

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA

LOCATION: Franklin County Superior Courtroom

DATE AND TIME: February 4, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

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RECOGNITION:

APPOINTMENTS:

- **Appointment of Amy Bernard from Rumford, Maine as the County Administrator**
- **MCCA Legislative Policy Committee**
- **MCCA Bylaw Working Group**
- **UMF Board of Visitors**

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Administrator's Report**
- 2. Treasurer's Report**
- 3. Sheriff's Department – K9 Bain**
- 4. Route 27 Corridor – Board Issues**
- 5. Greater Franklin Economic and Community Development MOU**

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Betterment Grant Fund**
- 2. Opioid Settlement Committee Update/Progress**

MISCELLANEOUS:

WARRANTS: UT, County AP, TIF, and Payroll

- **Executive Session1 M.R.S. 405(6)(D) - Personnel Matter - NCEU Request**
- **Executive Session 1 M.R.S. 405(6)(A) – Personnel Matter – IT Request**
- **Executive Session 1 M.R.S. 405(6)(F) - Lease Agreement 124 Main Street, Farmington**
- **Executive Session 1 M.R.S. 405(6)(A) – Personnel Matter – Title 30A (82) County Administrator**

ADJOURNMENT:

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**County Commissioner's Meeting
Agenda Discussion and Analysis
February 4, 2025**

Recognition:

Appointments:

Appointment of Amy Bernard from Rumford, Maine as the County Administrator.

Appointment of Tom Saviello to the MCCA Legislative Policy Committee.

Appointment of Tom Saviello to the MCCA By-Law working group.

Agenda Item: Administrator's Report

Comments: Minutes from January 21, 2025, Commissioner Meeting

- Calderwood Engineering went out to bid on January 29, 2025, for Reeds Mill Bridge #592, over Oberton Stream, Madrid Township.
- Wentworth Engineering held an in-person pre bid meeting on January 30th at Quick Stream bridge. The bids are due back on February 21st to the Office of the Wentworth Engineering.
- We would like to welcome Constantino Zenteno as our new Deputy with the Sheriff's office. His first day will be February 17th.
- We would like to congratulate Deputy Tyler Gray as the newest K9 Handler for the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. Tyler and Atlas have begun their training and are working well together.
- Auditors did their in-office work on January 28th and 29th, they may have more need for information, however it will be scanned and sent to their drop box.
- The Fraternal Order of Police union met with the County/ Sheriff to start negotiations for their contract renewal.
- The Teamsters Union will meet on February 25th to start negotiations.
- Department Heads' Budget review will begin February 11th through 13th.

Recommendation: Motion to approve and sign the January 21, 2025, Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Included in the packet

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Treasurers Report.

Sheriff's Department - K9 Bain

Comments: Sergeant Bean retired in December 2024 along with his K9, Bain. K9 Bain served Franklin County for 8 years and is now over 10 years old. Past practice has been when a handler retires, his K9 retires along with them and the handler retains ownership of the K9. Retired Sergeant Bean has retained ownership of K9 Bain. Please see the letter from Sheriff's Nichols in your packet.

Recommendations: Motion to authorize the gift of K9 Bain to Mr. Bean, his handler.

Route 27 Corridor – Border Issues

Comments: Commissioner Carlton met with the Municipal Officials along Route 27 Corridor during the update on the Coburn Gore Boarder Crossing this summer. They agreed that there will be a need for discussions about the effect on the towns due to the increase in traffic and other impacts. Commissioner Skolfield and Commissioner Carlton would like to have a formal meeting with effected communities to discuss concerns. This could require several meetings, and they want to make the other commissioners aware of their involvement in this effort and to sanction such activities.

Recommendation: Motion to allow Commissioner Carlton and Commissioner Skolfield to take part in the route 27 corridor border crossing concerns meetings.

