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Commissioners Meeting Minutes November 13, 2013

Commissioner Thomas 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 John H. Thomas, Edward D. Philpot, Jr., Stephen H. Nedeau and County Administrator, Debra Shackett.

Commissioners reviewed the meeting calendar. Approval of minutes as follows:

M/Philpot, S/Nedeau to approve the 10/30/13 minutes as written. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**
M/Nedeau, S/Philpot to approve the 10/30/13 nonpublic minutes. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**
M/Nedeau, S/Philpot to approve the 11/05/13 minutes. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**
M/ Philpot, S/Nedeau to approve the 11/06/13 minutes. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**
M/Nedeau, S/Philpot to approve the 11/07/13 minutes. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Administrators report: Administrator Shackett reported that the Boys and Girls Club was awarded the \$250,000 CDBG they applied for thru the county. They plan to apply for the other \$250,000 that they may be eligible for in January. The County can apply for up to \$500,000 twice a year. Administrator Shackett has expressed that the county might try to apply themselves. Administrator Shackett asked the board when they can meet to finalize the budget. Commissioners would like this to be an evening meeting. Administrator Shackett continues to work on the budget and will let the department heads know of the Commissioners decisions/changes made in their respective budgets.

Committee reports: Commissioner Nedeau reported that the Laconia Airport Authority was re-organizing and looking to hire a Maintenance Coordinator. Commissioner Nedeau read an article in the Union Leader over the weekend regarding Jails in the southern counties here in NH and some of the issues that were listed. He is happy to report that Belknap County did not have any of these issues and he said that is due to the staff at the Department of Corrections and Kudos to them all!!

Commissioners would like to go out to all of the Towns to talk about the 2014 budget and review what the spending level is, how it has been maintained since approx. 2008 all with a drastic decrease in revenues, etc. Administrator Shackett will draft a memo outlining information and to

ask to meet with each Board and explain. (Similar as the County Conversations). They would then follow it up with an information session here at the county.

Administrator Shackett is working on the power point presentation for the December public hearing. While the Commissioners have the floor, they need to use this time to be very thorough in their presentation and with their message as it may be the only opportunity afforded to them.

Adjourn: M/Philpot, S/Nedeau to adjourn at 7:52 am. Unanimous. **Motion carries.**

Respectfully submitted,

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