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## Commissioners Meeting Minutes October 1, 2014

Commissioner Thomas called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 6:00 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.

Commissioners apologized for running late; they had a non-meeting with their counsel that ran over; they thanked everyone for their patience.

Calendar: Commissioners reviewed the October meeting calendar.

<u>Approval of minutes:</u> M/Philpot, S/Nedeau to approve the 09/03/14 minutes and the 09/03/14 nonpublic minutes as written. Unanimous. **Motion passes.** M/Philpot, S/Nedeau to approve the 09/18/14 minutes as written. Unanimous. **Motion passes.** 

<u>Cintas service agreement:</u> Administrator Shackett presented the 5 year contract/shredding service agreement for the County with Cintas for their documentation destruction services. Administrator Shackett recommends approving the agreement. M/Nedeau, S/Philpot to accept the 5 year agreement based on the Administrators recommendation. Unanimous. **Motion passes.** 

Letter on Medicaid Managed Care: As a follow up to Ms. Flanagan's letter dated 09/11/14 the Commissioners asked for an update on what's going on at the State regarding Medicaid Managed Care. Ms. Flanagan reported that they are lobbying this issue in Concord, have spoken to the Governor and are hoping to delay the start of this program past 2015. The State still does not know how it will work. Commissioners asked what are some of the issues they would be faced with. Ms. Flanagan said it would become very difficult to regulate the Nursing Home, it would create delays in care, denial of payment just to name a few and private homes would be under the same rules. Commissioners directed Administrator Shackett to forward this letter to the Legislative Delegation.

<u>Lake Region Public Access (LRPA) rates:</u> Administrator Shackett gave the rate sheet that LRPA dropped off at a meeting; it needs explanation. Ms. Shackett will get the information for

the next Commissioners meeting. Commissioners instructed Ms. Shackett to discontinue LRPA services until we clarify costs.

**Budgets:** Administrator Shackett asked about scheduling budget reviews. She needs the Commissioners availability for early November. Probably for 2-3 days to meet with department heads, agencies, etc. Commissioners will email Ms. Shackett with availability so she can get these scheduled as soon as possible.

**Commissioner's committee reports**: Nothing new to report.

<u>Public input:</u> Ms. Child, a member of the public who has a loved one in the Nursing Home said she was disappointed at the Executive Committee Meeting Monday night and said it felt very adversarial. She was appalled at the behavior of the Delegation towards the Commissioners and Administrators. She came to tonight's Commissioners meeting because Rep. Tilton told her to come here to learn more if she had questions.

<u>Adjourn:</u> With no further business to come before the board, M/Nedeau, S/Philpot to adjourn at 6:20 pm. Unanimous. **Motion passes.** 

Respectfully submitted,

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