Old Business

Betterment Grant Fund

Comments: During the Summer the Town Manager's in Southern Franklin County asked for the County Administrator and Sheriff to discuss a County option for Animal Control Officer shortages they faced. The County did some research for grant opportunities; the Betterment Fund Grant aims to establish a county-wide animal control officer (ACO). The Sheriff's Office and County Administrator met with town officials on several occasions to discuss the need for qualified ACO's. The Town's most interested in the ACO position sent letters of support, please see enclosed in the packet asking the Commissioners to authorize the application for this grant opportunity's request is to authorize the County to apply for the grant for a 2-year period at \$30,000 per year. These funds would assist with the salary and benefit for this position under the Sherriff Office. The intent of this "pilot" ACO position would have it become self-funded through the towns and UT.

Recommendation: Authorize the County Administrator to apply for the Betterment Fund Grant.

Greater Franklin Economic and Community Development MOU

Comments: In December Charlie Woodworth sent an email and we met to discuss the status of the compensation for Greater Franklin Economic and Community Development for the Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Coordinator of the application process and facilitators of the TIF Committee. We worked extensively last spring on a Standard Operating Procedure for the TIF application processes and timelines to efficiently get these applications through to the Board for approval (you can find the SOPs on the google drive). We used that document to draft the Memorandum of Understanding enclosed which is also in your packet. We currently pay \$10,000 for this service out of the TIF fund, GFEC has not received a rate increase in the last 5 years.

Recommendation: Motion to: Motion to Authorize the County Administrator to sign the MOU.

Opioid Settlement Committee Update/Progress

Comments: Commissioner Saviello and Sue Pratt give an update on the Opioid Committee's progress.

Recommendation: Motion to: None at this time.

Miscellaneous

PAM PRODAN, TREASURER – Report for February 4, 2025, meeting

Current cash and investment (CDARS) balances from trio-web.com Ledger Detail Report

General Fund Operating Cash \$4,720,640.78

General Fund Payroll Cash \$84,468.80

General Fund CDARS \$1,009,266.06

ARPA Fund Cash \$279,845.82

ARPA Fund CDARS \$1,200,000.00

UT General Fund Cash \$242,554.88

UT General Fund CDARS \$1,110,192.67

UT TIF Fund Cash \$620,812.71

UT TIF CDARS: \$3,723,719.69

Interest rates - NOTE: In November, Cash account rates for General Fund, UT General Fund, TIF Fund went from 3.75% to 3.5% and ARPA Fund Cash account rate went from 3.5% to 3.0%.

General Fund Operating Cash 3.5% 12/31/2024 All invested with Intrafi Cash Service at Androscoggin Savings

General Fund CDARS 4.9% 1/23/2025 All invested at Androscoggin Savings

ARPA Fund Cash 3.0% 12/31/2024 All invested with Intrafi Cash Service at Franklin Savings

ARPA Fund CDARS 3.5% 1/23/2025 All invested at Franklin Savings

UT General Fund Cash 3.5% 12/31/2024 All invested with Intrafi Cash Service at Androscoggin Savings

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UT TIF Fund Cash 3.5% 12/31/2024 All invested with Intrafi Cash Service at Androscoggin Savings

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Town Tax Payments

For municipalities, their due date is February 1, 2025, for the second of the two county tax payments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. They have a grace period until interest begins on April 1, 2025. See the next page for second tax payments received as of Friday, January 31, 2025.

Warrants

AP Warrants expected for signatures at 2/4/2025 meeting:

AP County Warrant \$344,691.70

AP UT Warrant \$148,249.35

AP TIF Warrant \$18,097.50

Payroll Warrant

Pay period from 1/5/2025 to 1/18/2025 \$201,836.18

SECOND TAX PAYMENTS

received as of Friday, January 31, 2025

AVON \$42,511.00

CARRABASSETT VALLEY \$802,937.00

CARTHAGE \$63,222.50

COPLIN PLANTATION \$41,423.00

DALLAS PLANTATION \$137,503.00

EUSTIS \$180,260.00

FARMINGTON \$534,285.00

INDUSTRY \$105,698.50

JAY \$334,669.50

KINGFIELD \$138,766.50

NEW SHARON \$102,574.50

STRONG \$85,619.00

TEMPLE \$43,424.00

WELD \$125,006.00



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January 30, 2025

Honorable Commissioners of Franklin County,

As you are likely aware, Sergeant Nathan Bean retired in December 2024. His K9, Bain, also retired with him. K9 Bain served the county for over eight years and is over ten years old. It is customary that when a K9 is retired, the county turns over ownership of the dog to the handler. As impersonal and cold as it may seem, the K9 is "property" of the county and can only officially be disposed of by the county commissioners. Retired Sergeant Bean has retained custody of K9 Bain.

