

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

September 18, 2019

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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, September 18, 2019 A. D. at 4:30 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Richard R. Dutremble
Michael J. Cote
Richard Clark
Robert Andrews
Allen Sicard

County Manager Gregory Zinser was present at the meeting.

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

09-18-19 ITEM

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

None

2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 MEETING

Commissioner Cote motioned to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 4 affirmative with Commissioner Andrews abstaining as he was not present at this meeting.

3 TO APPROVE TREASURER'S WARRANTS

a. Approve treasurer's warrant dated September 4, 2019 in the amount of \$344,543.97
Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

b. Approve treasurer's warrant dated September 11, 2019 in the amount of \$433,958.61
Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

Heard after Item #6 a-

4 EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(E) CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Commissioner Cote motioned to enter into executive session pursuant to the statute stated above. Commissioner Andrews seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

No action taken.

**5 EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F)
REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS FOR POVERTY ABATEMENT #9-18-19**

Commissioner Andrews motioned to go into executive session pursuant to the above-noted statute. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

Commissioner Clark motioned to grant the abatement for poverty abatement #9-18-19 with the understanding the lawyers will prepare the Findings of Facts to be adopted at the next Commissioners meeting on October 2, 2019. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

6 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Cote gave an update on the assessment of Maine County Commissioner Association dues for 2020 as he had previously presented. He stated that the proposal has been accepted and now will go in front of the Board of Directors at the annual meeting at the beginning of 2020. He added that York County was not allowed two votes he had requested per the Board's direction.

Commissioner Sicard asked if Commissioner Cote felt there is enough interest within the counties to keep MCCA.

Commissioner Cote replied that Washington County would not take a position on and a couple of other counties also probably wouldn't support it but that we won't know until the beginning of next year. Commissioner Sicard responded then there might be another bill to make up the shortfall from counties who do not wish to stay in MCCA. Commissioner Cote agreed and added that other cuts might need to get made. He cited an example of the office manager having an office as other organizations have office managers who work from home. Commissioner Sicard suggested maybe a part-time lobbyist would aid in cutting costs.

7 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Greg Zinser reminded all that Friday is EMA's open house.

8 NEW BUSINESS

a. Review of new county garage bids- The County Manager reminded the Commissioners that he approached the Board a couple of meetings ago and then he and the Facilities Manager, Rick deRochemont held a pre-bid meeting. Facilities Manager, Rick deRochemont approached the Board and circulated copies with bid/garage information to the Commissioners.

He informed the Commissioners that three contractors attended the pre-bid meeting and that three submitted bids. PATCO is the recommended bid.

Rick read the bids as:

TPD-\$462,400

Dimatteo CMS-\$390,500 (not all items included in bid- \$10,000 add on)

PATCO- \$389,930.00

He added that these bids represent a four bay garage.

County Manager Zinser stated that the request would be that the Commissioners approve

Patco's bid in the amount of \$389,930 subject to being able to obtain a building permit and verify with Patco Construction the agreed upon items with the price given. He continued funds have been put in a reserve account for several years. At the close of 2018, we had roughly \$268,000 and close to \$500,00 in other building capital improvement projects.

Commissioner Sicard asked that since the cost of \$48,970 for an additional bay seems reasonable, wouldn't it be wise to add that at the same time?

County Manager Greg Zinser replied that there is plenty of money to construct that but that he felt the appropriate motion would be to approve the four bay and then handle the other bay separately. There may be an issue with the set back requirement.

Commissioner Sicard stated that it still makes sense to do it now. Rick deRochemont added that we might not have the room due to the fact that he just learned that the government building property is in a water shed protection area. Therefore, our building to land ratio goes from 25% to 10%. He added that he is expecting a phone call from the Alfred Code Enforcement Office to clarify. Commission Cote asked if we would then need a variance?

Commissioner Clark stated that since we might already be in excess of our permitted coverage now, he can't vote to approve this until all these aspects are covered. Facilities Manager, Rick deRochemont explained that he walked the property with the Alfred CEO and just was informed late this afternoon about the 10% value and will certainly have a conversation with him.

Commissioner Clark motioned to table the approval of the garage construction until all questions are resolved. His motion continued in that the County Manager is directed to get (the Commissioners) some answers before the next meeting.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Dutremble stated that he concurred with Commissioner Clark. Commissioner Cote commented that he remembered when we first looked at this five years ago. At that time, we were looking at other pieces of property as we didn't think we could do it here. Plan B would be to look at another site close by.

Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- b. Introduce H.R. Director Linda Corliss to recommend hiring of Marion Bedard for the position of jail receptionist clerk with a start date of September 23, 2019.

H.R. Director Linda Corliss approached the Board to present applicant, Marion Bedard's name and brief background information.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Marion Bedard as the jail receptionist with a start date of September 23, 2019. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

9 OLD BUSINESS

None

10 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), REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F)

- a. Enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) labor negotiations update

Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

Commissioner Cote motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. No action taken.

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

None

12 ADJOURN

Commissioner Clark motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Cote seconded the Motion. Vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.