

BELKNAP COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Minutes Belknap County Commissioners Meeting February 19, 2009

Commissioner Philpot called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 4:00 PM on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH and started with the pledge of allegiance.

In Attendance: Vice Chairman Edward Philpot Jr., Clerk Richard Long, and Debra Shackett, County Administrator. Chairman Christopher Boothby was on a scheduled vacation.

- 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN's): Commissioner Philpot indicated that the purpose of today's meeting is to instruct the County Treasurer per RSA 29:8, to seek authorization from the Executive Committee of the County Convention to borrow up to \$14 million dollars in anticipation of taxes for 2009. M/Long, S/Philpot. Commissioner Philpot asked if there was any discussion and asked for any public comment. There was none. Unanimous. Motion carries. Administrator Shackett told the Commissioners that they will be borrowing \$7.5 million at this time. This Tax Anticipation Note will be bid out competitively. There is an Executive Committee meeting on Monday, March 2, 2009 at 4:00 PM.
- 2. Billing for Taxes: Commissioners would like Ms. Shackett to look into the possibility of billing the towns and city twice a year instead of once to cut down on the borrowing. Ms. Shackett will look into this. Commissioner also wanted Ms. Shackett to verify whether they can or cannot have a line of credit. Ms. Shackett told the Commissioners that we cannot at this time because the banks are not offering that to municipalities at this time.
- **3.** *Public thank you:* Commissioner Philpot read aloud a thank you note that the Commissioners received from David and Freda Osman. Freda is the daughter of Ed Chertok. They thanked the Commissioners for preserving the gavels in Mr. Chertok's honor that they had given to the board. Commissioners are having the Maintenance Director build a case for display in the Commissioner's office.
- **4. Citizen's council:** Commissioner Philpot updated Commissioner Long about the last meeting and the discussions that took place regarding Citizen's council. Commissioner Long had seen a few newspaper articles and wanted some clarification on what took place.
- 5. Adjourn: M/Long, S/Philpot to adjourn at 4:16 PM. Unanimous. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,	
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Administrative Assistant	