

Carroll County Commissioners Meeting  
March 30, 2016

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

**Others Present:** Jason Henry, Wynette DeGroot, Will Dewitte, Domenic Richardi, John Ruckenbrod

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 March 23rd 2016 seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

**Public Input** - None

**Work Session**

Jason Henry reviewed the contract for jail programs and recommended that the commissioners sign the contract with Alternative Solutions of South Hadley MA for \$29,985.68

***Commissioners Sorensen motioned to approve contract with Alternative Solutions of South Hadley M.A. in the amount of \$ 29,985.68 for jail programs seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

Domenic Richardi presented the commissioners with the Motorola Contract for purchase of consoles.

***Commissioner Babson motioned to approve and sign the Motorola Contract seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

Commissioners asked Domenic to call other counties that have the same contract to see if they have any issues with it.

Will Dewitte and the commissioners discussed the possibility of the UNH Learning being housed at the farm and options for the gardens. There were also discussions about the production of hay, bagged wood and the possibility of PYO blueberries.

***Commissioner Babson motioned to investigate having someone come in and use the garden space under Will's tutelage seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

Commissioners asked will to keep track of the time he spends working on farm duties.

### **Budget Review**

The 2016 budget was passed by the delegation on March 28, 2016. The total budget \$30,071,423.00 the amount to be raised by taxes \$ 17,623,594 which is \$180,000 less than 2015

Commissioner Babson reported the school board at SAU 9 have tabled the contract with Hales Location , he suggests the commissioners update the Hales Location residents.

Commissioners signed checks for Hales Location.

***Commissioner Babson motioned to send a Letter to Rep. McCarthy asking where he feels the previous commissioners when wrong on the boiler contract seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

### **Administrator Updates**

HR is working on Job Description for the payroll coordinator position.

The administration is very happy with the new auditors Melanson Heath.

Channel 13 news from Portland M.E were interviewed Ken on Friday & again on Monday.

Bernie from Penichuck water will have quote to Ken next week.

### **Upcoming Events**

April 5 Effingham selectmen meeting at 5 pm

April 5 Eaton selectmen meeting at 7pm

May 11 & 12 Primex conference

May 13 Commissioners meeting

***Commissioner Babson motioned to adjourn at 11:50 am seconded by Commissioner Ahlgren: all in favor. So voted***

**Minutes Approved on \_\_\_\_\_**

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**David Sorensen, Chairman**

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**David Babson, Vice Chair**

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**Chris Ahlgren, Clerk**

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