## Belknap County Commissioners Meeting of April 8, 2008 Commissioners Conference Room

Commissioner Daigneault called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 9:00 AM on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH.

Members present: Commissioner Philip Daigneault, Chairman; Commissioner Christopher Boothby, Vice Chairman and Commissioner Richard Long, Clerk.

Attendees: Arthur Cook (as power of Attorney for Nancy E. Cook), Kinney O'Rourke, John Koziol and Angela Bovill.

## **Minutes of the Meeting**

## **Commissioner Daigneault and Commissioner Boothby**

Commissioners have met today for non-public meeting under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) & (c) for a personnel matter to be discussed regarding the employment of Mrs. Nancy E. Cook. Commissioners asked Arthur if he had a document with signature that verifies the fact that he is the power of Attorney for said employee Nancy E. Cook. Document was provided and verified.

Commissioner Boothby then made the motion to enter into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II, (a) & (c). The Commissioners must enter into a non-public session to discuss a personnel matter as set forth under RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) and (c). Commissioner Long seconded the motion. Commissioner Daigneault polled the board. Unanimous.

Motion carries. The Board went into non-public session at 9:01 AM and Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Koziol were asked to leave the room.

Commissioners concluded their non-public session and were back in a public meeting by a unanimous vote at 9:45 AM. Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Koziol were allowed back in the room.

Commissioner Boothby then made the motion under RSA 91-A: 3 paragraph III, to seal the minutes from the non-public session because the divulgence of information would likely adversely affect the reputation of the person subject to the personnel action. Commissioner Long seconded. Commissioner Daigneault polled the board. Unanimous. **Motion carries.** 

Commissioner Boothby then made the motion to terminate the employment of Nancy E. Cook, pursuant to RSA 28:10-a and pursuant to an investigation of the Attorney Generals Office. Commissioner Long seconded. Commissioner Daigneault polled the board. Unanimous. **Motion carries.** 

Commissioners asked the members of the public if they had any questions.

The following questions were asked:

- 1. Who was present in non-public meeting (Arthur Cook)
- 2. Who will be taking care of the operations of the duties of the CA & FO (Commissioners as an entity, they will advertise to hire for the position)
- 3. Is the County audit complete (No)
- 4. Do the Commissioners know when it will be complete (No)
- 5. Could they comment on Nancy Cook (No they can not as it is a personnel and legal matter)
- 6. When was Mrs. Cook put on unpaid leave (3/27/2008)
- 7. What was Mrs. Cook's date of hire (03/02/1998)
- 8. What was Mrs. Cook's annual salary (\$93,000 per year)

Commissioners also wanted to add that at this difficult time, they would like to recognize the Attorney Generals Office for their role in this process and for their professionalism.

With no further questions or comments from the public, Commissioner Boothby seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carries.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM

vice Chair