

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, New Hampshire
January 26, 2006, 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:00 a.m. all members present.

The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Wieczorek, seconded by Councilor Burton, accepted the minutes of January 11, 2006.

The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Burton, seconded by Councilor Griffin approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the January 11, 2006 meeting.

The Governor placed in nomination the several persons who applied for Civil Commissions.

RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following with regret:

NH Commission for Human Rights

Rogers Johnson, Stratham

Effective: January 26, 2006

CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professionals

(Public Member)

Lloyd S. Doughty II, Epsom

Reappointment

Effective: January 28, 2006

Term: January 28, 2009

Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professionals

(Licensed Clinical Supervisor)

Robert O. Kelley, Jr., Lee

Reappointment

Effective: January 28, 2006

Term: January 28, 2009

Division of Children, Youth and Families Advisory Board

(Merrimack County)

James S. Doremus, Henniker

Succeeding: Susan Lynch, MD, Hopkinton (resigned)

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: July 1, 2006

Enhanced 911 Commission

Nominated by the NH Telephone Association

Marc Violette, Warner

Reappointment

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: July 8, 2008

Fire Standards and Training Commission

Nominated by the NH Association of Fire Chiefs

Carl F. Roediger, New Castle

Succeeding: Norman Weden, Ashland (no longer eligible to serve – no longer Volunteer Fire Chief)

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: November 12, 2006

Judicial Council

(Lay Person)

Alan Seidman, Bedford

Vacancy

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: January 1, 2008

NH Land and Community Heritage Authority

(Regional Planning)

Tim Murphy, Keene

Reappointment

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: September 6, 2009

Division of Libraries Director (State Librarian)

Nominated by the Commissioner of the Department of Cultural Resources

Michael York, Goffstown

Reappointment

Salary: GG, Maximum - \$80,376

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: February 12, 2010

Medical Review Subcommittee – with Councilor Pignatelli abstaining.

Nominated by the Board of Medicine

James G. Sise, MD, Keene

Succeeding: Kevin R. Costin, Manchester

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: December 3, 2007

State Commission on the Status of Men – with Councilor Wiczorek voting no.

David Lauren, Nashua

Succeeding: Larry Colby, Gilsum (resigned)

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: September 1, 2007

Pre-Engineering Technology Advisory Council

(Superintendent)

Richard W. Ayers, Sanbornton

Reappointment

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: September 4, 2008

Pre-Engineering Technology Advisory Board

Judith E. Houston, PE, Contoocook

Reappointment

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: September 4, 2008

Rivers Management Advisory Committee

(Recreation Interests)

Kenneth D. Kimball, Jackson

Reappointment

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: December 28, 2008

NH School Building Authority

Thomas E. Garfield, Belmont

Succeeding: G. William Porter, Gilford

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: July 1, 2008

Associate Justice of the Supreme Court

Gary E. Hicks, Manchester

Succeeding: Joseph P. Nadeau, Durham (resigned)

Effective: January 26, 2006

Term: Until 70 years of age

NOMINATIONS

The Governor placed into nomination the following:

Athletic Trainers Governing Board

Andrea Lemire St. Onge, Manchester

Succeeding: Robert Merrow, Jr., Keene

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 8, 2009

Cannon Mountain Advisory Commission

Georgie A. Thomas, Thornton

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 1, 2009

Connecticut River Valley Resource Commission

(Hydroelectric Concerns)

Cleve P. Kapala, Hopkinton

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 22, 2009

State Historical Records Advisory Board

Anne T. Packard, Holderness

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: December 6, 2008

State Historical Records Advisory Board

William E. Ross, Dover

Succeeding: Mark J. Halloran, Plymouth

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 2, 2009

Judicial Council

Gerald A. Daley, Dover

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: December 22, 2008

Department of Justice: Deputy Attorney General

Nominated by the Attorney General

Orville B. Fitch II, Concord

Succeeding: Michael A. Delaney, Manchester (resigned)

Salary: JJ Step 2- \$83,152

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: March 31, 2007

Advisory Committee on Marine Fisheries

Peter E. Tilton, Jr., Hampton

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: December 31, 2008

Moorings Appeals Board

John F. Bridges, Wolfeboro

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: October 28, 2008

Board of Natural Scientists

(Soil Scientist)

Nancy B. Rendall, Gilmanton

Succeeding: Richard Bond, Merrimack (reached term limit)

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: June 30, 2010

New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board

(Consumer)

Robert F. Hamel, Manchester

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: October 16, 2008

New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board

(New car dealer)

