

**OXFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

March 17, 2015

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 Tuesday, March 17, 2015 being a regular session, there were present:

Steven Merrill	Chairman
David Duguay	Commissioner
Timothy Turner	Commissioner
Scott Cole	Administrator
Judy Haas	Deputy Administrator

Various county officials, employees, media representatives, and other individuals were also present at different times throughout this session.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes Approval

The following action occurred regarding minutes of previous meetings:

- January 20 tabled to April meeting
- February 3 approved with minor corrections
- February 17 approved with minor corrections

Agenda Adopted

The meeting agenda was adopted with the addition of amendments as follows:

- add Discuss LUPC Regulatory Proposal re Mining in Unorganized Territory

A pre-amendment agenda has been attached to these minutes.

Public Comment

None

Department Heads

Department 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.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Marc Vanderwood spoke with the Commissioners concerning departmental matters and distributed a written report at that time.

A discussion regarding unrelated topics of payroll reporting and cellphone expenditures ensued.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Wayne Gallant spoke with the Commissioners concerning departmental matters and distributed a written report at that time.

It was also noted with commendation that a recent inspection conducted by the state Fire Marshall's office found the jail to be in substantial compliance w/ NFPA 101 Life Safety Code.

A brief discussion concerning amendments to the Bethel law enforcement contract followed. The matter will be revisited in April.

Bethel town manager Christine Landes was appointed to the RCC's Communications Advisory Board as a municipal representative.

Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter

The Commissioners, Administrator, Deputy Administrator, Sheriff, and Chief Deputy Hart Daley then entered executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

They returned to open session, taking no action

Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations re Airport Property

The Commissioners, Administrator, and Deputy Administrator, entered executive session to discuss negotiations concerning airport property.

They returned to open session, taking no action

Lunch Recess

The Commissioners recessed for lunch.

Re-Convene Meeting

The Commissioners re-convened their meeting.

Executive Session to Discuss Labor Negotiations (Deputies – Teamsters)

Following lunch, the Commissioners, Administrator, Deputy Administrator, and labor consultant Annalee Rosenblatt entered executive session to discuss contract negotiations with the deputies, represented by Teamsters.

They returned to open session, taking no action

Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations re Labor Agreement (Dispatch Supervisors - AFSCME)

The Commissioners, Administrator, Deputy Administrator, and labor consultant Annalee Rosenblatt entered executive session to discuss contract negotiations with dispatch supervisors, represented by AFSCME.

They returned to open session, and took no action regarding this matter

Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations re Labor Agreement (Dispatchers - AFSCME)

The Commissioners, Administrator, Deputy Administrator, and labor consultant Annalee Rosenblatt entered executive session to discuss contract negotiations with the dispatchers, represented by AFSCME.

They returned to open session, and took no action regarding this matter.

Items for Discussion and Action

Items listed under this agenda heading were discussed at various times throughout the meeting. Unless noted here, no formal action occurred.

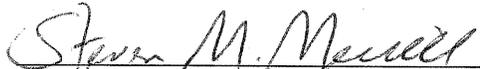
- 1. Update from Maine County Commissioners Association
 - o Mar 11 Meeting
 - o Legislative Matters **noted**
- 2. Review Letter to County's Legislative Delegation re Jails **discussed, not yet complete**
- 3. Review 2014 Health Claims Experience Report from MMEHT **noted**
- 4. Records Officer Designation (Deeds East/West) – Maine State Archives **noted**
- 5. Rough Outline of Job Description – Commissioners Clerk **noted**
- 6. Confirm May Date to Meet in Albany re Upcoming UT Roadwork **date unknown**
- 7. Administrator Task List **noted**
- 8. Other Items as Needed

Added

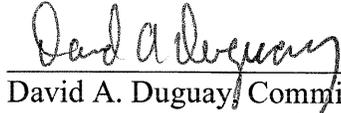
Discuss LUPC Regulatory Proposal re Mining in Unorganized Territory **proposal noted**

Adjournment

The Commissioners adjourned at 5:11 PM.



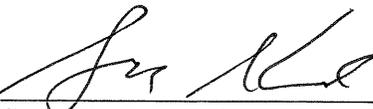
Steven M. Merrill, Chairman



David A. Duguay, Commissioner



Timothy G. Turner, Commissioner



Scott G. Cole, Administrator

Notes:

- 1) *These minutes are intended to be a brief description of meeting actions and to provide, in a general sense only, an account of what was discussed.*
- 2) *Unless otherwise noted, all votes taken by the Commissioners were unanimous.*