



Delegation Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2018 at 10:00 am

Chair Vadney called the Belknap County Delegation meeting to order at 10:19 am on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH. Representative Aldrich led the pledge of allegiance.

In Attendance: Representatives Abear, Aldrich, Fields, Huot, Lang, Plumer, Silber, Spagnuolo, Spanos, St. Clair (@ 10:25am), Sylvia, Tilton (via phone) and Vadney

Absent: Representative Comtois, Fraser, Howard and Varney.

Rep Tilton participating via phone in a room by himself. Not able to attend due to a medical appointment.

Rep Abear called roll to allow the participation of Rep Tilton via phone: Abear-Y, Aldrich-Y, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-Y, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, Sylvia-Y, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. Unanimous. Motion passed.

Minutes: M/Lang to approve the minutes, S/Aldrich. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-Y, Aldrich-Y, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-Y, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, Sylvia-Y, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. Motion passed. Unanimous. Motion passed.

Supplemental Appropriation: The Representatives spoke of their reasons to either support or not support returning the money. Commissioner Meyers and Mr. Lipman from DHHS were present to answer questions.

Several members of the public weighted in on the issue.

Karen Gallagher, Sanbornton read her letter for reasons to not support sending the money back.

Rep Vadney read excerpts of a letter received from Mary K James.

Madeline spoke out in support of sending the money back to support the IDNs.

M/Huot the convention make a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,192,015 for the purpose of reimbursing the State of NH in connection with ProShare, S/Lang.

Commissioner Meyers asked that the motion be amended to not state reimbursement of ProShare and state for purposes of funding the IDN.

M/Huot amend his current motion to, Supplemental appropriation in the amount \$1,192,015 for the purpose of funding the IDN administered by HHS, S/Lang.

M/Sylvia amend current motion to take money from taxation not fund balance. Rep Abear asked if there is enough in fund balance. Commissioner DeVoy stated there is. S/Aldrich.

Rep Sylvia stated the Commissioners have a fund balance policy. Rep Lang asked if the motion is to tax the tax payers again. Rep Sylvia stated that was correct.

Rep Silber moved the question to cut off debate. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-Y, Aldrich-Y, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-Y, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, Sylvia-Y, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. Unanimous. Motion passed.

Rep Sylvia repeated his motion: amend current motion to take money from taxation not fund balance. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-N, Aldrich-Y, Fields-N, Huot-N, Lang-N, Plumer-N, Silber-N, Spagnuolo-N, Spanos-N, St. Clair-N, Sylvia-Y, Tilton-N and Vadney-Y. 3-10 Motion failed.

M/Huot supplemental appropriation for \$1,192,015 for the purpose of funding the IDN as administered by NH DHHS, S/Lang. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-N, Aldrich-N, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-N, Silber-N, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, St. Clair-Y, Sylvia-N, Tilton-Y and Vadney-N. 7-6 Motion passed.

Commissioner Waring stated there needs to be an offsetting revenue.

M/Lang to increase the revenues in the nursing home to match the previously voted on appropriation, S/Fields. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-N, Aldrich-N, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-N, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, St. Clair-Y, Sylvia-N, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. 9-4 Motion passed.

Resolution for transfer authority: M/Silber to adopt Rep Sylvia's resolution, S/Aldrich.

Rep Sylvia read the resolution: Whereas: The Belknap County Delegation has previously set a limit upon budgetary transfers; and

Whereas: Said transfer policy has not been altered or abolished; and

Whereas: Previous annual restatements of the policy may have allowed a question of ambiguity; and

Whereas: The County will operate with more tranquility with a clear policy known to all; and

Whereas: RSA 24:14 provides "The county convention may require that the county commissioners obtain written authority from the executive committee before transferring any appropriation or part thereof under RSA 24:15".

Be it resolved; the Belknap County Delegation in accord with RSA 24:14 does hereby require that the county commissioners obtain written authority to make transfers between departments totaling \$1,000 or more from any department; the requested transfer shall comport with RSA 24:15; this policy shall remain in place until altered by vote of the Delegation.

Rep Lang stated he made a motion in 2017 and it was approved and this would be a change in policy.

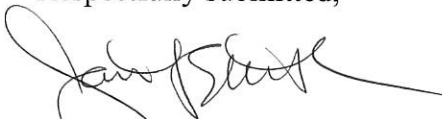
Commissioner DeVoy stated it is the 4th quarter and asked they be allowed to continue to operate the way they have been.

Rep St. Clair called the question. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-Y, Aldrich-N, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-Y, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, St. Clair-Y, Sylvia-N, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. 11-2 Motion passed.

M/Silber to adopt Rep Sylvia's resolution previously stated, S/Aldrich. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-N, Aldrich-N, Fields-N, Huot-N, Lang-N, Plumer-N, Silber-Y, Spagnuolo-N, Spanos-N, St. Clair-N, Sylvia-Y, Tilton-N and Vadney-N. 2-11 Motion failed.

Adjourn: M/Fields to adjourn at 11:50 am, S/Huot. Rep Abear called roll: Abear-Y, Aldrich-Y, Fields-Y, Huot-Y, Lang-Y, Plumer-Y, Silber-N, Spagnuolo-Y, Spanos-Y, St. Clair-Y, Sylvia-N, Tilton-Y and Vadney-Y. 11-2 Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,



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