

## **BELKNAP COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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Edward D. Philpot Vice-Chairman Laconia

Stephen H. Nedeau Clerk Meredith

## Commissioners Meeting Minutes July 23, 2014

Commissioner Thomas called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 5:30 pm on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH and recited the pledge of allegiance.

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

**Calendar:** Commissioners reviewed the meeting schedule.

**Approval of minutes:** A motion was made by Ed Philpot to approve the minutes of 7/9/14. Seconded by Steve Nedeau, all voted in favor.

**Correspondence:** An invitation was received to attend a Criminal Justice System meeting.

Administrators Report: See attached.

<u>Commissioners Committee Reports:</u> The Commissioners reported on their assigned committees.

<u>Appeals Committee:</u> Ed Philpot made a motion to appoint Commissioner Nedeau to represent Belknap County on the Corrections Academy Appeals committee. John Thomas seconded the motion and both voted in favor.

<u>County Conversations:</u> The Commissioners decided to hold a joint meeting early in November to involve the towns/city in the budget process, by seeking feedback from them prior to presenting to the Delegation.

<u>Public input:</u> Dave Devoy agreed that electric rates will only be on the rise, and favored locking in to a low rate asap. He also commented on the newspaper article regarding mental health issues in our jail. He hoped it would help to inform the public. He spoke to Representative Worsman and other Representatives about the HVAC system. They would like to have more accurate costs before considering a bond issue, and are willing to reconvene to consider it.

Roger Amsden asked about the pending law suit and was told that the Commissioners are working with their council on the issue. He also asked when the next jail planning meeting will be. (September 10 @ 6:00)

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 6:02pm. EP/JT/3-0

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Shackett, County Administrator