I would request that the commissioners officially donate ownership of K9 Bain to Retired Sergeant Nathan Bean. This is done with no cost to the county.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Scott R. Nichols", is written over a horizontal line.

Sheriff Scott R. Nichols

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") is entered into this ____ day of February, 2025, by and between **FRANKLIN COUNTY, MAINE**, a governmental entity organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine, whose mailing address is 140 Main Street, Suite 3, Farmington, Maine 04938 (the "County") and the **GREATER FRANKLIN ECONOMIC and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** is a nonprofit organization, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 107, Farmington, Maine 04938 (the "Greater Franklin").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the County contracts with the Tax Increment Financing Coordinator whom works and facilitates the Tax Increment Finance Committee meetings and application processing, located within Franklin County; and;

WHEREAS, the County has contracted with Greater Franklin for the processing of applications that are received by the TIF Coordinator. The TIF Coordinator is responsible for submitting the applications to the Committee and vetted for completion, scheduling Committee meetings, communication with applicants who are denied funding for their projects and provide an explanation for the denial, communicate with the County Administrator and Deputy County Administrator relating to the recommended projects, placement on the agenda for funding and payments for projects/scholarships. These duties align with the standard operating procedures for TIF projects and scholarships.

WHEREAS, the County has agreed to pay Greater Franklin for the services described above; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to memorialize this obligation in the form of this MOU.

NOW THEREFORE, the County and Greater Franklin hereby enter into this MOU as follows:

1. **Payment.** The County is to pay Greater Franklin for the services described above, in the amount of **\$15,000.00** annually.
2. **Binding Effect; Remedies.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the parties intend for this MOU to constitute a formal agreement that shall bind the parties consistent with the terms and conditions outlined herein. The failure of Greater Franklin to perform the services described above shall constitute a breach of this MOU, which shall enable the County to pursue any and all remedies available to it at law or in equity.

3. **Miscellaneous.** If any provision of this MOU is held to be illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be severed and shall be inoperative, and the remainder of this MOU shall remain operative and binding on the parties. Failure of either party to enforce any provision of this MOU shall not be deemed as a waiver of any future right of that party to enforce the same provision. This MOU may not be amended except in writing signed by duly authorized representatives of both parties. This MOU represents the complete and final agreement between the parties regarding the content outlined herein, to the exclusion of all prior or contemporaneous agreements, either oral or written.

The undersigned parties hereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding on the date first written above.

WITNESS:

FRANKLIN COUNTY, MAINE

By: Amy Bernard,
Its: County Administrator

WITNESS:

**GREATER FRANKLIN ECONOMIC
and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

By: Charlie Woodworth
Its: Executive Director

THE BETTERMENT FUND

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GRANT PRIORITIES

Qualifications for Betterment Fund Grants

The Betterment Fund makes grants exclusively to benefit the residents of the State of Maine. The following are overriding elements in our consideration of grant applications:

- The Betterment Fund has a historical and continuing focus on the Western Mountains region of Maine which includes Oxford, Franklin, and Somerset Counties. We also make some grants in other rural areas around the top rim of the State of Maine down to the Downeast region. We do relatively little funding in the geographic regions of Mid-Coast Maine, Southern Maine, and Portland. We participate in some statewide or regional projects.
- Education, health, conservation, and community support are our primary grant categories. We also recognize that certain projects transcend these categories and have defined a number of "cross-sector" areas.
- The Betterment Fund is more likely to fund applications that address issues on a permanent, systemic basis rather than discrete local programs providing services.
- The trustees have spent considerable effort defining priority areas within our grant categories. While an application that "hits the nail on the head" in terms of these stated characteristics is at least assured of serious consideration, our funds available for grantmaking are less than the amount needed to meet all such requests.
- The concept of community is very important in all areas of our grantmaking. Community proposals should originate from the ideas and needs of the affected population and demonstrate extensive support and other resources from the community or constituency.

