Belknap County Delegation Minutes March 28, 2011 at 6:00 PM

Chair Millham called the Belknap County Delegation meeting to order at 6:00 PM on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH and started with the pledge of allegiance followed by introductions.

In Attendance: Reps. Accornero, Greemore, Kingsbury, Worsman, Pilliod, St. Cyr, Millham Russell, Tilton, Flanders, Fields, Swinford, Bolster, Luther, Comtois, Malone.

Absent: Reps. Simpson and Tobin.

Also present: Gunstock Commissioners and Gunstock General Manager and Commissioner Nedeau.

Chair Millham explained that the public hearing took place last week on 3/21/11 and that the vote will be taken tonight.

Vote on Gunstock Bond Request: M/Pilliod made the motion as follows:

Resolved: to authorize the Belknap County Treasurer, on the concurrence of not less than four members of the Gunstock Area Commission, to issue serial notes or bonds in the name of Belknap County Gunstock Area Commission in the amount of One million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000), the proceeds used for the planning, acquisition and construction of summer attractions as set forth in the document entitled "Capital Project Proposal — Development of Summer Attractions at Gunstock Mountain Resort" dated March 21, 2011. Said borrowing shall mature not more than 10 years from the date of issue. Any notes or bonds issued pursuant thereto shall be in accordance with New Hampshire laws of 1959 Chapter 399:15 as amended and the form, details and particulars of said notes or bonds other than the maturity thereof shall be determined by the Gunstock Area Commission. The full faith and credit of the County of Belknap, New Hampshire shall be pledged to the payment of the obligations issued pursuant hereto. Said notes or bonds shall be repaid from the operating receipts of Gunstock, and shall contain and express that fees, fares, and tolls will be collected until the maturity thereof in acceptance with provisions of Chapter 399 of the laws of 1959 as amended. S/Fields. Madam Chair opened for discussion.

Rep. Accornero spoke that at the last meeting, public had legitimate concerns about the repayment. But after meeting with GM Goddard, he feels complete comfortable with approving.

Rep. Worsman also spoke to GM Goddard in detail and supports this. She believes that Belknap County's' economy will benefit greatly from it. Madam chair asked for further comment. There was none.

<u>Vote:</u> Madam Chair asked if members were ready for the vote. Roll call (at 6:08 PM) as follows: 15 yeses – 1 opposed. (Rep. Kingsbury was only opposed.) **Motion carries.**

Budget discussions: Discussions ensued amongst delegates about the budget process and how to have better control moving forward. In addition, delegates spoke about the subcommittee review process of the budget that takes place. A question was asked of the Chair if a meeting could take place between the County Commissioners and the delegation for an open dialogue relative to the day to day business and stimulus projects.

<u>Adjourn:</u> With no further business to discuss, motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Respectfully submitted,

Angela A. Bovill, Administrative Assistant