

County of Carroll
Commissioner's Meeting
Carroll County Administration Building
January 15, 2020

Meeting convened: 11:30 a.m.
Members Present: Amanda Bevard (Chair), Terry McCarthy (Vice-Chair), David Babson (Clerk)
Others Present: Treasurer Joe Costello, MVC Administrator Howard Chandler, Sue Gelinas (MVC Social Services)
Public Present: Ed Comeau (governmentoversite.com), Dana Streeter
Recording Clerk: Mellisa Seamans

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: "Approve the minutes of November 20, 2019" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed

The January 8, 2020 meeting minutes are being held until corrections requested by Babson are made.

Media Questions

None

Public Input

None

Check Manifest

Bevard announced the check manifest for the week ending January 10, 2020 of \$137,257.30 for 2019 invoices and \$2,23.31 for 2020 invoices.

MVC Social Services

Chandler introduced Sue Gelinas as the new MVC Social Services Director.

Line Item Transfers

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 46" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed 3-0

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 47" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed 2-1

Costello will inquire with Porter Office Machines to determine if current copiers are capable of tracking by department. Babson expressed concern about excessive numbers of copies being made and need for staff to be more vigilant about these costs.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 48" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed 3-0.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 49" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson for discussion. Passed 3-0

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 50" by McCarthy, 2nd Bevard. This request is on hold until January 22 meeting, pending clarification on reason for overage.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 51" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed 3-0.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 52" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson. Passed 3-0.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 53" by McCarthy, 2nd Babson for discussion. Passed 3-0

Chandler explained when special events are held, food costs are incurred but then credited to general fund and not back into dietary food line. Examples include special events of recreation department, on-campus trainings. In 2021, Chandler would like to see a revenue line to better track this rather than income being put in "miscellaneous". Babson asked if towns were charged for the meals provided to police officers during a recent training. Both Babson and Bevard offered to speak to the sheriff for clarification.

Website Hosting Contract - CivicPlus

Bevard will contact the vendor to schedule their visit to a commissioner's meeting to explain their current and available services. Bevard noted the current website is difficult to navigate.

Registry of Deeds Revenue

Registrar Lisa Scott provided a year-end 2019 revenue report.

Commissioner's Update

The commissioners have been invited to attend a House Committee hearing on HB 1372 regarding how county commissioners are elected.

MOTION – "Whoever goes to committee to represent the board reiterates how the board stood with the vote" by Babson, 2nd McCarthy for discussion only. Passed 2-1

MOTION: "The board of commissioners appoint Bevard to represent the board at the January 16 committee hearing and say that the board is not in favor of the bill (HB 1372) as it is written" by Bevard, 2nd McCarthy. Passed 2-1 on roll call with Babson opposed.

Bevard agreed that, in her testimony, she will make it clear that the board vote was 2-1 on a roll call.

Bevard will ask DPW Superintendent Will DeWitte if he was able to contact Central Tire regarding purchase of replacement tires for the loader.

Archival Records Committee

McCarthy is the commissioner's representative to this committee and attended the January 13 meeting. The committee voted 3-0 to recommend to the delegation subcommittee that the archival restoration line be increased to \$500,000. Babson objected to McCarthy voting to support this increase without first coming back to the board of commissioners for approval. Bevard suggested this concern can be brought to the subcommittee meeting.

Media Questions/Public Input

None

Non-Public Session

Non-public Session 1

MOTION: "To enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant" by Babson, 2nd McCarthy. Passed on roll call vote 3-0.

Non-public Session 2 and 6

MOTION: "To enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted" by Babson, 2nd McCarthy. Passed on roll call vote 3-0.

Non-public Session 3, 4, 5

MOTION: "To enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (b) The hiring of any person as a public employee" by Babson, 2nd McCarthy. Passed roll call vote 3-0.

On a unanimous voice vote, the commissioners re-entered public session.

MOTION: "To seal the minutes of sessions 1,2,3,4, 6" by Bevard, 2nd McCarthy. Passed 3-0

Bevard made the announcement, "The county commissioners will be performing all county administrator duties until further notice."

Non-public Session 7

MOTION: "To enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted" by Babson, 2nd McCarthy. Passed on roll call vote 3-0.

MOTION: "To seal the minutes of session 7" by Bevard, 2nd McCarthy. Passed 2-1 with Babson opposed.

Treasurer Report – Joe Costello

MOTION: Suggest Treasurer Costello start investigating TANs money not to exceed \$17 million" by Babson, 2nd Bevard. Passed 3-0.

Bevard recessed the meeting so the board could enter into a non-meeting regarding union negotiations and to conduct the weekly check signing.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved on

January 22, 2020

Amanda J. Bevard
Amanda Bevard, Chairman

David H. Babson
David Babson, Clerk

Terry McCarthy
Terry McCarthy, Vice-Chairman