Peter R. Mans, Sunapee

Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: August 28, 2008

Occupational Therapy Governing Board

Carol Lewis, Amherst

Succeeding: Dennis G. Tobin, Hanover (reached term limit)

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 8, 2009

Physical Therapy Governing Board

Laurel L. Clute, Lempster

Succeeding: Margaret M. Donohue, Canterbury (reached term limit)

Effective: Upon confirmation

Term: January 8, 2009

Ports and Harbors Advisory Council

Michael J. Coffey, Portsmouth
Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: December 16, 2010

Pre-Engineering Technology Advisory Council

(Superintendent)
Michael Ludwell, Manchester
Succeeding: Ralph Minichiello, Henniker

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: September 4, 2008

Advisory Committee on Travel and Tourism

Nominated by the Commissioner of the Department of Resources and Economic Development
(Member-at-Large)
Nancy F. Kilbride, Bedford
Vacancy

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: December 1, 2008

OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#1 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Burton, seconded by Councilor Spaulding authorized the request to reclassify position #41132, Technical Support Specialist IV, labor grade 27, salary \$42,822 to an Information Technology Manager V, labor grade 34, salary \$58,656.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

#1A The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Spaulding, seconded by Councilor Griffin authorized the request under the Community Development Block Grant program to enter into an agreement with the City of Somersworth, NH for the purpose of rehabilitating 37 units of affordable housing, in the amount of \$500,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2007. **100% Federal Funds.**

OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#2 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties Inc., Concord, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 9-21-05, item #11, amended on 12-21-05, item #11), by increasing the amount from \$2,457,918 by \$473,157, to an amount not to exceed \$2,931,075. **100% Federal Funds.**

#3 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Rockingham Community Action Inc., Portsmouth, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 9-21-05, item #12, amended on 12-21-05, item #10), by increasing the amount from \$1,956,464 by \$375,055, to an amount not to exceed \$2,331,519. **100% Federal Funds.**

#4 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Tri-County Community Action Program Inc., Berlin, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 10-5-05, item #1, amended on 12-21-05, item #7), by increasing the amount from \$3,301,373 by \$638,240, to an amount not to exceed \$3,939,613. **100% Federal Funds.**

#5 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Strafford County Community Action Committee Inc., Dover, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 9-21-05, item #10, amended on 12-21-05, item #6), by increasing the amount from \$1,441,825 by \$275,245, to an amount not to exceed \$1,717,070. **100% Federal Funds.**

#6 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Southern New Hampshire Services Inc., Manchester, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 9-21-05, item #13, amended on 12-21-05, item #9), by increasing the amount from \$4,897,027 by \$955,510, to an amount not to exceed \$5,852,537. **100% Federal Funds.**

#7 Authorized to amend a Fuel Assistance Program agreement with Community Southwestern Community Services Inc., Keene, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 9-21-05, item #14, amended on 12-21-05, item #8), by increasing the amount from \$1,755,475 by \$335,101, to an amount not to exceed \$2,090,576. **100% Federal Funds.**

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#8 Authorized Roy P. Hunter, Londonderry, NH, be confirmed to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.

#9 Authorized David S. Kilian, Epsom, NH, be confirmed to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.

#10 Authorized Renee A. Darling, Deerfield, NH, be confirmed to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.

#11 Authorized John A. Leblanc, Manchester, NH, be confirmed to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#12 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant in the amount of \$730,000,000 to cover expenditures for the month of February 2006. (2)Further Authorized a Working Capital Warrant reporting expenditures of \$540,636,879.01 for the month of December and recommends the balance of \$89,363,120.99 be lapsed.

#13 Authorized to accept and place on file the list of agency transfers Authorized for Fiscal Year 2006 during the month of December.

#14 Authorized the permanent assignment of an Administrative Services vehicle to the Director of the Bureau of Court Facilities.

#15 Authorized the Division of Plant and Property Management to enter into a contract with US Cellular Corporation of Bedford, NH, for Wireless Cellular Services, for a maximum price of \$2,500,000. Effective February 18, 2006 through February 18, 2009.

#16 Authorized the Division of Plant and Property Management to enter into a contract with Nextel Communications of the Mid-Atlantic of Bethesda, MD, for Wireless Cellular Services, for a maximum price of \$2,500,000. Effective February 18, 2006 through February 18, 2009.