For application-based grants, the Betterment fund's minimum annual grant is \$10,000. The maximum annual grant usually does not exceed \$35,000. The average annual grant, whether for multiple years or

a single year, is \$15,000-\$20,000. Three years is the maximum period of time the Betterment Fund will consider for a multi-year grant. The largest grants tend to be made to applicants with a successful history of grant management with the Betterment Fund

Please see the Fund's most recent annual [Grantmaking Summary](#) for examples of past grantmaking. However, certain extraordinary grants made at the initiative of the trustees may represent trial forays into areas of tentative interest or one-time special focus grants and should not be taken as an indication of continuing interest by the Betterment Fund.

General Grant Considerations

In addition to the stated qualifications and priorities for Betterment Fund grants, the trustees use the following general criteria for evaluating grants:

1. **Use of Funds:** The Betterment Fund makes grants for general operating support and specific projects and programs, and far less frequently for the acquisition of equipment or facilities. Endowment grants are infrequent.
2. **Fiscal Responsibility and Financial Sustainability:** The application's rigorous financial disclosure requirements are mandatory. They enable the trustees to evaluate the application for financial planning, responsibility, management, and demonstration of a realistic plan for the continuance of the organization and/or program after the proposed Betterment Fund grant has been utilized.
3. **Other Sources of Support:** Sometimes the Betterment Fund can be the first outside funder; sometimes, it is the last. It is rarely the sole funder. We also look for evidence of substantial support from the non-profit's constituency. Collaboration with other non-profits, municipalities, businesses, governmental entities, and other groups is favorable.
4. **Breaks between Grants:** The Betterment Fund prefers not to provide any single organization continuous support. With limited exceptions, a grant application immediately after several consecutive years of funding to the same organization without a break is less likely to be successful.
5. **Needs of Particular Populations:** The Fund has a particular focus on underserved rural populations. However, some other underserved Maine communities are distinguishable by common interests, experiences, history, age, language, race, religion, national origin, or other characteristics rather than by geography and may require special support to access services and opportunities within the context of other stated Fund interests and priorities on a more equitable basis.
6. **Climate Change:** The Betterment Fund recognizes that climate change impacts Maine's natural community and human population. Efforts that counter climate change by resilience or adaptation and that otherwise match the Fund's priorities are of interest in any category of grants.
7. **Exclusions:** The Betterment Fund does not make grants to individuals or for the support of religious activities or programs.
8. **Tax-Exempt Status:** The Betterment Fund makes grants only to (i) publicly supported organizations which are exempt from taxation under I. R. C. section 501(c)(3) and which are not private foundations, or (ii) exempt government agencies. An organization which is not itself tax-exempt may rely on a fiscal agency by a separate publicly supported tax-exempt organization or governmental agency. See the [How To Apply](#) page.

Current Grant Priorities

FOUR MAJOR SECTORS

1. COMMUNITY SUPPORT

We favor community-wide programs or regional systemic approaches to issues to improve well-being within the following current priority areas:

- **Downtowns:** Projects for comprehensive community planning and regional or state-wide organizations with similar missions, reduction of sprawl, and improved regional land use planning.
- **Basic Human Needs:** Improvement of regional or statewide systems for the efficient provision of services to meet basic needs such as food, permanent shelter, and transportation. It is not practicable to fund local programs such as homeless shelters, local food pantries, or gardening projects* under this priority (* but see Moving Communities to Health, below).
- **Legal Protections:** Programs using legal channels to counteract the vulnerability of certain segments of Maine's population including:
 - **Civil Legal Access for the Underserved:** Programs for access to legal assistance in civil and governmental administrative areas for needy constituents in rural areas and other vulnerable populations.
 - **Immigrant, Refugee, and Indigenous Populations:** Strategies to remove barriers to employment and other civic participation and otherwise ensure the rights of members of immigrant, refugee, and indigenous tribe populations.
 - **Justice-Involved Individuals:** Over the last few years, support in the following areas demonstrates an emerging pattern of smaller, as yet less predictable grants, with a focus on residents of Western Maine:
 - re-entry programming (e.g., Maine Prisoner Re-entry Network; Maine Youth Court); and
 - alternatives to incarceration, including prerelease programs (particularly in jails) and measures to mitigate disparities in access to such alternatives based on individuals' economic circumstances.

