

STATE OF MAINE

At a meeting of the County Commissioners, begun and holden in Wiscasset, within and for the County of Lincoln, on the sixteenth day of March 2021, by adjournment from the second day of March 2021.

Present: William B. Blodgett, Chair
Hamilton W. Meserve (Participated by phone)
Mary Trescot

In response to the Executive Order from the Governor's Office, the meeting was held at the Lincoln County Planning Office to maintain the social distancing requirements of the individuals participating. The meeting agenda reflects this change in protocol. One member of the press participated, in addition, several County departments were present.

Commissioner Meserve moved to approve minutes from the March 2, 2021 meeting; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3 – 0 vote approved.

Finance Director Michelle Richardson presented for approval:

Warrant #12 \$610,269.40

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

One (1) Payroll Warrant was presented for approval:

Payroll Warrant #2021-6 \$183,511.87

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

Sheriff Todd Brackett reported a current Jail count at Two Bridges Regional Jail (TBRJ): 14 Lincoln County inmates; Sagadahoc County holds 19 inmates at TBRJ; Federal 3; Oxford 27; Penobscot 2, York 3 for a total of 68.

Sale of surplus property through an online auction house, 2015 Explorer, 2014 Taurus, 2014 Charger. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

Contract with Maine Department of Public Safety for providing a LCSO employee to serve as a cadre for the upcoming term at the Police Academy, \$15,000.00 to cover our cost. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

Acceptance of forfeited funds from the State of Maine in the amount of \$670.50. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

Authorization of payment to Coastal Electronics for vehicle equipment and installation \$5,544.40. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

Authorization to receive bids for 3 replacement vehicles that are included in the 2021 budget. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

Emergency Management Director Casey Stevens presented a request to issue an RFP for the Rescue Task Force Equipment. The equipment will consist of 30 helmets and 30 body armor vest. Homeland Security funds will be used to cover the cost of roughly \$30,000 - \$40,000. Motion to approve by Commissioner Meserve; second by Commissioner Trescot 3 – 0 vote approved.

County Administrator, Carrie Kipfer presented the COVID relief funding update. The estimated amount of funding for Lincoln County is \$6,776,899.00. We are currently waiting on guidance on how the funds can be used.

There was an additional executive session with Sheriff Brackett, Chief Maker, Michelle Richardson, and Carrie Kipfer to discuss personnel. Out of session at 10:30 a.m., no votes taken.

At 10:55 a.m., Commissioner Blodgett made a motion to enter executive session with Administrator Carrie Kipfer, Tom Nelson, Jim Beaulieu, MEU, Josiah Winchenbach and an employee to discuss a personnel matter according to 1 MRSA 405 (6) (A); second by Commissioner Meserve; 3-0 vote approved.

Out of executive session at 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Meserve made a motion to grant a grievance from the Lincoln County Communication Association and instructed Carrie Kipfer to draft a letter to that effect for the chairman's signature; second by Commissioner Trescot; 3-0 vote approved.

There being no further business, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on the 6th day of April A.D. 2021.

ATTEST: 
Administrative Assistant