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Commissioners Meeting Minutes  
November 12, 2014

Commissioner Thomas called the Belknap County Commissioners meeting to order at 9:30 am on the above date at 34 County Drive, Laconia, NH.

In Attendance: Commissioners John H. Thomas, Stephen H. Nedeau, County Administrator, Debra Shackett and Finance Director, Glen Waring.

The Commissioners reviewed transfer requests to be presented to the Executive Committee. They signed all three documents and asked that they be forwarded to the Committee ASAP.

The Commissioners met with Judy McGrath to review the Deeds budget request. They requested an additional review of the revenue accounts.

At 10:00 Dustin Muzzey presented the Maintenance budget request. The Commissioners were concerned about the rate increase for Electricity and the increase of heating fuel costs.

The Corrections budget was reviewed at 10:40, with Captain Berry. The Commissioners asked about revenue from inmates, asked for an updated projection of medical services costs, and wanted to verify that all personnel costs reflected the 3 new officers.

The County Attorney's budget was reviewed at 11:00. Since the Commissioner's have included funds for Contingency in their recommendation they are comfortable reducing the Witness & Legal account.

11:20 – Restorative Services with Brian Loanes – revenue projections are down and the Commissioners asked Mr. Loanes to reevaluate the resources required for the Recovery Court. It should be acknowledged that this has become such a significant resource for the county. They are interested in the potential for changing roles.

Lunch break from 11:45 – 12:45.

From 12:45 to 1:30 the Commissioners met with the Sheriff to review his requested budget. They focused on communications expenses, court security costs, and vehicles.

The Commissioners conducted their semi-annual jail inspection from 1:30 to 2:30.

They took a break from 2:30 to 3:00.

At 3:00 they met with Charlotte Flanagan to review the Nursing Home budget. The revenue projections were most challenging as they are difficult to predict due to changes with Managed Care and the inability to rely upon Proshare. More information was requested regarding the use of the bus and the possibility of a new van. Some of the new equipment requests will require more documentation as well.

*Adjourn:* The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Debra A. Shackett, County Administrator