

August 10, 2017

**Minutes of the Washington County Commissioners'  
Unorganized Territories Regular Meeting  
held August 10, 2017  
in the Washington County Probate Courtroom  
Machias, Maine**

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**Attending the meeting were:  
Commissioner John Crowley, Sr.  
Commissioner Vinton Cassidy  
Betsy Fitzgerald, County Manager  
Carla Manchester, Administration  
Michael Hinerman, EMA Director  
Paula Johnson-Rolfe, WCSO Administrator  
Rich Rolfe, Jail Administrator  
Barry Curtis, Sheriff  
Mike Crabtree, Chief Deputy  
Dean Preston, U.T. Supervisor  
Sharon D. Strout, Registry of Deeds  
Jill Holmes, Treasurer**

**Commissioner Christopher Gardner was not present.**

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The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Caucus for District II was held. Eastport City Manager Elaine Abbott was re-elected for a 3-year term.

**Approval of the U.T. meeting minutes of July 13, 2017  
(Crowley/Cassidy, 2-0)**

**AGENDA ITEM: Monthly Report**

Unorganized Territories Supervisor Dean Preston's monthly report was submitted and accepted under the gavel. (See attached)

The Snow Removal Contract #6 that was approved during the July Commissioners' meeting was presented for signatures.

Dean presented a Solid Waste Contract with Machias Bay Area Transfer Station for approval. The contract would provide a disposal site for municipal solid waste and recycling center for Twp. 24, 29,

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30 and Day Block Twp. The contract would be effective from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018 for an annual compensation amount of \$2,176.18 annually.

**\*MOTION\* Commissioner Crowley moved to approve the Solid Waste Contract with Machias Bay Area Transfer Station for the areas of Twp. 24, 29, 30 and Day Block Twp as presented. Commissioner Cassidy seconded the motion which passed 2-0.**

Dean noted there was a substantial increase in the annual compensation from the previous contract. Dean is hopeful to negotiate with the Town Manager and implement a permit program that in turn will decrease the costs.

Dean presented the MDOT - LRAP (Local Road Assistance Program) documentation to be signed by the Commissioners. The document certifies that LRAP funds were used as capital improvement funds. Dean reported the following capital improvements were completed with the FY-17 LRAP funds by the County:

1. Eagle Drive, Marion Twp.: \$47,184 for road reconstruction and culvert replacement
2. Timber Cove Road, Trescott Twp.: \$26,316 for paving
3. Crows Neck Road, Trescott Twp.: \$128,160 for paving

**\*MOTION\* Commissioner Crowley moved to sign the LRAP documentation as presented. Commissioner Cassidy seconded the motion which passed 2-0.**

**AGENDA ITEM: TIF Grant Committee Update**

A report was submitted and is attached. Grant updates were provided and accepted under the gavel. There were no action items.

**AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**4:07 p.m.**

**ATTEST:**

**Carla J.R. Manchester, Admin. Asst.**