

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

December 19, 2017

Dover-Foxcroft, ME

Minutes

8:30

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 1. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the minutes of their December 5, 2017 meeting. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**
- 2. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the County expenditures in the amount of \$25,213.42. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**
- 3. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Jail expenditures in the amount of \$16,578.78. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**
- 4. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Unorganized Territory expenditures in the amount of \$10,426.69. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**
- 5. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approval the Payroll Warrant for December 14, 2017 in the amount of \$115,902.32. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**
- 6. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and signed the 2018 solid waste contract between the Town of Monson and Piscataquis County for Blanchard Township. M: James White S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0**

**TOWN OF MONSON
SOLID WASTE CONTRACT
2018**

BY THIS CONTRACT, THE Town of Monson enters into an agreement with the Piscataquis County Commissioners to allow residents of **Blanchard Township** rights and access to use the Monson Transfer Station.

For the annual sum of \$9,950.00 dollars, **Blanchard Township** residents will be allowed to dump such trash and refuse in the Monson facility in accordance with the rules and regulations for that facility as determined by the residents and officials for the Town of Monson.


Be it also agreed that the Town of Monson shall continue to maintain exclusive rights to the control and care of the Transfer Station and its property.

The Town of Monson will furnish decals for the residents of **Blanchard Township** designating that they have the use of the Monson Transfer Station facility.

This agreement will remain in force each year unless either party gives a 30-day notice before December 31st of any year. Either party can renegotiate any of the terms of this agreement if both parties agree prior to January 1st of any year.

Dated, signed and adhered to this 19th day of December A.D. 2017

Town of Monson Board of Selectmen



Karl Martin, Jr. Chairperson



Brita Cronkite

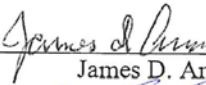


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Piscataquis County Commissioners




James White, Chairperson



James D. Annis



Wayne Erkinen



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7. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and signed the 2018 solid waste contract between the Town of Monson and Piscataquis County for Elliottsville Township. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkinen V: 3-0

**TOWN OF MONSON
SOLID WASTE CONTRACT
2018**

BY THIS CONTRACT, THE Town of Monson enters into an agreement with the Piscataquis County Commissioners to allow residents of **Elliottsville Township** rights and access to use the Monson Transfer Station.

For the annual sum of \$9,950.00 dollars, **Elliottsville Township** residents will be allowed to dump such trash and refuse in the Monson facility in accordance with the rules and regulations for that facility as determined by the residents and officials for the Town of Monson.

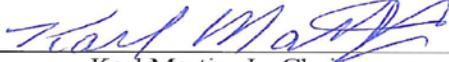
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Dated, signed and adhered to this 1 day of Nov. A.D. 2017

Town of Monson Board of Selectmen

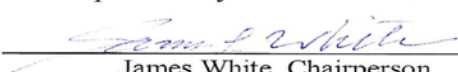

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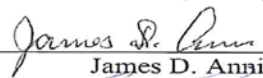

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8. Piscataquis County Commissioners re-appointed James Annis as representative to the Maine County Commissioners Association Board of Directors and to the MCCA Risk Pool Board of Directors for 2018, and designated Tom Lizotte as the county's proxy representative.
M: Wayne Erkkinen S: James White V: 3-0
9. Piscataquis County Commissioners received one bid for constructing a roof enclosure over the exercise yard at the Piscataquis Jail, therefore they voted to extend the request for bids and open them on February 6, 2018. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
10. Department Head:
 - a. County Manager, Thomas Lizotte –
 - At the Commissioners' request, Lizotte agreed to rewrite the Request for Proposals for the interior renovations of the District Attorney's offices, including the requirement that separate bids be included for the general renovations and for the electrical wiring portions of the project. The initial RFP had asked for an overall project estimate from the general contractor, and a separate breakdown on the required electrical work. The Feb. 2 deadline to receive bids remains unchanged.
 - FY 2018 approved County budgets, including the estimated county tax allocation sheet, have been mailed to the required recipients: the state Bureau of Taxation, the Fiscal Administrator for the Unorganized Territory, members of the Piscataquis legislative delegation, and all 19 county municipalities and plantations.
 - A chart was shared with Commissioners showing FY 2018 Maine county jail funding sources. Total jail expenditures are \$91 million for the coming year, and there is a \$2 million projected shortfall in revenue. The counties are providing \$88.9 million in revenue, while the state Department of Corrections is contributing \$15.2 million.
 - b. County Treasurer, Johanna Greenfield – did not attend
 - c. Jail Administrator, Maria Landry
 - Everything is running smoothly
 - Still has 15 federal prisoners
 - d. Sheriff, John Goggin no comment, but Bob Young informed the Commissioners:
 - The sheriff's department has received a military Humvee that is on loan from the Eliot Police department. Their department received it from the military/law enforcement program, but after receiving it, the Humvee did not service their needs. Under this program they are not allowed to sell the vehicle, but they can give it to another County and the maintenance will be the new departments responsibility. Chief Deputy Young stated that the Humvee will be perfect for our County to use in the Northern part of the County, plus 4 fully equipment officers can ride in it, instead of using two or more vehicles to reach their destination
 - Informed the Commissioners they would like to change their procedure for placing bids for their new vehicles. He stated he could tack on to the State's bid with Quirk in Augusta and receive the County's new vehicle at a lower cost and receive it sooner. The State buys in bulk and they are more familiar with the process. The Commissioners would still have the final approval because once Chief Young receives the quote it will be presented at the Commissioners meeting for approval. The new vehicle will not be bought local, but all the maintenance will be done locally.
 - The sheriff's department is changing the color of their uniforms because it is very difficult to find matching brown. The new color will be black with gold buttons and gold strips on the legs.
 - e. EMA Director, Tom Capraro – did not attend
 - f. Probate Register Donna Peterson – did not attend
 - g. Deeds Register, Linda Smith – did not attend

- h. DA Administrative, Chris Almy – did not attend, office manager, Corina Tibbetts was in attendance.
- The Department have received their new ergonomic standing desks
- The Department is using their new software which is the same as district 3.
- i. Head of Maintenance, Joshua York

Other Business:

Meeting adjourned: 9:30 am