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Commissioners Meeting Minutes July 25, 2012

Commissioner Philpot called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 7:30 AM 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.

Cable Contract at the Nursing Home: Nursing Home Administrator Courtney Marshall brought a 5 year contract (bulk programming/license agreement) to the Commissioners for cable services in the Nursing Home. Administrator Shackett and Finance Director Waring also reviewed and recommend making the switch. M/Nedeau, S/Thomas to approve and sign the contract as recommended. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Administrators Report: The Commissioners considered an offer from the State of New Hampshire to buy the old prison property in Laconia. The Commissioners do not see any county use for the property, having considered and researched the potential several years ago. They would like to see the City of Laconia acquire it. They asked to meet with Matthew Lahey to see how to best assist the City. Rep. Alida Millham encouraged all to read the study that was done on this parcel as it is very informative and covers all aspects of the property. M/Nedeau, S/Thomas to post pone making a final decision until the 8/8/12 Commissioners meeting where they would like Matt Lahey to be present to discuss. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Property and Liability Program and Workers Compensation Program Renewals: Administrator Shackett brought forth the renewal contracts with Primex for a period of 3 years. Primex has offered a 7% CAP on Property & Liability and an 8% on Workers Compensation. Ms. Shackett reviewed both contracts and is comfortable with them. M/Thomas, S/Nedeau to agree to the terms and sign the contracts with Primex as presented. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Approval of the minutes: M/Thomas, S/Nedeau to approve the minutes of 6/27/12 and the minutes of 7/11/12 as written. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Letter from Town of Gilford Select Board: The Commissioners considered a letter from the Gilford Board of Selectmen. They requested that an effort be made to consolidate dispatch services and that a new billing method be implemented. The Commissioners agreed to consider consolidation but not to changing the method of billing. Administrator Shackett briefed the Commissioners on a meeting that she and Sheriff Wiggin had with Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid (LRMFA) last week about their communication systems.

Public Comments: Commissioner Philpot asked for public comment. There was none.

Thank you to Rep. Millham: Commissioners publically thanked Alida Millham for her hard work, dedication and professionalism in the years that she has served as a Representative.

Non Public: M/Thomas, S/Nedeau to enter into non –public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II, (a). Commissioner Philpot polled the board. Y- Thomas, Y – Nedeau, Y – Philpot. Unanimous. **Motion carries.** The Board was in non-public session at 8:15 AM.

Nonpublic session concluded at 8:30 AM and the Commissioners were back in a public meeting.

Adjourn: Unanimous motion to adjourn at 8:31 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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