

May 9, 2024

**Minutes of the Washington County Commissioners'
Unorganized Territories Regular Meeting
Held May 9, 2024
in the Washington County Probate Courtroom
Machias, Maine**

**Attending the meeting were:
Commissioner Christopher Gardner
Commissioner Vinton Cassidy
Renée Gray, County Manager
Carla Manchester, Administrative Assistant
Reid Albee, County Wide
Susan Hatton, SCEC
Susan Sullivan, D.A. Office
Barry Curtis, Sheriff
Michael Crabtree, Chief Deputy
Josh Rolfe, RCC / WCSO
Paula Johnson-Rolfe, WCSO
Tammy C. Gay, Deeds
Megan Huffman, Finance
Lisa M. Hanscom, EMA
Dean Preston, U.T.
Jill C. Holmes, Finance
Darlene Perry, Probate**

Commissioner John Crowley, Sr. was not present.

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

Commissioner Gardner stated the tax abatement hearing scheduled for 3 p.m. was canceled. The hearing was not needed as the resolution was satisfied at the town level.

Approval of the U.T. regular meeting minutes of April 11, 2024 was tabled until the June meeting of the Commissioners due to Commissioner Crowley's absence.

AGENDA ITEM: Monthly Report

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

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Dean reported on highway maintenance projects that are on-going in the 2024 season. He stated he is assessing roadways for improvements such as paving needs and winter damage clean-up.

Dean stated the U.T. Office is reviewing Snow Removal Contracts to determine which will be re-advertised and bid for next season. He noted there are six contracts terminating for snow removal that will be re-advertised.

AGENDA ITEM: TIF Grant Committee Update

A report was submitted and is attached.

Ms. Hatton provided an update on Michael Griffin's loan. She stated the asset sale is ongoing and should be finalized by the end of May. Commissioner Gardner asked if the proceeds from the sale of assets will pay off the loan and clear all debt. Ms. Hatton responded that the loan will be completely paid off.

AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment

None.

ADJOURNMENT

4:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Carla J.R. Manchester, Admin. Asst.

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