

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING

May 5, 2021

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At a regular meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of York, begun and holden at the York County Government Building in Alfred, within and for the County of York, being held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 A. D. at 4:30 P. M.

### COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Richard R. Dutremble  
Richard Clark  
Robert Andrews  
Allen Sicard  
Donna Ring

County Manager Gregory Zinser and Deputy County Manager Linda Corliss were present at the meeting.

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#### 05-05-21 ITEM

##### 1 PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)

a. Letter from York Resident, Janet Drew-County Manager Zinser asked that the Board recognize the letter. Commissioner Dutremble asked if Janet Drew was present on the ZOOM meeting so that she could read her letter but she was not. Her letter will be filed as part of the meeting record.

##### 2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

- a. Special Meeting of April 14, 2021- Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 Commissioners' meeting with corrections. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- b. Regular Meeting of April 21, 2021- Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2021 Commissioners' meeting with one correction. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

##### 3 TO APPROVE TREASURER'S WARRANTS

a. Warrants dated April 14, 2021 in the amount of \$413,524.25-Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrants. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

b. Warrants dated April 21, 2021 in the amount of \$287,802.94-Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

c. Warrants dated April 28, 2021 in the amount of \$552,123.71- Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the warrant. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

**4 TO HEAR GRIEVANCE FROM FOP UNION** (executive session pursuant to personnel issues 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A) and/or consultation with legal counsel pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E) may be necessary)

Grievant elected to have the Hearing in executive session.

Commissioner Clark motioned to enter into executive session pursuant to personnel issues 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A). Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion.

Commissioner Clark motioned to come out of executive session. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

Commissioner Clark motioned to table the grievance until a date that is available to all parties as the Commissioners need time to review the large amount of documents just given to them. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

**5 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

None

**6 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER**

None

**7 NEW BUSINESS**

a. Business agent designation (new Finance Director)-Commissioner Clark motioned to change the authorized business user on the county credit card agreement with TCM Bank, N.A from Deputy Treasurer Rose Leeman to Finance Director Lori Lemieux. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

b. Credit card increase for EMA Director Art Cleaves and Division Chief David Francoeur-County Manager Zinser explained to the Commissioners that they had approved this previously but, for some reason, it never was changed. Therefore, it is before the Board again.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. The Commissioners signed the Resolution (included as record with these minutes).

c. Introduce H.R. Director, Linda Corliss to seek hiring approval for Christopher Derrah in the position of Deputy Sheriff with a hire date of June 7, 2021. H.R. Director Linda Corliss addressed the Board to request hiring approval of Christopher Derrah in the position of full-time deputy with an effective date of hire of June 7, 2021.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Christopher Derrah in the

position of full-time deputy with a hire date of June 7, 2021. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. DISCUSSION: Commissioner Ring asked the starting rate of pay. H.R. Director Linda Corliss responded \$22.80. Commissioner Ring asked when the employee (if approved for hire) would be attending the police academy. H.R. Director Corliss responded, August of 2021. Vote 5-0.

d. G&H block renovation-construction management process- The County Manager read a memo explaining the renovation (attached as record of these minutes) and explained that he is seeking approval to obtain construction management services. Commissioner Ring asked what the renovation will entail. County Manager Zinser answered that the area will be demolished and more office spaces will be made for EMA. This area will be used primarily for a regional coordination center. He continued that the preliminary drawings have been done and this project will allow for six more meeting spaces. It is anticipated that the drawings will be completed by mid- July. Commissioner Ring asked if all permits and permissions had been secured from the Town of Alfred. County Manager Zinser responded, no, but that they've been informed that since it is an internal project, only a building permit is required. If this process is approved by the Commissioners, we will go to the Town to ensure it is a buildable project, stated County Manager Zinser. Commissioner Clark moved to allow the County Manager to obtain bids. Commissioner Andrews seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

e. To hear property tax abatement denial appeal from Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC, Buxton- \*\*This item was meant to be written to schedule this abatement denial hearing. Commissioner Clark motioned to schedule this Hearing at the June 2, 2021 Commissioner's Meeting and to inform both parties that ALL documents need to be received by the Commissioners prior to the meeting. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

**8 OLD BUSINESS**

None

**9 TO CONDUCT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL ISSUES PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A), ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (C), LABOR NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) AND CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E), REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F)**

None

**10 PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)**

None

**11 ADJOURN**

Commissioner Clark motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.