#17 Authorized the Division of Plant and Property Management to enter into a contract with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless of Bedminster, NJ, for Wireless Cellular Services, for a maximum price of \$2,500,000. Effective February 18, 2006 through February 18, 2009.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#18 Authorized Division of Animal Industry to amend G&C item #23 of the 11-2-05 meeting, by reallocating funds in the amount of \$16,985 from Class 050 and establishing Class 045 for the best use of funds for the remaining spending authority. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#19 Authorized Division of Animal Industry to accept and expend grant funds from the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service in the amount of \$5,000 to be used to provide financial assistance to the State for Scrapie Disease surveillance, flock certification, education for flock owners and veterinarians, and supporting the fairs in maintaining isolation pens and education to maintain a Scrapie Disease free environment. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#20 Authorized Division of Animal Industry to accept and expend grant funds from the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service in the amount of \$29,000 to be used to provide financial assistance to the state for a Foot and Mouth Disease Swine Feeder Program. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

#21 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wieczorek, seconded by Councilor Burton authorized the request to issue a warrant from funds not otherwise appropriated and the State Treasurer to issue checks in the amount of \$43,950.46 to the rightful owners of abandoned or unclaimed funds.

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY RESOURCE COMMISSION

#22 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Burton, seconded by Councilor Spaulding and with Councilor Pignatelli voting **no**, authorized the request to enter into a **retroactive sole source** agreement with the Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Charlestown, NH, to hire the equivalent of one full time staff person, in the amount of \$39,285. Effective July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. **100% General Funds.**

ATTORNEY GENERAL

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#23 Authorized to appoint Stephen G. LaBonte as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$45,547. Mr. LaBonte will be occupying a position with a five year term that expires May 21, 2008.

#24 Authorized to appoint Anthony I. Blenkinsop as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$58,000. Mr. Blenkinsop will be occupying a position with a five year term that expires December 6, 2010.

#25 Authorized to reappoint Kim K. Fallon as a Forensic Investigator for a five year term effective **retroactive** to January 24, 2006 through January 24, 2011.

#26 **TABLED** – The Governor and Councilor on motion of Councilor Spaulding, seconded by Councilor Wieczorek and with Councilor Pignatelli voting **no**, voted to **table** the petition of Dale Frederick Gardner requesting a pardon hearing for the offense of Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault. The petitioner is not eligible for an annulment.

PARI-MUTUEL COMMISSION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#27 Authorized to revise the salaries of its Commission Veterinarians; Greyhound, Harness and Thoroughbred appointed to serve at the various racetracks as detailed in letter dated January 6, 2006. The amounts coincide with the 2% pay increases that other State Employees will receive effective January 6, 2006 and July 7, 2006.

#28 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** janitorial service contract with Kang Company Inc., Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$8,140. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **92% General, 8% Other Funds.**

LIQUOR COMMISSION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#29 Authorized to assign vehicles to the individuals as detailed in letter dated January 4, 2006, on a 24-hour, 7 days per week basis. Effective upon G&C approval.

#30 Authorized an exemption to NH Purchasing Rules to enable the Liquor Commission to increase its fleet by six vehicles.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#31 Authorized to temporarily extend one Grants Program Coordinator position #8T070, salary grade 23 through March 1, 2007. **100% Federal Funds.**

#32 Authorized to temporarily extend one Program Specialist I position #8T069, salary grade 19, through February 9, 2007. **100% Federal Funds.**

#33 Authorized to extend a lease agreement with Key Road Associates (previously approved by G&C on 4-21-04, item #30), for rental of 4,800 square feet of office space located in Keene for an additional term beginning February 1, 2006 through January 31, 2009, for a total cost of \$156,960. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#33A Authorized to accept donations for the period of October 2005 through December 2005 with a total value of \$2,132.57.

#34 Authorized with Councilor Pignatelli voting **no**, a **retroactive** approval in concurrence with the decision of the Director of Personnel dated August 18, 2005 to continue the 20% salary enhancement for position #19851 Chief Pharmacist, labor grade 29 and position #19848, Pharmacist, labor grade 25. Effective September 19, 2005 through September 18, 2007.

#35 Authorized to enter into a contract with A-1 Fire Protection Inc., d/b/a All State Fire Equipment, Windsor, NH, to provide maintenance, inspection, testing, recharging and repair for portable fire extinguisher and range guard systems, in the amount of \$34,176. Effective March 1, 2006 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through February 28, 2008 with an option to renew for one additional period of up to two years upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#36 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Association of US Delegates to the Gulf of Maine Council, South Portland, ME, to analyze mussel samples from NH's estuaries for toxic contaminants in the amount of \$9,773. Effective upon G&C approval December 31, 2006. (2)Further Authorized to award an advance payment in the amount of \$9,773 to the Association of US Delegates to the Gulf of Maine Council in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

#37 Authorized an Original Loan agreement with the City of Rochester, NH, to finance water system improvements in the amount of \$560,000. Effective upon G&C approval. **83% Federal, 17% General Funds.**

#38 Authorized to accept and place on file the 2005 Annual Report of the Water Council.

