

STATE OF MAINE

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within and for the County of Lincoln, on the first day of February 2022 by adjournment from the eighteenth day of January 2022.

Present: Hamilton W. Meserve, Chair
William Blodgett
Mary Trescot - Absent

Minutes-

January 18, 2022 – Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve the minutes from January 18th 2022 meeting, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Finance Department-

Finance Director Michelle Richardson presented for approval the following warrants:
#28 (2022) \$ 230,911.24.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve; second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

#2022-2 Payroll Warrant for \$194,863.50

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve; second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Sheriff's Department-

Jail count- Sheriff Brackett reported the jail count as follows: Lincoln County 11, Sagadahoc 23, Federal 03, Knox 36, Penobscot 21 and Oxford 02. For a total of 96.

Shellfish Contract Renewals- Chief Deputy Rand Maker request approval to send Shellfish contracts for Damariscotta/Newcastle, and Bremen. Commissioner Blodgett moved to grant approval for Damariscotta/Newcastle shellfish contract renewal, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved. Commissioner Blodgett moved to grant approval for the Bremen contract renewal, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Payment Authorization-

Sheriff Brackett is requesting payment authorization for Ballistic Shields purchased from Hardwire for \$11,695.50. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve payment, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Sheriff Brackett is requesting payment authorization for Pepper Ball Equipment from Less Lethal for \$6,594.00. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve payment, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Sheriff Brackett is also requesting payment authorization for \$7,966.30 to Coastal Electronics for installation of equipment into a new cruiser. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approved payment, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Bid Opening-Replacement Cruiser-Sheriff Brackett and Chief Deputy Rand maker opened bids received, they are as follows: **Darlings** – 2022 Gas Interceptor =\$32,989.00 + \$3,100.00 for hybrid. **Newcastle-** 2022 Ram SUV Crew Cab \$35,649.00. And **Quirk Auto** 2022 Gas Interceptor \$33,341.00 and \$36,430.0 for Hybrid minus the carpet the total would be \$36,098.00. Sheriff Brackett would like to recommend the hybrid from Quirk Auto for \$36,098.00. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve purchase from Quirk Auto, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Communications

Purchase Authorization-Consolidated Communications (console upgrade)

Communications Director Tara Doe request permission to contract to move 911 equipment in preparation for renovations from Consolidated Communications for \$12,800.00.

Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve contract, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Emergency Management

Payment Authorization- OnSolve (Code Red) EMA Director Casey Stevens is requesting permission to renew the annual subscription to OnSolve which is shared with the Sheriff's Department. The total annual fee is \$8,820.00. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve renewing subscription, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Payment Authorization-EMT Training (United Ambulance) EMA Director Stevens requests payment authorization to United Ambulance for EMT training for 16 Students from the following towns: Alna=1, Bremen=1, Bristol=1, Dresden=1, Boothbay=5, Boothbay Harbor = 3, Southport = 2 Waldoboro=1 and Whitefield = 1 for a total of 16 students costing \$19,200.00 which will be paid for with ARPA funds. Commissioner Blodgett moved to approve payment request, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Administrator

State Claims Commission Hearing-Administrator Kipfer informs the board of a hearing on March 30th 2022 regarding compensation for property in Edgecomb on Rt. 1. , a Board member will need to be present at the hearing. Commissioner Blodgett move to have Commissioner Meserve attend the hearing, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved.

Department of Transportation- Notice of Taking- Administrator Kipfer notified the Board that a *Notice of Taking* was received from the Department of Transportation related to a parcel of land in Boothbay on the River Road. The Board acknowledged receipt and will place on file in the Registry of Deeds office. Commissioner Blodgett moved to accept, second by Commissioner Meserve.; 2-0 vote approved.

Executive Session: Discussion of Labor Contracts- 1MRSA 405 (6)(D)- Commissioner Blodgett has moved to enter into discussion, second by Commissioner Meserve; 2-0 vote approved. Commissioner Trescot has joined the discussion via phone. Out of discussion and no votes were taken.

Communication from Legal Counsel- MRSA 405 (6) (E) Commissioner Meserve moved to enter into discussion, second by Commissioner Blodgett; 3-0 vote approved. Out of discussion and no votes were taken.

There being no further business the Commissioners adjourn to meet on the fifteenth day of February A.D. 2022

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Administrative Assistant