

MINUTES

**AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING –WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021 – 1:00 P.M. –
SINCLAIR SENIOR CENTER - SINCLAIR**

PRESENT

Paul J. Adams, Chairperson, County Commissioners
Norman L. Fournier, County Commissioner
Paul J. Underwood, County Commissioner
Ryan D. Pelletier
Paul Bernier, Public Works Director
Shawn Gillen, Sheriff
Darren Woods, EMA Director
John Gibson, EMA Deputy Director

Before the meeting took place two trustees were elected to the Sinclair Sanitary District.

A public hearing for approval of a liquor license for Neal Martin, DBA Bear Den Restaurant and Pub was called to order at 1:18 p.m. There were no adverse comments made.

ART. 1. Chair Paul J. Adams called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

ART. 2. Public Comment Period.

John Rasmussen addressed the County Commissioners regarding matters in County law enforcement.

ART. 3. Approval of agenda.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the agenda with the addition of 18. A) Septic Permit, Cary.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 4. MOTION:

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the minutes of September 15, 2021 County Commissioners' meeting.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 5. The County Commissioners approved and signed the following:

A) Attendance Record.

- B) Bills and Warrants.
- C) Liquor License Bear Den Family Restaurant and Pub.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul L. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve a liquor license for Neal Martin, DBA Bear Den Family Restaurant and Pub.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 6. Jason Parent, Executive Director, ACAP presented 7 public officials for consideration to designate to the ACAP Board of Directors.

MOTION:

Motion by Norman L. Fournier and seconded by Paul J. Underwood to approve Sheriff Shawn Gillen, Senator Troy Jackson, David Keaton of Maine Administrators of Career and Technical Education, Dan MacDonald, RSU 39 Adult Education Director, Nancy Troeger, Town Manager Van Buren, Gary Sanfacon, Juvenile Community Corrections Officer, and Senator Harold Stewart III as public designees to the ACAP Board of Directors.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 7. **MOTION:**

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve participation in the HGAC Buy program to purchase a new firetruck as presented by EMA Director Darren Woods and EMA Deputy Director John Gibson.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 8. **MOTION:**

Motion by Norman L. Fournier and seconded by Paul J. Underwood to approve the recommendation of EMA Director Darren Woods to hire Will Pols and Rachel Johnson of Fort Kent for North Lakes Fire paid volunteer firefighters.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 9. Two bids were received on the subcompact tractor. Bryan Jandreau recommended accepting the highest bid of \$4021.00 by Dan Bouchard.

MOTION:

Motion by Norman L. Fournier and seconded by Paul J. Underwood to approve the recommendation of Facilities and IT Director Bryan Jandreau and award the subcompact tractor bid to Dan Bouchard for \$4,021.00.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 10. Christina Theriault, Human Resources Director recommended hiring Angela Stiles for the position of Deputy Registrar of Probate.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve hiring Angela Stiles for the position of Deputy Registrar of Deeds.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 11. **MOTION:**

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the request from Finance Director Dana Gendreau to transfer \$12,250.00 from the Jail reserve to the Jail fund.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART.12. The County salary structure was presented by Human Resource Director Christina Theriault for approval.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the 2022 County Salary structure as presented.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 13 **MOTION:**

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the request of Sheriff Shawn Gillen to sponsor Gary McGuire as an agent with MDEA and approval of \$11,727.00 in forfeited assets.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 14. County Administrator Ryan Pelletier reported that there were no bids received on the 2010 Chevrolet Impala surplus vehicle.

- ART. 15. There are a sizeable number of recipients from Aroostook County for the Spirit of America awards. The County Commissioners recommended awarding a few at a time at County Commissioners' monthly meetings.

- ART. 16. **MOTION:**

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the recommendation of the County Administrator to reapportion the finance committee areas as presented with the only change being that Monticello will stay in area 3.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 17. County Commissioner Norman L. Fournier provided an overview of the recent MCCA and Risk Pool Board meetings and provided a legislative update.

ART. 18. Other Business.

- A) Paul Bernier, Community Service Director requested approval to relicense the septage land spreading and storage facility located at 874 Jackins Settlement Road in Cary, Maine

MOTION:

Motion by Paul J. Underwood and seconded by Norman L. Fournier to approve the recommendation of the Community Services director and have the County Administrator sign the approval form.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 19. **MOTION:**

Motion by Norman L. Fournier and seconded by Paul J. Underwood to adjourn the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

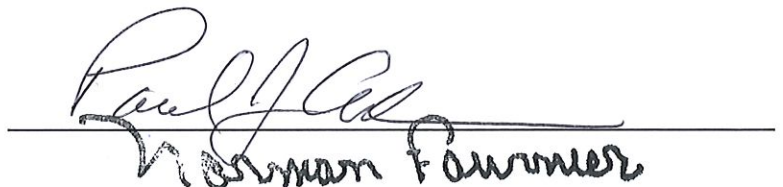
VOTE:

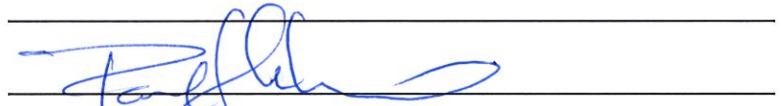
Motion voted on and passed.

ATTEST: A True Copy
of Commissioners' Meeting



Ryan D. Pelletier
County Administrator



Norman Fournier

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DATE: October 20, 2021