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**Minutes of the Washington County Commissioners'  
Unorganized Territories Regular Meeting  
held July 18, 2019  
in the Washington County Probate Courtroom  
Machias, Maine**

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**Attending the meeting were:  
Commissioner Christopher Gardner  
Commissioner John Crowley, Sr.  
Commissioner Vinton Cassidy  
Betsy Fitzgerald, County Manager  
Carla Manchester, Administrative Assistant  
Joshua Rolfe, RCC  
Lynn Dwelley, WNEMA  
Susan Hatton, SCEC  
Sharon D. Strout, Deeds  
Jill Holmes, Finance  
Carlene M. Holmes, Probate  
Dean Preston, Unorganized Territories  
Christine Day, EMA**

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Commissioner Gardner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Gardner stated the Executive Session that was scheduled for 4:00 p.m. will not be necessary.

**Approval of the U.T. meeting minutes of June 13, 2019  
(Crowley/Cassidy, 3-0)**

**AGENDA ITEM: Monthly Report**

Unorganized Territories Supervisor Dean Preston's monthly report was submitted. (See attached).

Dean reported there are many projects on-going. All projects are summarized in his written report.

Dean stated he had three action items for the Commissioners' consideration.

The first agreement is for the Town of Springfield Fire Department to provide Kossuth Twp. (Rt#6) with fire protection and emergency medical services. The agreement is for a three-year term for an annual

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stipend of \$4600.00 plus a per call rate per hour. Dean noted there was a prior agreement with Springfield Fire with an annual stipend of \$4500.00.

**\*MOTION\* Commissioner Crowley moved to approve the agreement for fire protection and emergency medical services for Kossuth Twp. as presented. (Crowley/Cassidy, 3-0.)**

The second agreement is a Solid Waste Transfer Agreement between the Town of Topsfield and the townships of Kossuth and Codyville. The Town of Topsfield will provide a place to accept household waste for Kossuth Twp. and Codyville Twp. The previous contract for Kossuth Twp. was an annual stipend amount of \$2400.00. The contract has been updated to combine the service for both Kossuth Twp. and Codyville Twp. for an annual stipend of \$4800.00. The term of the agreement is for five years.

**\*MOTION\* Commissioner Crowley moved to approve the Solid Waste Transfer agreement between the Town of Topsfield and the townships of Kossuth and Codyville as presented. (Crowley/Cassidy, 3-0.)**

The third and final agreement is for Indian Township Tribal Government to provide ambulance services for the municipalities of Greenlaw Chopping Twp. and Codyville Twp. The prior agreement was for an annual stipend of \$1000.00 for service to be provided to Greenlaw Chopping Twp. Codyville Twp. has been added to the agreement for a package deal of \$1500.00 annually. This is a one-year agreement.

**\*MOTION\* Commissioner Crowley moved to approve the agreement with Indian Township Tribal Government to provide Ambulance and Rescue Services for the townships of Greenlaw Chopping and Codyville as presented. (Crowley/Cassidy, 3-0.)**

**AGENDA ITEM: TIF Committee Update**

A report was submitted and is attached.

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Ms. Hatton presented updates on Tide Mill Organic Farms and Lil Buddy Farm. Both farms are progressing well.

Commissioner Gardner inquired if all loan agreements are current. Ms.

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Hatton confirmed that all agreements are up-to-date.

**AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**4:06 p.m.**

**ATTEST:**

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