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## Commissioners Meeting Minutes February 8, 2012

Commissioner Philpot called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 5:30 PM on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH and started with the pledge of allegiance.

In Attendance: Commissioners Edward D. Philpot Jr., John H. Thomas, Stephen H. Nedeau and County Administrator, Debra Shackett.

**Ratify motion regarding CDBG:** Commissioner Philpot read aloud the attached memo to Administrator Shackett from AA Bovill dated 2/6/12 regarding ratification of a motion done via phone poll for a CDBG for CAP (Community Action Program). M/Thomas, S/Nedeau to ratify the motion as stated. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

**Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant:** Sheriff Wiggin requested authorization to seek reimbursement for expenses incurred during the World Run in July 2011. M/Nedeau, S/Thomas to authorize the Sheriff to seek and accept reimbursement for the World Run as explained. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

**Laconia Police Department Byrne/JAG grant:** Laconia PD has been awarded a grant and designated the county as a sub grantee. The Sheriff requested authorization to accept \$3,000 to purchase a mobile data terminal. M/ Thomas, S/Nedeau to authorize the Sheriff to accept \$3,000 for the county's portion of the LPD Byrne/JAG as outlined. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

**Approval of minutes:** M/Thomas, S/Nedeau at approve the 01/25/12 minutes. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

**Correspondence:** Commissioner Philpot read and responded to an email from Mr. Tom Tardif.

**CDBG for Lakes Region Community College on behalf of BCEDC:** Carmen Lorentz, Executive Director of Economic Development requested the County apply for a CDBG on behalf of the Lakes Region Community College for a nursing program. The Commissioners agreed. A public hearing will be scheduled.

**Courthouse HVAC Project:** Ms. Shackett recommended that the Board reject all three bids received. Additionally, that they consider a motion to waive the county's competitive purchasing process due to timing efficiencies as well as budgetary limitations. This would allow the county to enter into a project management agreement with Bauen Construction. M/ Thomas, S/Nedeau to reject all three bids received. Unanimous. **Motion carries.** M/Thomas to waive the competitive bidding process and directly hire Bauen Construction to perform the work. S/Nedeau. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

**Administrative Report:** Moody's has reviewed the county's credit rating. They did not remove the negative outlook. Moody's will review again in 2 years. Commissioners would like Administrator Shackett to mail the letter from Moody's investments to all the delegation members as an FYI. The County Nursing home received a perfect survey again this year making it two years in a row now!!!

**Commissioners Committee reports:** Commissioner Thomas reported that Economic Development has finalized their strategic planning report and will unveil it at their annual meeting on 3/29/12. Commissioner Nedeau said he will attend the 2/16/12 Airport Authority meeting.

**Public comment:** Commissioner Philpot asked for public comment. Mr. Tom Tardif made several comments regarding grants and other issues. He left a copy of his comments (attached).

**Adjourn:** With no further business to come before the board, M/Nedeau, S/Thomas to adjourn at 6:45 PM. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Respectfully submitted,

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