We do not generally make grants for historical preservation, monuments, museums, theaters, and historical societies. Our former practice of modest one-time capital grants to rural community libraries is no longer a Betterment Fund priority.

2. EDUCATION

We believe that every Maine resident is entitled to an education which equips the individual to lead a satisfying, productive, and economically independent life, and we are interested in funding broad-based educational policy initiatives to that end. Please see "Health" and the Cross-Sector areas of "Early

Childhood” and “Economic Development” for initiatives related to education in those areas. More particularly we fund:

- **Educational Quality:** Projects on a systemic level designed to improve the quality and effectiveness of Maine pre-K to 12 public education, including universal pre-K and, eventually, pre-k for 3-year-olds in the public school setting. This may include measures to encourage persistence in school, as well as programs to broaden students’ exposure to possibilities for fulfilling careers.
- **Adult Education:** Education programs which aim to increase the economic self-sufficiency of Maine adults, especially those who have not completed education through or beyond grade 12, and to acquire the skills to adjust successfully to changes in the Maine, national, and worldwide economies.
- **Arts Education:** Grants with a regional or statewide focus which have the potential of improving the overall landscape for pre-K to 12 arts education throughout Maine.
- **Higher Education Aspirations:** Programs which aim to increase the personal and family higher education and career aspirations of Mainers and provide accessible pathways to fulfillment of those aspirations.

Proposals less likely to be funded include individual school programs, programming supplementary to the curricula of schools, and construction projects. Any funding of scholarships at Maine colleges and universities is done only at the initiative of the trustees rather than in response to grant requests.

3. CONSERVATION

Perpetuating a balanced, dynamic relationship between the natural and built environments in the three-million-acre corridor between the White Mountain National Forest and the Moosehead Lake region is of particular interest. To that end we sponsor the following initiatives within the extensive and varied landscape which covers most of Oxford, Franklin, and Somerset counties:

- Preservation of special places, particularly those identified by the local communities, along the spine of the Appalachian Trail and in the Maine West and High Peaks Regions.
- Support of the responsible development of working forests and agriculture.
- Preservation and restoration of threatened natural habitats.
- Opportunities for traditional Maine recreation in the target region.
- Support of water quality preservation of lakes, rivers, and ponds.

Occasionally we may fund projects of land trusts and environmental organizations located in the other rim counties, but we focus primarily on the Western Maine counties listed above. We are not likely to fund coastal, ocean island, or fishing-related proposals.

4. HEALTH

We are currently focusing our Health grants in the following areas:

- **Maine Public Health Policy:** Programs to address a stronger state public health infrastructure, the collection of useful data, disease prevention, and leadership in issues of public health such as environmental health, ACES and resiliency, mental health, and pandemic preparedness.
- **Oral Health:** Improving oral health in Maine, particularly preventative oral health programs for children and other vulnerable populations.
- **Increasing Educational Opportunities for Health Careers:** Opportunities for Maine residents to pursue health careers at all levels of practice and continued learning for current health care professionals.
- **Community Health Projects:** A funded project will likely be a multi-focused effort which combines health improvements with factors relating to the social determinants of health, such as income and educational disparities, living conditions, social isolation, and inequities in access to health programs.
- **Substance Use Disorder:** The trustees' interest in addressing this subject is strategically focused, with limited exceptions on:
 - Recovery programs in Oxford and Franklin counties;
 - Programs to curtail substance abuse relapse upon re-entry from jail; and
 - The development of state policies aimed at responding to substance abuse disorders.

