



**Delegation Meeting Minutes**  
**March 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm**

Chair Herb Vadney called the Belknap County Delegation meeting to order at 6:01 pm on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH. Representative Aldrich led the pledge of allegiance.

In Attendance: Representatives Abear, Aldrich, Comtois, Fields, Flanders, Howard, Huot, Lang, Plumer, Silber, Vadney and Varney.

Absent: Representative Fisher, Fraser, Maloney, Spanos, Sylvia and Tilton.

**2017 Budget:**

Rep Abear reviewed the attached revenue sheet that he presented.

There was discussion on how the revenues can increase when positions have been cut in the Sheriff department.

M/Lang Add under functional area 14211, Sheriff's department, a total of \$126,736 representing 1 deputy, 1 dispatcher, overtime, and special ops fees. Add under functional area 14230, Corrections, \$95,942, Representing 2 correctional officers, and increases in dietary. Add under functional area 14660, Outside Agencies, \$96,900, representing a 5% reduction over 2016 budgeted, add under functional area 25193, NH – Activities, \$44,562 representing 1 full-time activities position. Add \$16,000 under functional area 16619 Belknap Conservation District - For a total add to the budget of \$380,140, over Friday's previously voted amount. Additionally I move we increase the use of fund balance by same amount, still maintaining the same tax status of the previously moved budget. S/Fields.

Rep Abear called roll: Abear-N, Aldrich-N, Comtois-N, Fields-Y, Flanders-Y, Howard-N, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-N, Vadney-N and Varney-N. 5-7. **Motion failed.**

M/Howard, S/Comtois to accept the breakdown of revenues.

The Commissioners questioned the added revenue from HB413 and whether it should be recorded as revenue or taken from the expense side.

The Commissioners questioned the amount of revenue to be collected from Gunstock as the draft MOU that was handed out for review includes only \$100,000, not \$175,000.

The chair asked for a roll call vote on the motion.

Rep Abear called roll: Abear-Y, Aldrich-Y, Comtois-Y, Fields-N, Flanders-N, Howard-Y, Huot-N, Lange-N, Plumer-Y, Silber-Y, Vadney-Y and Varney-Y. 8-4. **Motion passed.**

M/Plumer to reconsider appropriation and add \$100,000 to the Corrections and Sheriff Departments and take the money from the fund balance.

Rep Vadney stated we just voted on the final budget.

Rep Lang asked the Chairman why the votes taken previously were deemed to be provisional and this vote would not be the same. No response from the Chairman. Rep Plumer withdrew his motion.

**Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jamie Ellsworth', written over a printed name and title.

Jamie Ellsworth  
Administrative Assistant