WALDO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT SESSION (SPECIAL SESSION) MAY 20, 2019

PRESENT: Commissioners William D. Shorey, Amy R. Fowler, and Betty I. Johnson, and County Clerk Barbara Arseneau to take minutes.

Call to Order: Commissioner William D. Shorey called the court session to order at 1:12 p.m.

BRIEF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

None reported.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to enter executive session at 1:15 p.m. for discussion of use of real property as permitted by M.R.S.A. Title 1§405(6)(c). Unanimous.

**A. Fowler moved, B. Johnson seconded to come out of executive session at 2:35 p.m. Unanimous.

The Commissioners stated that Probate Court will be moving upstairs and the Register of Probate, Judge, and Facilities Manager will be measuring and configuring a layout that permits three offices upstairs to remain as rental space.

- **A. Fowler moved, B. Johnson seconded to enter executive session at 2:36 p.m. for consideration of employment as permitted by M.R.S.A. Title 1§405(6)(a). Unanimous.
- **B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to come out of executive session at 2:42 p.m. Unanimous.
- **B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to hire Nicole Hubbard as Assistant Clerk effective June 3, 2019 at the 8-year level on the Commissioners Administrative Staff pay scale in consideration of years of experience and skills at \$19.65 per hour. Unanimous.

PROBATE REGISTRY UPDATE:

The Commissioners met briefly with Registrar of Probate Sharon Peavey and Facilities Manager Keith Nealley to discuss plans for the Registry upstairs and decided to take a walk-through of the upstairs after their court session. S. Peavey provided dimensions and measurements of both floors of the District Courthouse space.

DISCUSSION OF D.A.'S OFFICE LEASE PAYMENT FOR 2019:

K. Trussell informed the Commissioners that the State needs to know how to invoice the County for the District Attorney's Office lease. After brief discussion, it was decided that the 10-year lease should run January through December and be billed and paid annually.

**B. Johnson and A. Fowler to pay 2019 lease for D.A. out of County Planning Reserve in the amount of \$2,496.62. Unanimous.

TELEPHONE SERVICE CONTRACT:

Human Resources Director Lynn Patten met with the Commissioners to discuss the wording in the telephone service contract submitted by SJ Rollins. It indicated a different provider for telephone service, which had not been mentioned to the Commissioners or the staff. The Commissioners wished to do more research on this and to speak with the current telephone service provider.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AS NEEDED:

B. Johnson said she would be attending a conference with information that would also benefit the County and had paid two of the three days. She asked if the County could pay for the third night.

**A. Fowler moved, W. Shorey seconded to pay for the night if B. Johnson needed to stay the third night for the conference. Passed by two; B. Johnson abstained.

NEXT COURT SESSION:

The next Commissioners Court Session is a regular session scheduled Thursday, June 6, 2019 starting at 9:00 a.m.

**B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to adjourn the court session at 3:05 p.m. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara L. Arseneau Waldo County Clerk
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