

**PISCATAQUIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**December 4, 2018**  
**Dover-Foxcroft, ME**  
**Minutes**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

1. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the minutes of their November 20, 2018 meeting. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
2. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the County expenditures in the amount of \$8,968.38. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
3. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Jail expenditures in the amount of \$6,457.03. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
4. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Unorganized Territory expenditures in the amount of \$52,652.85. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
5. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Payroll Warrant for November 29, 2018 in the amount of \$125,083.19.
6. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved the Employee Benefit Warrant in the amount of \$91,036.82. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
7. Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and approved liquor license renewal for Libby Camps, located in the Unorganized Territory of T8R9, owned and operated by Jessica and Matthew J. Libby. Sheriff Elect, Robert Young stated there were no issues and he would recommend the renewal. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
8. (A) Piscataquis County Commissioners reviewed and adopted the proposed 2019-20 Unorganized Territory budget. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0  
  
(B) Piscataquis County Commissioners voted to override the LD 1 Tax Cap. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0

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DECEMBER 4, 2018

TO: THE PISCATAQUIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
FROM: THE PISCATAQUIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SUBJECT: 2019-2020 Piscataquis County Unorganized Territory Budget

After reviewing the recommendations of the Piscataquis County Budget Advisory Committee and listening to the comments and suggestions at the public hearing, pertaining to the 2019-2020 Piscataquis County Unorganized Territory Budget, the Piscataquis County Commissioners hereby vote and adopt the enclosed budget at a meeting held by the Piscataquis County Commissioners on December 4, 2018.

The total Budget appropriation for the 2019-2020 Piscataquis County Unorganized Territory Budget is \$1,756,657.00, which includes a surplus appropriation of \$150,000.00. The total tax assessment for the County of Piscataquis Unorganized Territory for 2019-2020 is \$1,156,857.00. Voted and adopted on December 4, 2018 we are the:

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

  
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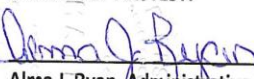
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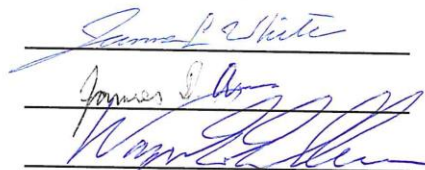
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TO: THE PISCATAQUIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
FROM: THE PISCATAQUIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SUBJECT: 2019 Piscataquis County Budget

After reviewing the recommendations of the Piscataquis County Budget Advisory Committee and listening to the comments and suggestions at the public hearing, pertaining to the 2019 Piscataquis County Budget, the Piscataquis County Commissioners hereby vote and adopt the enclosed budget at a meeting held by the Piscataquis County Commissioners on December 4, 2018. The total Budget appropriation for the 2019 Piscataquis County Budget is \$4,535,958.00, which includes a surplus appropriation of \$150,000.00. The total tax assessment for the County of Piscataquis for 2019 is \$3,820,541.00. Voted and adopted on December 4, 2018 we are the:

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10. Piscataquis County Commissioners approved and signed the agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) AFL-CIO unit representing patrol deputies, corrections officers and dispatchers, for the 3-year period from Jan. 1, 2019 through Dec. 31, 2021. M: James Annis S: Wayne Erkkinen V: 3-0
  
11. a. County Manager, Thomas Lizotte –
  - With the standard meeting date of Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019, falling on the New Year's Day holiday, it was proposed that the Commissioners' meeting schedule for January be changed from the first and third Tuesday, to the second and fourth Tuesday of that month. This schedule change would allow for meetings on Jan. 8 and 22, and because there are five Tuesdays in the month, the usual time between meetings would remain unchanged going forward. Newly elected county officials will be sworn in on Jan. 8.
  - Lizotte reported that Belmont Construction of Greenville, snowplowing contractor for Lily Bay and Frenchtown, was formally put on notice for non-compliance with its contract on Nov. 30, after an inspection by Commissioner Erkkinen and Road Agent Carl Henderson. Belmont was given 24 hours to improve travel conditions on the Lily Bay and Frenchtown roads, or risk potential loss of his contract. Follow-up inspections by Henderson on Dec. 2 and 3 showed that Belmont has restored the roads to safe travelling condition and is again in compliance with the contract.
- b. County Treasurer, Johanna Turner – no comment
- c. Jail Administrator, Maria Landry –
  - will be conducting interviews on December 10<sup>th</sup> for a fulltime corrections officer
- d. Elect Sheriff, Robert Young –
  - The Sheriff's Department is having their Christmas party on December 13<sup>th</sup>. The Christmas party will also be Sheriff Goggin's retirement party.
  - Elect Sheriff Young informed the Commissioners of his involvement with Penquis Children's Advocacy Center. He stated there is a new in office in Dover-Foxcroft for interviewing children who have suffered from all forms of abuse. Young is involved with forensic interviews with the children.
- e. EMA Director, Tom Capraro –
  - Is going to have a presentation in Greenville on December 12<sup>th</sup> to help Pete Johnson get a generator for the American Legion. The School is approved by the American Red Cross for a disaster center, therefore is not considered a warming center. The Town Office has been approved for a warming center, but if the American Legion Hall can receive a generator, it may be approved for a warming center, plus they would be able to serve cooked meals because they have a full kitchen.
- f. Probate Register Donna Peterson – did not attend
- g. Deeds Register, Linda Smith – did not attend
- h. DA Office Manager Corina Rackliff – no comment
- i. Head of Maintenance, Joshua York – did not attend

**Other Business:**

**Meet adjourned: 9:15 a.m.**