Please note that projects focused primarily on physical activity and healthy eating should be submitted under our cross-sector "Moving Communities to Health."

Proposals that are not as likely to be funded include medical research, projects relating to a single disease, actual delivery of medical treatment, and capital construction or equipment purchases.

CROSS-SECTOR AREAS

We have identified these areas as being particularly susceptible to consideration under more than one of our traditional priority categories.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

We recognize that the expansion of Maine's economy will advance other areas of Betterment Fund concern. We particularly support the following programs:

- **Entrepreneurship:** Programs that promote scalable entrepreneurship, particularly in rural areas. Areas of particular interest include women- and minority-owned businesses and improved coordination of existing entrepreneurship and economic development efforts, including with educational initiatives. The development of careers and businesses in the trades is also of interest.
- **Agricultural Capacity:** Improvements to the competitiveness and long-term viability of Maine farms and farmers by providing technical support and improving access to distribution and markets.
- **Tourism:** Promotion and development of quality tourism as an engine for economic opportunity in the mountain and forest regions, with particular preference for the Western Mountains region.

- **Broadband:** Support of planning and implementation projects to increase access to broadband in local communities of Oxford, Franklin, Somerset, and northern Cumberland Counties, conditioned upon local municipal and/or nonprofit community entities' commitment of resources to such projects.

We do not fund support of particular business ventures or farms.

CREATIVE ECONOMY

The Betterment Fund is primarily interested in regional and statewide strategies promoting the economic enhancement of communities through arts and culture.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

The Betterment Fund has prioritized improvement of the education, health, and general well-being of Maine's youngest children, from before birth through preschool age. Our focus in this area is funding the development of best practices for the physical, mental, and psychosocial health and development of young children. We support policy work that leads to the adoption of state or federal policies to achieve these outcomes and the establishment and maintenance of the broad infrastructure to carry out this work. We also are interested in the development of an economically viable and accessible system of childcare for working families. We are unlikely to make grants to individual school or childcare center programs.

MOVING COMMUNITIES TO HEALTH

Of interest are community-scale initiatives taking advantage of natural and other qualities inherent in the community's locale and promoting the participation of its residents in active recreation and other activities (such as healthy eating) conducive to healthy lifestyles and prevention of illness. Essential elements of this priority include:

- A demonstrated connection to individuals' physical and/or mental health; and
- Initiation by and for the residents of an identified geographic-based community (as opposed to individuals with common interests or attributes drawn from more disparate geographic areas).

PHILANTHROPY

The Betterment Fund embraces opportunities to collaborate with other state-wide philanthropic organizations that seek to improve grant-making and support charitable activities in Maine. In addition to making grants, the Betterment Fund supports and participates in a number of funder groups around specific issues.

TRUSTEE-INITIATED

MAINE WEST AND HIGH PEAKS INITIATIVES

Beginning in 2014, the Betterment Fund has selected approximately twenty organizations from the 27 townships collectively having approximately 25,000 residents that span Bethel to Norway/South Paris and Rumford (Maine West) and the Rangeley area (High Peaks). These organizations receive annual stipends from the Betterment Fund to defray costs to work collaboratively to increase their collective impact in a geography which has experienced serious stress from a decline in paper product manufacturing and the demise of many of the smaller wood mills that once dotted the region's river towns. This effort had its origins in the Bethel area and from 2004 to 2014 was known as The Mahoosuc Initiative. In 2014 the Fund decided to broaden the initiative's focus from being based strictly on conservation to encompass also other areas of Betterment funding, namely education, health, and community support, so as to enhance the quality of life of residents most broadly.

OTHER TRUSTEE-INITIATED PROJECTS

Other Betterment Fund grants made on its own initiative (as distinguished from those based on applications) are often a direct outcome of collaborations with other funders. In addition, each year there are several \$10,000 grants made to organizations chosen by the trustees which, as stated above, should not be considered as indications of relevance to grant applications.

February 2022

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