

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Minutes

This meeting will be conducted in person and electronically (via Zoom) at

County Hall 12 Court Street Keene NH, 03431

Zoom Call-in Number: +1 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 409 748 8803 Pin #: 603123

Start Time 08:30 AM

Present: Commissioners Jack Wozmak, Terry Clark, and Robert Englund.

Absent:

Staff: County Administrator Coates, Finance Director Trombly, HR Director May, Director of Executive Services Bernstein, and Superintendent Iosue.

Public Comments

Upon recognition from the Chair, a Public Comment on topics of interest may be made.

-County Administrator Coates asked for public comment, seeing none the Commissioner's opened the meeting at 9:36AM.

I. Elected Officials & Department Head Updates

To receive, as informational, departmental updates requiring Commissioner review, participation, approval, and impactful departmental and operational issues.

-HR Director May requested a non-FMLA leave of absence for an employee at CCEMS to be able to recover from surgery.

Commissioner Englund made a motion to approve the non-FMLA leave of absence, and Commissioner Clark seconded. Upon a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

II. Scheduled Items

County Administrator

Weekly Operations Report - The County Administrator will update the Commissioners on activities that have taken place since the previous meeting.

-County Administrator Coates said the NHAC Conference begins on Sunday November 10.

Coates said Merrimack County is examining the possibility of starting a County-run EMS program.

Coates said the USDA Red Barn grant will be used to furnish/equip the Red Barn.

III. <u>Old Business</u>

IV. New Business

-Finance Director Trombly said that the second Commissioners budget hearing is occurring after the Commissioners meeting ends.

The final hearing is on November 1st from 9AM-11AM at County Hall.

V. <u>Consent Agenda Items:</u>

Vote to accept the Weekly Manifests and Minutes of October 23, 2024

Commissioner Englund made a motion to accept the manifests and minutes of October 23, and Commissioner Clark seconded. Upon a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

VI. <u>Calendar</u>

Action Expected: To accept the calendar as informational and to make necessary changes/additions.

VII. General Discussion for Commissioners

VIII. Nonpublic Sessions:

RSA 91-A:3, II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

At 9:55AM Commissioner Wozmak made a motion to enter a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her. Commissioner Clark seconded. Upon a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

At 10:26AM the Commissioners voted to exit the non-public.

As a result of the non-public no decisions were made and no votes were taken.

RSA 91-A:3, II(b) The hiring of any person as a public employee.

RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the

applicant.

RSA 91-A:3, II(d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.

RSA 91-A:3, II(e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against this board or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership therein, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled

RSA 91-A:3, II(l) Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present.

IX. Adjournment

At 10:28 AM, Commissioner Englund moved to adjourn the meeting, which Commissioner Clark seconded. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes recorded by:
D. Bernstein
Director
Executive Services & Communications

Reviewed by: T. Clark Clerk, Board of Commissioners