

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Office of the Commissioners  
3855 Dartmouth College Hwy.  
N. Haverhill, NH 03774  
Monday Sept. 8, 2008

PRESENT: Commissioners Michael Cryans, Burton and Richards, Executive Director Clough and Sec. Martino

Commissioner Cryans called the meeting to order at 9:09 AM.

Commissioner Richards moved to approve the minutes from September 3, 2008, which was seconded by Commissioner Cryans. All were in favor.

The Commissioners signed the check registers.

Energy Resources Solutions has presented a bid for a full and comprehensive energy audit of the entire County complex which is to include a full report and will give a baseline snapshot of the current situation prior to making any decisions as to which type of energy product should be used at the facility. Commissioner Richards said that she, the Alternative Energy Committee and Supt. Oakes all feel very comfortable with this company as their choice. In total, four companies were contacted, two responded and one was priced considerably higher. The cost for Energy Resource Solutions is \$26,370, which is money that has been encumbered from fiscal year 2008.

Commissioner Burton moved to approve the waiving of the bid in favor of Energy Resource Solutions in the amount of \$26,370, which was seconded by Commissioner Richards. All were in favor.

An email was received requesting the appointment of K. Morley to the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC), as Grafton County has two seats on the commission which can be appointed. The request came from Mr. Morley and a positive recommendation from Executive Director C. Walker followed, adding that Mr. Morley would be a good addition to the commission. After some discussion the Commissioners agreed to appoint Mr. Morley

Commissioner Burton moved to appoint K. Morley of Lebanon to a seat on the UVLSRPC, which was seconded by Commissioner Richards. All were in favor.

A request was received from a Nursing Home employee regarding a pay increase. Director Clough and the Commissioners had a general discussion about upgrading positions and Director Clough stressed the need for consistency. Commissioner Burton was in favor of the increase for the employee but was over ruled by Commissioner Cryans and Richards who were not at this time.

A direct deposit for the fourth quarter drug rebate was received in the amount of \$2005.

The Commissioners signed the CDFA closeout paperwork regarding Mascoma Corp.

The NHAC early bird registration for the County conference has been extended for two weeks. The awards banquet will be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October.

Since the County will be in court on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the day of the Executive Committee meeting will need to be changed.

### COMMISSIONER ISSUES

Commissioner Richards said there will be a county wide transportation summit at PSU on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Burton said that there was an LGC employee arrested for a breach in the confidentiality of personnel records and asked Commissioner Cryans if he had any information as a Board member of LGC. Commissioner Cryans said that there was an investigation and that he really couldn't talk about it.

Commissioner Burton said that on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September, beginning at 12:30 PM, he would be going down to the UNH Extension Conference room to watch the internet inauguration of President Huddleston, and asked that the information be posted at each County building for anyone wishing to attend. Sec. Martino said that she had put the information on the website.

Commissioner Burton said that he would like to see someone appointed to the UVLSRPC from the Canaan/Enfield area.

Commissioner Burton commended the Farm for using tons of wood ash from RCI in Holderness.

Commissioner Cryans attended Family Day and said it was a major success. He said that he would like to thank all those who volunteered, including Activities, Dietary, Maintenance and the Farm, as well as the many people who volunteered from outside the County.

Director Clough was contacted by P. Jamison of the Valley News last week who asked about RD Sharp's being out of the office for a month campaigning. Jamison said that Sharp had told him that it was his prerogative as an elected official to come in as he pleased and asked Director Clough if that was typical behavior. Director Clough said that there are no set policies for elected officials. Jamison asked if it was typical of other elected officials past or present and she told him that it was not typical behavior and had not been done before.

The Commissioners left the Admin building and toured the new Maintenance Building. After the tour Commissioner Cryans closed the meeting at 10:17 AM

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Raymond S. Burton, Clerk