

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Thursday, May 28th, 12:00 PM
Administrative Hearing Room, Caribou Courthouse

Present:

Paul J. Underwood, County Commissioner
William T. Dobbins, County Commissioner
Daniel V. Deveau, County Commissioner
Justin T. Tibbetts, County Administrator
Dana Gendreau, Finance Director
Beth Hummel, HR Director
Roy Guidry, Facilities Director
Peter Johnson, Sheriff
Shawn Gillen, Deputy Sheriff
Craig Clossey, Jail Administrator-Zoom
Todd Collins, District Attorney
Steve Pelletier, ARPA Administrator
Tammy Pelletier, Operations Assistant
Cameron Levasseur, Bangor Daily News
Kari Triplett, WAGM

ART. 1. Commissioner Paul Underwood called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm.

ART. 2. Ms. Dana Gendreau presented for consideration the jail design contract with SMRT Inc. The agreement is an architectural/pre-referendum contract and has been fully reviewed by the County's legal counsel. It will include the conceptual design of up to 5 sites within Aroostook County, to be determined, and a final jail design. SMRT's team has been assigned. A kick-off date will be determined after the agreement is signed and returned.

MOTION:

A motion was made by William Dobbins, seconded by Daniel Deveau to approve the jail design contract with SMRT, Inc.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 3. Ms. Dana Gendreau provided an update on the County employee jail committee. No formal committee has been formed. It will include key decision makers such as Sheriff Peter Johnson, Chief Deputy Shawn Gillen, Jail Administrator Craig Clossey, Sgt. Shanna Duffy, County Administrator Justin Tibbetts, Finance Director Dana Gendreau, Facilities Director Roy Guidry, and Maintenance Supervisor Christopher Tarr. There is still some discussion on the need to include an IT advisor.

MOTION:

A motion was made by William Dobbins, seconded by Daniel Deveau to approve the County employee jail committee as outlined by Ms. Dana Gendreau.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 4. Other Jail Business

Commissioner Dobbins inquired about the status of the Jail Steering committee. Ms. Gendreau confirmed that the applicants approved at the Commissioners'

meeting on May 20th have been notified and that no other applicants have expressed interest in the open spots for community members in District 1 and District 2.

Ms. Dana Gendreau provided a brief explanation of the 2 jail committees. The internal County employee committee will be the day-to-day team working with SMRT and will task the Jail Steering Committee as needed. This could include community outreach and education, among other things. After the initial kick-off meeting with SMRT, the County will have a better idea on what action to take and how to move forward with the ad-hoc Jail Steering committee.

ART. 21. Adjournment.

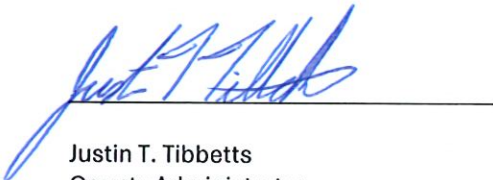
MOTION:

A motion was made by William Dobbins, seconded by Daniel Deveau to adjourn the meeting at 12:12 pm.

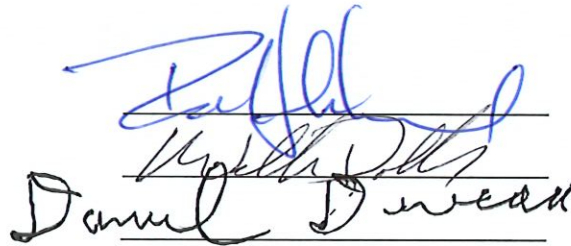
VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ATTEST: A True Copy
of Commissioners' Meeting



Justin T. Tibbetts
County Administrator



William Dobbins
Daniel Deveau

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DATE: June 17, 2026