OXFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2021

Meeting Convened
At the Court of Oxford County Commissioners begun and held at Paris, Maine within and for the County of Oxford at 9:00 am on Thursday, June 3, 2021 being a workshop, there were present:

Timothy Turner Chairman
Steven Merrill Commissioner
David Duguay Commissioner

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda Adopted
The agenda was adopted as written.

Minutes Approval
The following action occurred regarding sets of minutes of previous meetings:

May 18 approved

Stow Petition Continuation
The Commissioners heard closing arguments in continuation of a road petition hearing that occurred on May 21.

After deliberation, the Commissioners unanimously determined that the Kezar Lake Road (aka Lake Road) in Stow was safe and convenient at the time of their site-walk on May 21. However, the Commissioners then determined by a vote of 2-0, with Commissioner Duguay abstaining, that the road was not safe and convenient at the time the petition was filed. As a result of their findings, the Commissioners determined by a vote of 2-1, with Commissioner Duguay opposed, that the Town of Stow would be responsible for the costs of the hearing proceedings.

Department Heads
The Departments Heads met with Commissioners to discuss a variety of topics, some being unique to specific departments and other topics being of concern to several or all departments.

Sheriff's Report
The Commissioners authorized the use of funds from the drug forfeiture account to off-set costs of a new copier, a manpower study, honor guard uniforms, and the development of a community/kids program.

The Commissioners accepted the resignation of Corrections Officer Michael Jones retro to May 28, citing that he had obtained a position with the Norway Police Department and wished him luck.
The Commissioners authorized the hiring of Nathaniel Brindley as a full-time Corrections Officer with the following confirmed:

- Effective Date: June 4, 2021
- Wage Rate: $16.42/hr (entry)
- Special Conditions: none

The Commissioners extended a medical leave for Deputy Donald McCormick for up to 90 days.

Executive Assistant Abby Shanor noted that there was an error in the May 18 acknowledgment of the promotion of Corrections Officer Trenton Rand. Rand was promoted to Corporal at the 1st year rate, but he should have been promoted at the 2nd year rate of $18.94/hr. It was noted that this update will be reflected on the hard copy of the May 18 minutes.

**Lunch**
The Commissioners recessed for lunch at 12:00pm and reconvened at 12:30pm.

**Treasurer's Report**
The Commissioners reviewed bids submitted by Androscoggin Bank and Norway Savings Bank for the 2021 TAN in the amount of $2,500,000. After deliberation, the Commissioners awarded the bid to Norway Savings Bank. It was noted that the TAN would close on June 15.

**Matters Pertaining to the Unorganized Territory**
The Commissioners approved a request from Stoneham Rescue to increase their annual stipend from $7,176 per year to $8,623.50 per year for emergency services in the Unorganized Territory.

Interim County Administrator Donnie Durrah updated the Commissioners on three separate land complaints in the Unorganized Territory.

**Personnel Updates and Actions**
The Commissioners reviewed an updated draft pay scale.

**Items for Discussion and Action – Considered as Time Permits Throughout Meeting**
The Commissioners discussed the following and acted only as underlined.

1. Reviewed bids to upgrade the security door system in RCC and awarded the bid to Seacoast Security
2. Appointed Commissioner Duguay to the Central Western Maine Workforce Development Board

**Adjournment**
The Commissioners adjourned at 2:29 pm.

Timothy G. Turner, Chairman
Steven M. Merrill Commissioner
David A. Duguay Commissioner