**Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Brann, Commissioner Harvell, Commissioner Carlton

Meeting held by Zoom

**Franklin County Commissioners Meeting**

**September 6, 2022 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Brann at 3:15 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

**Audience:** Amy Bernard, Donna Perry, Jim Desjardins, Susan Black, Fen Fowler, Nick Palmer, MBTV, Tiffany Baker, Mike Pond, Tim Hardy, Susan Pratt, Rick Strout, Tiffany Baker, David Rackliffe, Susan Black, Diane Dunham, Pamela Prodan, John Donald, Dean Langton, Beverly Lavigne

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**Appointment of County Administrator as UT Manager: Motion to approve the appointment of Amy Bernard as UT Manager: (Bob/Lance) (3/0)**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Clerk’s Report:** Minutes from August 18, 2022 for approval. County appreciation BBQ happening this Friday. The offices will be shut down from 12-1pm. Meeting set with central FC Fire Departments to discuss UT fire department coverage. Commissioner Carlton will be attending. Meeting set with county municipalities to discuss UT services and any other ways we can work together. Sheriff’s deputy had an accident on 8/26/2022 while responding to a burglary in progress call, the cruiser is being adjusted by the insurance and could be a total loss. **Motion to accept the clerks report: (Bob/Lance) (3/0)**
2. **Treasurer Report:** The warrants were presented for signature by the Treasurer. Warrants include payroll, FY22 gravel for UT, UT, County, ARPA, and AP for Homeland Security Grant, also presented were two EFT’s, one for Empower and one for MPERS. **(Bob/Lance) (3/0)** Two bank reconciliation s have been complete, Bangor Savings Bank (TIF) and Skowhegan Savings Bank (UT). **Motion to approve the Treasurers report and sign the warrants:**
3. **Mike Pond, Cherry Hill Road:** Road is maintained for summer only and has been for years. Landowner has been responsible for winter maintenance. The Commissioners left the research to the property owner.
4. **Windows and Sills for the Courthouse Bid:**
* Backdraft Custom: $9,985
* McLaughlin: $8,574

**Motion to come back and make a recommendation at the next meeting upon review of the proposals: (Terry/Lance) (3/0)**

1. **Architectural Contract:** Commissioners signed the contract.
2. **Update on Jail Security System:** The Jail Administrator, Sue Pratt and County Administrator are meeting with the lowest bidder Tuesday morning to review the proposal.
3. **Outsource Finance Options:** County Administrator provided a summary of the research regarding outsourcing finance. It will be an estimated cost of $125,000per year. Requested an estimate to have RHR Smith come in to do training with the Finance Mgr. Reached out to Bangor Payroll for an estimate in cost for payroll services. Commissioner Brann requested Amy put together a cost sheet in Excel to show a comparison of both options.
4. **Madrid Plow Contract:** The County Admin. reached out to all the road snowplow contractors about how much was needed for a fuel adjustment clause. Only one response was received by Chase Logging for Madrid.Estimated 13-15 miles of road. In leu of the increased cost for diesel at $4.79 per gallon and increase in salt deliveries, Chase would like an additional $2350 per month. The new contractual agreement would include an increase at a total cost of $18,349.60 for the FY22/23 snowplow contract. **Motion to approve the increase to the contract for the FY22/23: (Lance/Bob) (3/0)**
5. **Jail Transport Vehicle, Open Bids:**
* **Quirk: $42,271.34**

**Motion to approve the acceptance of the bid from Quirk: (Lance/Bob) (3/0)**

1. **Sheriff’s Office, Brandon Sholan to Full Time:** Brandon has 5 years’ experience in law enforcement. Lt. Rackliffe would like approval to bring Brandon on as a full-time deputy. **Motion to approve the promotion to full time Deputy back dated to 9/4/2022: (Lance/Bob) (3/0)**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. **Dead River Road, Eustis: Beverly Lavigne mentioned being unsuccessful with identifying ownership of the Dead River Road. She has searched Deeds for information. The County Administrator suggested Beverly go to the town of Eustis as part of Beverly’s research.**

**Warrants:** 2 payroll, 2 UT, 1 FY22 UT, 2 County, 1 ARPA, and 2 EFT’s

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**A motion and second to adjourn. (Lance/Bob) (3/0)**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:20pm**

**Next regular meeting will be September 20 at 3:15pm**

**A recording is available for this meeting.**

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