#39 Authorized to enter into a cooperative project agreement with the University of NH, Office of sponsored Research, Durham, NH, for the Great Bay Coast Watch Storm Event Sampling at Berry's Brook in the amount of \$3,780. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#40 Authorized to enter into a cooperative project agreement with the University of NH, Office of Sponsored Research, Durham, NH, for the Pollution Source Identification Study of Berry's Brook in the amount of \$20,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#41 Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Town of Exeter, NH, to conduct water resources improvements projects in the amount of \$23,445. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% Federal Funds.**

NH FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#42 Authorized to amend G&C item #52 from the 8-18-04 meeting, by reallocating funds in the amount of \$499,998 for the best use of remaining spending authority. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2012. **100% Federal Funds.**

#43 Authorized to enter into a contract with Holmes Lewis Inc., Concord, NH, for media placement services in the amount of \$60,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% Fish and Game Funds.**

#44 Authorized to enter into a contract with Glen Group Inc., North Conway, NH, to redesign and update an existing website for the *hikeSafe* educational initiative in the amount of \$16,407.40. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% Other Funds.**

#45 Authorized to amend a Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of NH, (previously approved by G&C on 1-7-04, tabled item #54), for the purpose of researching marsh bird species of concern by extending the term of the contract from January 31, 2006 to June 30, 2006.

#46 Authorized to amend a contract with Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, LLC of Bedford, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 5-18-05, item #35), to provide environmental consulting and engineering services for boat access projects, by increasing in the amount of \$50,000 for a total contract of \$350,000.

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#47 Authorized Design, Development, and Maintenance to amend a **sole source** contract with Dufresne-Henry Inc., Manchester, NH, to provide additional design and construction management services for the electrical transmission line to the summit of Mt. Washington by increasing the amount by \$51,500 from \$422,100 to \$473,600.

#48 Authorized Division of Forests and Lands to enter into an agreement on a **sole source** basis with The Nature Conservancy to undertake management measures and outreach activities to maintain and promote protection of NH's native plant species and natural plant communities for a total of \$182,000. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2007. **100% Other Funds.**

#49 Authorized Division of Travel and Tourism Development to award grants under the Joint Promotional Program as detailed in letter dated January 26, 2006. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

#50 Authorized to accept and place on file the Park Revenue and Expenditures including Cannon Mountain Ski area, for fiscal year 2005.

OFFICE OF LICENSED ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

#51 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Burton, seconded by Councilor Spaulding authorized the request to enter into a contract with H&C Commercial Cleaning, Concord, NH, for janitorial services. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2007. **99% General, 1% Other Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

Office of the Commissioner

#52 Authorized to grant an annual salary increment to Mary P. Castelli, Senior Division Director, salary group JJ, step 4 (\$92,932) to salary group JJ, step 5 (\$97,822), effective February 11, 2006.

#53 Authorized on behalf of Minority Health to make a single **retroactive** unencumbered payment of \$8,197 to Southern NH Services Incorporated, Manchester, NH, to pay for translation and interpretation services to adults and children served by the Department during the period October 1, 2005 through December 6, 2005. Effective upon G&C approval. **50% Federal, 50% General Funds.**

#54 Authorized Office of Medicaid to make an unencumbered payment to the New England States' Consortium Systems Organization Shrewsbury, MA, to provide Medicaid technical support services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% General Funds.**

Glencliff Home for Elderly

#55 Authorized to accept a monetary donation from Episcopal Churchwomen, Church of the Messiah, Woodstock, NH, in the amount of \$200, and deposit same into the Patient's Welfare Fund.

