



Delegation Meeting Minutes February 18, 2014

Chair Worsman announced that she was waiting for a quorum to start the meeting that is scheduled for 5pm. We have all been at the State House today doing the people's business. She is requesting patience while representatives travel from Concord in the snow storm. She asked for a county telephone to conference call in Rep. Comtois to the meeting who is tending to a roof emergency. Chair called the Belknap County Delegation meeting to order at 5:44 PM on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH and recited the pledge of allegiance.

In Attendance: Representatives Arsenault, Burchell, DiMartino, Flanders, Greemore, Gulick Huot, Luther, Raymond, Sylvia, Tilton, Vadney, Worsman. Rep. Comtois was available via telephone.

Absent: Representative Cormier, Fields, Fink and Holmes.

Also present: Commissioners Thomas and Nedeau, County Administrator Debra Shackett and Finance Director Glen Waring.

Chair appreciated all in attendance in the midst of a terrible snow storm. It is her recommendation to recess the meeting for today and to meet tomorrow at lunch at the State house in Concord in room #212. Rep. DiMartino stated that they should have the meeting now as did Rep. Gulick. There is a quorum present. Rep. Burchell said he felt discussions were ok, but no votes. Rep. Arsenault also felt that there was a majority quorum present (only 4 missing), why would they not have the meeting now.

Motion to pass budget: M/Arsenault, S/DiMartino to pass the Commissioners recommended budget as it was presented in December. Discussions ensued. Roll call vote: 7 – Y (Arsenault, DiMartino, Flanders, Gulick, Huot, Luther, Raymond), 7 – N (Burchell, Comtois, Greemore, Sylvia, Tilton, Vadney, Worsman). **Motion fails.**

Chair Worsman then requested to recess to a time when all members are present. Rep. Arsenault stated that the meeting should have been canceled due to the weather. Rep. Huot indicated that since there are no bylaws for the County Convention or rules of order – how could they go about a recess? This is a problem. Chair Worsman indicated that the reason for a recess is the budget and as a result of everyone not being present. Chair consulted 91: A in the absence of bylaws and according to the attorney generals memo included in 91: A: 2 regarding the recessing of a public zoning meeting until a later date. Chair asked if the members wanted to have an effect to alter spending by waiting until after 25% of the budget is spent. (2 months have already gone by)

M/Worsman, S/Greemore to recess the meeting until 02/24/14 at 5:00 PM. Roll call vote: 7 –Y (Burchell, Comtois, Greemore, Sylvia, Tilton, Vadney, Worsman). 7 – N - (Arsenault, DiMartino, Flanders, Gulick, Huot, Luther, Raymond). **Motion fails.**

Adjourn: M/Vadney, S/Huot of adjourn at 6:35 pm. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Respectfully submitted,

Angela A. Bovill, Administrative Assistant

A true record Attest:

Robert Greemore, Acting Clerk