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Commissioners Meeting Minutes August 6, 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, Stephen H. Nedeau and County Administrator, Debra Shackett.

Absent: Commissioner Edward D. Philpot, Jr.

Calendar: Commissioners reviewed the meeting schedule.

Approval of minutes: M/Nedeau to approve the 07/21/14 and 07/23/14 minutes as written. S/Thomas. All voted in favor. **Motion passes.** M/Nedeau to accept the 07/09/14 nonpublic minutes as written. S/Thomas. All voted in favor. **Motion passes.** M/Nedeau to amend the sealing of the 07/09/14 nonpublic minutes from 60 days to permanently sealing. S/Thomas. All voted in favor. **Motion passes.**

<u>Correspondence</u>: Commissioner Thomas shared an email that was sent to him requesting a proclamation from the Board recognizing September as Childhood Cancer Awareness month in Belknap County. Commissioners directed Administrator Shackett to draft a Proclamation for the next Commissioners meeting.

<u>Ratify phone poll for electricity rates:</u> Administrator Shackett requested that the Commissioners ratify the phone poll that was taken on 07/28/14 for electricity rates with Direct. (2 yes via phone poll from Commissioner Philpot and Commissioner Nedeau). M/Nedeau to ratify the vote of 07/28/14 via phone. S/Thomas. All voted in favor. **Motion passes.**

Ratify phone poll for counsel for the Personnel committee: Administrator Shackett requested the Board ratify the 07/29/14 phone poll to approve providing counsel for the personnel Committee. M/Nedeau, S/Thomas. All voted in favor. **Motion passes.**

<u>Surveillance System:</u> 7 proposals received. The committee has narrowed it down to 3 who will be called back for interview and to display their equipment. Then, a recommendation will be presented to the Board. Commissioner Nedeau also asked who was responsible for the sound

system in courtroom #1 at the courthouse. The Commissioners were at a hearing there this morning and said the sound was horrible. Administrator Shackett will look into this.

Jail Locks: Facilities Manager, Dustin Muzzey submitted a memo explaining the situation with the locks at the jail. Mr. Muzzey and Administrator Shackett are recommending the need to waive the purchasing policy and to award the bid to A & B Locksmith to get this project done. There needs to be a unanimous vote to waive the policy. M/Thomas to waive the competitive bidding requirements due to the inability to obtain quotes from 3 vendors. S/Nedeau who stated that this is a safety issue that needs to be taken care of. Unanimous yes vote. **Motion passes.**

Administrators Report: See attached.

Commissioner Nedeau asked Administrator Shackett why there was nothing on the new tower in front of the Sheriff's dept. Commissioner Nedeau would like to know when something will be going on it.

Commissioners Committee Reports: Nothing new to report.

Public input: Commissioner Thomas asked for public input. There was none.

Adjourn: M/Nedeau, S/Thomas to adjourn at 5:50 pm. Approved. Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

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