

# KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION

**Special Meeting**

**Monday – April 4, 2011 – 8:00 a.m.**

A special meeting of the Knox County Commission was held on Monday, April 4, 2011, at 8:00 a.m., at the county courthouse, 62 Union Street, Rockland, Maine.

Commission members present were: Carol L. Maines, Commissioner District #1, Richard L. Parent, Jr., Commissioner District #2, and Roger A. Moody, Commissioner District #3.

County staff present included: County Administrator Andrew Hart, Administrative Assistant Candice Richards, and KRCC Director Linwood Lothrop.

## **Special Meeting – Agenda** **Monday – April 4, 2011 – 8:00 a.m.**

### **I. 8:00 Meeting Called To Order**

### **II. 8:01 Action Items**

1. Act to Authorize the Expenditure of Funds from the Knox Regional Communications Center (KRCC) Surplus Account for the Purchase of Generators at Tower Sites.
2. Act to Authorize an Expenditure from the Building Reserve Account.

### **III. Adjourn**

### **I. Meeting Called to Order**

Commission Chair Roger Moody called the April 4, 2011 special meeting of the Knox County Commission to order at 8:03 p.m.

### **II. Action Items**

#### **1. Act to Authorize the Expenditure of Funds from the Knox Regional Communications Center (KRCC) Surplus Account for the Purchase of Generators at Tower Sites.**

County Administrator Andrew Hart explained that at the January 11, 2011 Commission meeting, the Commission had approved an expenditure of funds from the KRCC Surplus account not to exceed \$40,000 to replace the existing tower on Ragged Mountain. After that vote the County received a grant through EMPG (through EMA/MEMA) which will fund the whole tower so the County no longer needs to expend those funds for that. Instead, the County now needs to purchase and install generators at the Vinalhaven and Ragged Mountain sites.

Since the KRCC Surplus funds were not spent on the tower, Administrator Hart asked to receive authorization for an expenditure from those Surplus funds not to exceed \$20,000 to purchase and install the generators. The generators were put out to bid and Kaplan Electrical was the lowest bidder for \$19,396. The only thing the County will be responsible for is the airlift to the location. Kaplan will do everything else. We'll be able to monitor the generator from the KRCC.

KRCC Director Linwood Lothrop commented that he had approached the other users of the tower on Ragged Mountain to see if they wanted to participate in the purchase and use of new generators, but they were not interested in doing so. Each agency using the tower has decided to get their own generators. With the installation of these two generators, all of the KRCC towers will now have backup power sources.

- A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Parent to authorize the expenditure of funds from the Knox Regional Communications Center Surplus Account, not to exceed \$20,000, for the purchase and installation of generators at the Vinalhaven and Ragged Mountain sites. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carol Maines. A vote was taken with all in favor.

#### **2. Act to Authorize an Expenditure from the Building Reserve Account.**

County Administrator Andrew Hart explained that the appraisal for 301 Park Street, which will be done by Washington Valuations of Maine, was going to cost a lot less than the County was originally told. He asked that the Commission vote to approve an expenditure from the Building Reserve Account, not to exceed \$2,500, to pay for the appraisal of the property.

- A motion was made by Commissioner Carol Maines to an expenditure from the Building Reserve Account, not to exceed \$2,500, to pay for the appraisal of 301 Park Street in Rockland by Washington Valuations of Maine. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Richard Parent. A vote was taken with all in favor.

### **III. Adjourn**

- A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Parent to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carol Maines. A vote was taken with all in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Candice Richards  
Administrative Assistant

**The Knox County Commission approved these minutes at their regular meeting held on April 11, 2011.**