Washington County Budget Advisory Committee (BAC)

Meeting Minutes – 10/06/26

Location: 28 Court St., Machias, ME

Attendance – Brian Schuth (Chair); Ben Edwards (Vice Chair); Crystal Gallina (Secretary); Harry Fish, Jr; Harry "Sonny" Beal, Jr; Ken "Skip" Colson; Wayne Jones; Nelson "Tony" Santiago; Martha Howell; Tiffany Strout

Absent – Tim Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Brian Schuth.

Harry Fish made a motion to approve the 9/29/26 meeting minutes as presented. Sonny Beal seconded the motion. **Motion carries 10-0.**

Under the open motion from the 9/22/26 meeting to pass the 2027 County budget as presented, Chair Schuth called for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow the District Attorney to present their budget. **No objections** were made.

Next, Chair Schuth called for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow the Emergency Management Agency to present their budget. **No objections** were made.

Chair Schuth called for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow the Jail to present their budget. **No objections** were made.

A reminder was given that there would be no meeting on October 13, 2026, so the next meeting would be at 9:00 a.m. on October 20, 2026, in this same location. Presentations are anticipated to come from the IT Dept, Insurance, Benefits and Debt. Additional informational presentations are anticipated to be provided by the vehicle leasing agency and the Unorganized Territories.

A motion was made by Skip Colson, seconded by Sonny Beal, to adjourn at 10:35 am. **Motion carries 10-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Crystal Gallina

Crystal Gallina, BAC Secretary