

## GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Office of the Commissioners  
3855 Dartmouth College Hwy.  
N. Haverhill, NH 03774  
Tuesday June 23, 2009

PRESENT: Commissioners Michael Cryans, Ray Burton and Martha Richards, Executive Director Clough and Secretary Martino

Commissioner Cryans opened the meeting at 9:08 AM

Rachel Clough from UE Local 78 along with members Diane Huckins, Walter Forsythe, Annette Davidson and Angie Ricker, arrived for the signing of the contract agreement with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Cryans recognized A. Ricker as being chosen as the LNA of the year for all ten Counties in the state. He discussed attending her award ceremony in Concord and then visiting the State House. He said it was a very fun day and congratulated Angie on behalf of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Burton said that Rachel Clough has represented the Union for quite some time at the County and thanked her on behalf of the employees in his district. Commissioner Richard thanked everyone for their cooperative teamwork in coming to an agreement. Commissioner Cryans said that it was important that things went smoothly in negotiations and that the biggest responsibility was to preserve jobs at the County. R. Clough said that the committee understood that the economic times and took that under consideration while negotiating.

Commissioner Burton moved to approve the minutes from June 16, 2009, which was seconded by Commissioner Richards. A correction was made. All were in favor.

Director Clough said that the PSP transaction would take place in the amount of \$606,895 which will be less than was expected.

Director Clough said that the FMAP money was currently under some controversy as the state is looking to retain some of that money.

The internal posting for the HR Director will be going up once the Commissioners have reviewed it, and will remain for one week. Internal applicants will be reviewed and then, Director Clough said, they will see where they are at that point.

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Littleton Area Learning Center on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

### COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

Commissioners Burton and Richards relayed their sympathies to Commissioner Cryans at the passing of his father, Andrew Cryans of Littleton.

Commissioner Burton said that he wanted to make sure there was going to be a ceremony for the opening of the Farmstand.

Commissioner Burton attended the funeral for Steve Huntington who worked for Congressman Hodes' office.

Commissioner Burton met with the Selectboard in Landaff and has only Warren left on his list and then he is done for the year.

Commissioner Burton said that DART's helicopters are expected to move to a facility in Nashua which he did not approve of.

Commissioner Richards said that she attended an event put on by Local Energy Solutions in Concord and attended some workshops. Senator Shaheen was a keynote speaker and Erik Seltzer, head of Energy and Planning in Washington was there. Commissioner Richards said she is still trying to get funding for the biomass project. She said that Energy committee member David Van Houten put together a table with the project information and she would like to get a group together to further discuss funding.

Commissioner Cryans said that last Wednesday the Jail held a luncheon for people who have been volunteers over the years and it was very well attended with a nice presentation. He commended Supt. Libby and his staff.

The Commissioners left the building in the company of Supt. Oakes to visit the water tank. While at the tank site, Supt. Oakes explained a little about how everything worked.

The Commissioners returned and went to the Jail for a tour with Supt. Libby.

From there the Commissioners went to the Nursing Home and met with NHA Bolander.

Nursing Home census is at 132.

NHA Bolander presented a bid request for an auto scrubber which is needed to keep up with the floors. Two bids were obtained and the third bidder chose not to bid. NHA Bolander requested the Commissioners approve the bid from AmSan.

Advance AutoScrubber	
AmSan	\$5317.72
Swish Kenco	\$5795.

Commissioner Richards approved the bid for an Auto Scrubber from AmSan in the amount of \$5317.12, which was seconded by Commissioner Burton. All were in favor.

The Commissioners discussed what the Executive Committee added into the Nursing Home budget for revenue from the Medicaid rate increase, Pro-Share money and Bed Tax.

11:06 AM Being no further business the meeting adjourned

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Raymond S. Burton, Clerk