> 2022

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

#### September 22, 2022 Budget Meeting

Commissioner Trescot Moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

### **Finance Department**

Finance Director, Michelle Richardson presented the following warrants for approval:

#67 for \$177,645.77

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

#2022-19 for \$196,925.96

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

2022 Audit Service-Current Auditor, Berry Talbot Royer has provided notice that they will be withdrawing from our current contract. Former Auditor, RHR Smith has agreed to provide audit services at the same rate. An engagement letter will be presented at the next Commissioners meeting.

### **Sheriff's Department**

Jail Count- Chief Deputy Rand Maker reported the jail count as follows: Lincoln County 26, Sagadahoc 17, Knox/Waldo 34, Penobscot 71, Cumberland, 01, York 01 and Federal 07 for a total of 157.

Payment Authorization- Chief Deputy Maker is requesting payment authorization of \$2,810.00 to Admiral Fire & Safety for 2 safety vest. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Promotion Announcement-Patrol Sergeant- Chief Deputy Maker is announcing the promotion of Scott Hayden to Patrol Sergeant, effective date to be determined. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Authorization to Hire- Chief Deputy Rand Maker is requesting authorization to make a conditional offer to Joseph Booth for a Patrol Deputy position. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

### **Communications**

Employee Reinstatement- On behalf of Communications Director Tara Doe, Administrator Kipfer presents to the board the rescinding of resignation and reinstating of ECO Curtis Bigelow  
Commissioner Trescot moved to accept and reinstate, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

**EMA**

Amateur Radio Team Communications with Hurricane Ian Victims- EMA Director Casey Stevens shares with the board that the RACES communications team has set up a mobile command vehicle so that friends and family can reach out to people they have lost touch with during a natural disaster. Ham radio operators will help folks relay a short message through the National traffic system.

MEMA EMPG Contract Renewal- EMA Director Stevens request permission to sign the 2 year contract for \$137,385.88 from 10.1.22 to 01.31.24. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

**Administrator**

Contract for Internet and Phone services at LCRPC-Administrator Kipfer is requesting permission to sign the contract for new internet service at speed greater than 20mb x 20mb with GWI. The cost of connection plus the service is to be less than the current \$447 per month. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Payment Authorization- Administrator Kipfer is requesting authorization to pay Ransom Consulting (Brownfields) in the amount of \$13,429.61 for phase 2 of the site assessment on Westport Island. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

DOT Notice of Taking- Administrator Kipfer shares with the board the receipt of a Notice of Taking from DOT for a parcel of land in S. Bristol. Commissioner Trescot moved to acknowledge receipt and place on record, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Cybersecurity Training for Employees -Administrator Kipfer informs the Board that cybersecurity for staff started on October 1.

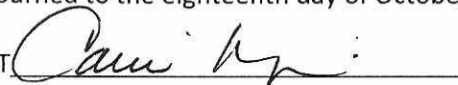
ARPA – Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative- Administrator Kipfer presents to Commissioner the request from Boothbay Region Clean Drinking Water Initiative received in April. This request is for \$195,000.00 (from the ARPA funding) to be used over a three year period for the protection of the drinking water supply in the Boothbay region. A usage agreement will be prepared and the parties will be notified. Commissioner Trescot moved to accept their proposal and agreed to provide funding, second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

**Executive Session:**

Discussion of Personnel- 1 MRSA 405 (6) (A) Commissioner Meserve moved to enter into executive session; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved. Out of executive session with no votes taken.

Discussion of Legal- 1 MRSA 405 (6)(E) Commissioner Meserve moved to enter into executive session, second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved. Out of executive session with no votes taken.

There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned to the eighteenth day of October 2022 A.D.

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County Administrator