

STATE OF MAINE

Lincoln, ss.

May Term, 2019

August 20, 2019

Present: William B. Blodgett, Chairman
Mary R. Trescot
Hamilton W. Meserve

Commissioner Blodgett opened the meeting by leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Meserve moved to approve minutes from the August 6, 2019 meeting; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

From the Finance Department, County Treasurer, Richard Newell, presented for approval:

Warrant #676 \$273,417.64

Warrant #677 \$ 59,812.46.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Trescot; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved. All Commissioners signed.

Bookkeeper, Pam Perry, brought before the Board for approval:

Payroll Warrant #2019-17 \$167,741.50.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved. All Commissioners signed.

Sheriff Todd Brackett and Chief Deputy, Rand Maker, reported a current Jail count of 20 Lincoln County inmates being held at Two Bridges Regional Jail (TBRJ); Sagadahoc holds 27 at TBRJ; Federal 2; Oxford 35; Penobscot 35; Kennebec 2, for a total of 121. An additional 22 Lincoln County inmates are being diverted by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office; 21 are diverted by Maine Pretrial; and 129 are being diverted by the Addiction Resource Center.

A request was made for out-of-state travel for Detective Scott Hayden. The Mobile Device Investigation Educational Conference will be held September 23 – 29, 2019 at the National Computer Forensic Institute in Hoover, Alabama. The cost will be reimbursed, with the exception of Detective Hayden's wage. Commissioner Trescot moved to approve; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Request was made to hire former deputy, Alonzo Connor, as a part-time Reserve Deputy. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Part-time Reserve Deputy, Dwight Fowles, has submitted his resignation, effective August 12, 2019. Motion to accept the resignation by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Request was made to apply for a Byrne Funds Grant, in the amount of \$10,728.00 which would be used for Evidence Collection Equipment. The application is due Friday, August 23, 2019. Motion to approve by Commissioner Trescot; second by Commissioner Meserve; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Sheriff Brackett re-introduced newly re-hired Patrol Officer, Dan Sceviour. Commissioners welcomed Officer Sceviour back to Lincoln County.

Request was made to advertise for part-time Animal Control Officers. Commissioner Meserve moved to approve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

An out of state travel request was made for Chief Rand Maker and Lt. Brendan Kane, to Aurora, Colorado for an Alert Conference Response to Violent Events. Sheriff Brackett feels that this is excellent training for these two officers, who would bring back valuable information to the Sheriff's Department. The event will be held September 29 – October 2, 2019. There would be a five-day stay, plus airfare and rooms, for approximately \$1,600.00 per person. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

County Administrator, Carrie Kipfer, requested approval for a change to the County Planner Job Description, which would change the position to one of Exempt, rather than non-exempt as it currently reads. This would be better suited to her responsibilities. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Administrator Kipfer updated the Board about the plans for the Maine 200 Celebration planned for 2020. There was a Booklet created in 1960 and the Historical Society would like to have one similar. Carrie Kipfer has volunteered Lincoln County for this project, as she would like Lincoln County to be involved. Commissioner Blodgett wondered if the Pownalborough Courthouse and Colonial Pemaquid would be willing to plant a pine tree for the celebration.

In reference to a Tax Abatement Hearing request received August 9, 2019, Administrator Kipfer has spoken to an attorney.

An invitation has been received to attend a Recycling Forum at Round Top in Damariscotta, hosted by Michael Uhl and Mark Ward. Recycling Supervisor, Tim Richardson, and Commissioner Mary Trescot will be attending the event which will be held on Thursday, August 22 at 6:00 p.m. A grant was received to fund the forum.

Tim Richardson and Administrator Kipfer will be going to Pittston to discuss Recycling.

At 9:52 a.m., Commissioner Meserve moved to enter into executive session to discuss a legal matter with Administrator Kipfer, according to 1 MRSA 405 6E; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Out of executive session at 11:00 a.m., there were no votes taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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There being no further business, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on the third day of September A.D. 2019.

ATTEST: _____
Administrative Assistant