

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

December 6, 2017

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At a regular meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of York, begun and holden at the York County Government Building in Alfred, within and for the County of York, being held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 A. D. at 4:30 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sallie Chandler
Richard R. Dutremble
Michael J. Cote
Richard Clark

County Manager Gregory Zinser was present at the meeting.

All present were invited to rise and salute the flag of the United States.

Call Meeting to Order

***** EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARDS PRIOR TO MEETING*****

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| 12-06-17 | ITEM |
| 1 | PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)
None |
| 2 | TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2017 MEETING
Commissioner Cote motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 4-0. |
| 3 | TO APPROVE TREASURER'S WARRANTS
a. Warrants dated 11-15-17 in the amount of: \$848,138.12
Commissioner Clark motioned to accept the warrant. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
b. Warrants dated 11-22-17 in the amount of: \$317,882.63
Commissioner Clark motioned to accept the warrant. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
c. Warrants dated 11-29-17 in the amount of: \$384,060.17
Commissioner Clark motioned to accept the warrant. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 4-0. |

4 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

a. Commissioner Cote to give update on MCCA Budget meeting-
Commissioner Cote informed all that Franklin County is no longer in the MCCA or the Risk Pool. This results in a loss of about \$8,000.00 to MCCA. Each county will see a small increase to MCCA of about \$180.00 a year. Several items were decreased or cut out of the budget to also save money. Commissioner Cote added that there needs to be at least \$50,000.00 in MCCA's reserves.
Commissioner Cote continued that at the annual meeting there will be training open to all department heads and elected officials. Sexual harassment training will be the first session with another training session (not yet determined) to follow.
Commissioner Cote stated that the certification process was also discussed at this meeting. He mentioned that perhaps training be offered at which County executives would obtain credits per class. He continued that he feels it is perhaps time we become more professional. He is going to run this by Board of Directors next week. Commissioner Dutremble asked if everyone will need to be certified.
Commissioner Cote replied that no law says you have to do it but it brings professionalism to County operations. It would concentrate on what goes on in the County. Commissioner Dutremble clarified that it is not a mandate then.
Commissioner Cote responded that no, this just helps people who would want to get training.

5 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

Update on courthouse construction-
The County Manager stated that we were to get our space requirements to the judicial system by November 1st. Since that date we have had no communication. He continued that he now understands that we will be hearing from the judicial system after the first of the year as an issue arose with the project that required their full attention making them unable to communicate with us.

6 NEW BUSINESS

a. Nominate Commissioner to Maine County Commissioners Association Board and Risk Pool and designate a business contact for 2018 -
Commissioner Clark motioned to nominate Commissioner Cote as York County's Board Member and our representative at the Risk Pool and to designate the County Manager as the Business Contact. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 3- 0 (with Commissioner Cote abstaining).

b. Choose Commissioner or representative to attend DOC meeting on December 11, 2017

The County Manager initiated a discussion on whether or not we should attend. He stated that this has a BOC meeting written all over it and that he envisions they will come out with a report and it will become a legislative process. If the Commissioners would like to send someone, he is fine with that, but, in lieu of that we should send a letter. Commissioner Chair Chandler agreed with the idea of the letter.
Commissioner Cote commented that the Counties pledge to work together and we were funded well and they weren't and they want to know why we got more funding. People voted and are still paying for this jail. Other counties did not do that. He added that the other issue is we have tried to keep spending down and we have not put anything back into the jail (no

maintenance). That isn't going to be in the mix. He added that he was considering attending but 10-15 minutes to speak doesn't give one much time to relay our concerns.

Sheriff King addressed the Board and stated that he wanted to wait and get direction from the Commissioners as he is going because he wants York County to be represented. He asked that if no Commissioner wants to go, could Lt. Col. Vitiello go as their representative? Sheriff King stated that a lot of smaller counties are going to pitch what they want and that he wants to be at the table when this is done. He added that he believes if we wait for the legislature, he doesn't want the dye to be cast.

Commissioner Clark agreed with the Sheriff and commented that if you are not in the room, they will cut your throat and you will be ignored.

Commissioner Clark motioned that we send the County Manager to Augusta so that we are heard. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion.

Vote 4-0.

c. Review waiver of interest request from the Town of Lebanon-
Commissioner Clark questioned when the payment was due. The County Manager replied, October 1st. Commissioner Clark asked if we send out reminder e-mails. County Manager Zinser stated that he is unsure as to whether or not that happens. Commissioner Clark stated that he is willing to waive the interest and that we should look at sending out a reminder in the future; perhaps electronically.
Commissioner Clark motioned to approve waiving the interest on the Town of Lebanon's County tax bill. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.

d. Sheriff to seek Commissioners' approval for transfer of forfeited items –
Commissioner Dutremble motioned to approve the Sheriff's request to transfer forfeited items. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.

e. Poverty abatement (heard in executive session pursuant to discussion of confidential records 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (F)
Commissioner Clark motioned to go into executive session pursuant to the statute listed above. Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
Commissioner Cote motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
Commissioner Clark motioned to grant the appeal of 12-06-17. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
Findings of Fact will be presented and approved by the Commissioners at their next meeting on December 20, 2017.

7 OLD BUSINESS

None

8 TO CONDUCT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL ISSUES PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A), ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (C), LABOR NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO 1

M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (D) AND CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E).

a. 1 M.R.S.A § 405 (6) (A) may be necessary
Commissioner Dutremble motioned to enter into executive session.
Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.

Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session.
Commissioner Dutremble seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.
No action taken.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)

None

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Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session.
Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 4-0.