

**WALDO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT SESSION
(SPECIAL SESSION)
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019**

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

Call to Order: Commissioner Shorey called the court session to order at 8:33 a.m. and dispensed with the flag salute.

CORRESPONDENCE:

County Clerk Barbara Arseneau reviewed the following correspondence with the County Commissioners:

1. The Higgins I.D. Machine annual maintenance contract in the amount of \$375.00 needs to be signed and submitted. W. Shorey signed for the County Commissioners.
2. A suggestion was made to the County Clerk during a recent department head/safety meeting that the MCRCC residents might do some cooking for the upcoming Spirit of America Foundation Tribute Ceremony in October. The Commissioners thought that was an excellent idea and suggested cookies and one other dessert. B. Arseneau will also bring a vegetable platter.
3. There had been some discussion after a previous court session among the Commissioners regarding furniture in the Commissioners Chambers and courtroom, so arrangements were made for samples of chairs to be available for the Commissioners to try during their next regular court session. The Commissioners talked briefly and decided not to add any new chairs at this time. There was also discussion about tables in both the courtroom and in chambers. The conference room table will remain in the courtroom. The long table in the Superior Courthouse law library will be moved into the Commissioners' chambers, and the table currently in chambers will be moved to the Commissioners' Office for either one of the Clerks to use.
4. B. Arseneau asked which agencies the Commissioners wish to meet with to discuss 2020 budget requests and they stated that they would like to meet with all of them.
5. Signage needed: B. Arseneau asked the Commissioners to think about what signage on doors and the building needed to be changed with the changes in offices and new Commissioners Court Room. The Commissioners said that outside doors and inside doors will need to be considered. Ideas are to be presented to the Commissioners for approval.
6. Cumberland County Director of Public Affairs Travis Kennedy sent an email message dated September 4, 2019 as a follow-up to an email sent August 19, 2019 regarding the struggle of many county and town managers with the recent brown-tail moth infestation. A letter has been drafted supporting University research and if each County is interested in using that as a sample letter to send their own support of this endeavor, they may do so. After brief discussion, the Commissioners

instructed B. Arseneau to draft a letter from the Waldo County Commissioners in support of this research.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to go into executive session at 8:51 a.m. for discussion of non-public information as permitted by M.R.S.A. Title 1§405(6)(f). Unanimous.**

****A. Fowler moved, B. Johnson seconded to come out of executive session at 9:08 a.m. Unanimous. No action was taken.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to go into executive session at 9:10 a.m. for discussion of non-public information as permitted by M.R.S.A. Title 1§405(6)(f). Unanimous.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to come out of executive session at 9:25 a.m. Unanimous.**

****A. Fowler moved, B. Johnson seconded to move \$250,000.00 from undesignated County funds; \$50,000.00 to the Future Technology Reserve and the other \$150,000.00 to the Technology Reserve. Also, \$100,000.00 will be moved from undesignated Jail funds to the Technology Reserve. Unanimous.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to move \$50,000.00 from County undesignated funds to the County of Waldo Health Plan. Unanimous.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to enter executive session at 9:52 a.m. for discussion of non-public information as permitted by. Unanimous.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to come out of executive session at 10:53 a.m. Unanimous.**

The Commissioners stated briefly that after consideration of unfunded liability and other matters, they are making the following motions:

****A. Fowler moved, B. Johnson seconded that any sick leave accumulated over 720 hours will be gone. Unanimous.**

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded that no compensated time will be given outside of normal office hours unless approved by the Board of Commissioners. Unanimous.**

The next Commissioners Court Session is a regular session scheduled on September 19, 2019 starting at 1:00 p.m.

****B. Johnson moved, A. Fowler seconded to adjourn the court session at 11:07 a.m. Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted by *Barbara L. Arseneau* Waldo County Clerk

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