Carroll County Commissioners Meeting April 27, 2016

Present: Commissioners David Sorensen, David Babson, and County Administrator Ken Robichaud.

Others Present: Chuck Stuart, Jason Henry, Susan Wiley, Steve Knox, Wynette DeGroot, Olivia Saunders, Andy Kendall, Daymond Steer, John Ruckenbrod, Rep. Glenn Cordelli, Rep Mark McConkey, Rep Ed Comeau

Commissioner Sorensen called the meeting to order at 8:30 am / Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Babson motioned to accept and approve minutes of April 21st, 2016 with corrections seconded by Commissioner Sorensen: all in favor. So voted

Public Input - None

Work Session

Bob Murray presented the commissioners with a contract from **Pine State Elevator** for the Administration Building elevator service.

Commissioner Sorensen motioned to sign the contract with Pine State Elevator for service of the Administration building elevator seconded by Commissioner Babson: all in favor. So voted

Chuck Stuart updated the commissioners on the Auditors progress and 2016 Q1 figures which will be out soon. Expenses and revenues are looking good there are a few minor adjustments to be made.

Chuck sent out a Memo to department heads about sick time buyback. The non-union sick time buy back will be discontinued. MVC union will be reverting back to the original contract and the buyback will be paid out in January based on the December 31st numbers.

Jason Henry discussed the RFP for upgrading the security system at the jail it will be put on the website, sent directly to vendors and advertised in the newspaper. Commissioner Sorensen would like list vendors that were sent the RFP to be attached and kept in the office.

Jason will be attending a heroin summit on April 28th at Mountain View Grand

Kevin Warwick (Alternative Solutions) will be presenting the commissioners with a progress report at the June 1st meeting. DOC officer & staff appreciation will be May 26th at 6:00 pm

Ken presented the commissioner with an Accounts Payable and Cash Receipt & Deposit Policies for their review; it will be discussed at the May 13th meeting.

There was discussion about the sub- committee for the agricultural learning center. Ken asked Representative Cordelli if he thought about inviting anyone from the commissioner's office and Rep. Cordelli said the commissioners would need to be involved at some point. Right now they are developing the concept not implementing anything at this time. Ken would like the commissioners to take the lead on this project.

Commissioner discussed the gardens and the high tunnel. Will offered to plow the gardens if someone will plant and maintain them. Commissioner Babson will investigate the possibilities for the garden. Commissioner Sorensen offered to donate drip irrigation for the high tunnel.

Commissioners signed checks for Hales Location

Administrator Updates

Hales Location school contract will be sent to the attorney to review and it will be revisited at the May 13th meeting.

Non Public

Commissioner Babson motioned to go into non-public sessions 1&2 Under RSA 91-A:3 Paragraph II (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting.

Session 3 under RSA 91-A: 2(a) Strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining. Seconded by Commissioner Sorensen: all in favor. So voted

Commissioner Babson motioned to come out of non-public sessions 1&2 and keep session 1 sealed under RSA 91-A:3, III. Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Commissioner Sorensen: all in favor. So voted

RSA 91-A:3, III Minutes of proceedings in nonpublic sessions shall be kept and the record of all actions shall be promptly made available for public inspection, except as provided in this section. Minutes and decisions reached in nonpublic session shall be publicly disclosed with 72 hours of the meeting, unless, by recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present, it is determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board, or render the proposed action of the board ineffective, or pertain to terrorism. In the event of such circumstances, information may be withheld until, in the opinion of a majority of members, the aforesaid circumstances no longer apply.

Public Input

John Ruckenbrod – Commissioners and Delegation should work together on the Agricultural Learning Center

Kate Davis – County Farm is an asset to the county and has mismanaged.

Kendall Foundation

"Our goal: to create a resilient and healthy food system in New England by increasing the production and consumption of local, sustainably produced food."

Commissioner Babson introduced Andy Kendall of the Kendall Foundation. There was a lengthy discussion about the use of the Carroll County farm land. Andy would like to work with the county to keep the farm land productive. See the entire discussion on **governmentoversite.com**

Up Coming Events

May 11 & 12 Primex conference Friday May 13th Commissioners meeting Tuesday May 24th Commissioners meeting Wednesday May 25th NH Municipal Training

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Babson would like to work on the contract procedure and make sure it is consistent & there are no multiyear contracts.

Public Input

Daymond Steer asked if the hunting will be allowed on the county property

Commissioner Babson motioned to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Sorensen: all in favor. So voted

Minutes Approved on
David Sorensen, Chairman
David Babson, Vice Chair
Chris Ahlgren, Clerk