Division of Public Health Services

#56 Authorized Bureau of Community Health Services, Rural Health and Primary Care Section to enter into an agreement totaling \$20,000 with Glen Adams, DO, Lancaster, NH, to provide services through the physician loan repayment program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% General Funds.**

#57 Authorized with Councilor Pignatelli voting **no**, the Bureau of Community Health Services, STD/HIV Prevention Section to enter into an agreement totaling \$43,260 with The UJIMA Collective, Manchester, NH, to provide Human Immunodeficiency Virus prevention services. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#58 Authorized Bureau of Community Health Services, Rural Health and Primary Care Section to enter into an agreement totaling \$20,000 with John Lloyd, MD, Hebron, NH, to provide services through the physician loan repayment program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2007. **100% General Funds.**

#59 Authorized Maternal and Child Health Section to amend an agreement with Mary Jane Sullivan, Hampton, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 1-26-05, item #55), for technical expertise to the staff of the NH Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program, pediatric audiology diagnostic centers and hospital newborn hearing screening programs, by increasing the price limitation by \$43,000 from \$21,500 to \$64,500 and extending the completion date to December 31, 2007. **100% Federal Funds.**

Division for Children, Youth & Families

#60 Authorized to enter into an agreement with the University System of NH – Granite State College, Concord, NH, for the provision of onsite courses and seminars in management for an amount not to exceed \$45,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2006. **100% Federal Funds.**

#61 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#62 Authorized to pay the Council of Chief State School Officers, Washington, DC, \$25,234 for FY 2006 dues. **100% General Funds.**

#63 Authorized to enter into a contract with Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Inc., Concord, NH, to provide job coaching services in an amount not to exceed \$120,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2007. (2)Further Authorized payment for services rendered and approved in lieu of withholding 25% of the total value of the contract. (3)Further Authorized to make an advance payment in the amount of \$15,000 and quarterly payments based on an itemized estimate of expenditures for the coming payment period for services to be provided under the terms of the contract. **100% Federal Funds.**

#64 Authorized to grant **sole source** funds to the Alliance for Community Supports, Manchester, NH, for \$1,227,457.44, to provide training and service to those who are supporting educationally disabled students who are at risk of school dropout. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2008. (2)Further Authorized unencumbered payment of said grants with internal accounting control. **100% Federal Funds.**

#65 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Kyran Research Associates Inc., Middletown, RI, for maintenance and enhancements to the existing Vocational Rehabilitation case management system in an amount not to exceed \$800,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 30, 2010. (2)Further Authorized payment for services rendered and approved in lieu of withholding at least 25% of the total value of the contract. **100% Federal Funds.**

NH POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

#66 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wieczorek, seconded by Councilor Pignatelli authorized the request to award a \$17,500 grant to Franklin Pierce College for the purpose of granting scholarships to NH residents who have completed their freshman year and who will be selected for scholarships by the college on the basis of financial need or merit. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2006. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#67 Authorized Division of Fire Standards and Training and EMS to reclassify vacant position #41979 from a Building Service Worker II, labor grade 5, to a Maintenance Mechanic I, labor grade 8. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Fire & EMS Funds.**

#68 Authorized Division of Motor Vehicles to accept and expend a \$12,089 grant entitled "DMV School Bus Enforcement" from the NH Highway Safety Agency. Effective upon G&C approval through September 15, 2006.

#69 Authorized Division of Motor Vehicles to accept and expend a \$25,906.20 grant entitled "DMV Commercial Vehicle Enforcement" from the NH Highway Safety Agency. Effective upon G&C approval through September 15, 2006.

#70 Authorized Division of Motor Vehicles to enter into a contract not to exceed \$32,500 with Alltex Uniform Rental Services Inc., Manchester, NH, to provide customer entrance mats for the satellite DMV offices every other week May through December and weekly from December through April. Effective February 1, 2006 through January 31, 2011.

#71 Authorized Division of State Police to amend a contract with Port City Air Inc., Portsmouth, NH, (previously approved by G&C on 12-21-05, item #95), for scheduled engine and propeller overhaul of the State Police Cessna 182Q aircraft, by extending the end date from January 31, 2006 to June 30, 2006.

#72 Authorized the application permit of Red Fox Village Property Owners Association located on Newfound Lake in Bristol, NH, for a congregate mooring field, for a total of 30 moorings.

#73 Authorized the application permit of Blueberry Shores at Newfound LLC located on Newfound Lake in Bristol, NH, for a congregate mooring field, for a total of 48 moorings.

#74 Authorized the application permit of Eastern Shores Condominium Association located on Lake Winnepesaukee in Laconia, NH, for a congregate mooring field, for a total of 13 moorings.

#75 Authorized the application permit of Southerlee Shores Association located on Lake Winnepesaukee in Moultonborough, NH, for a congregate mooring field, for a total of 12 moorings.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#76 Authorized to accept and place on file the Annual Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

#77 Authorized to accept and place on file the Equipment Acquisition Plan status reports for the period ending November 30, 2005 and December 31, 2005.

#78 Authorized to enter into a contract with the University of NH to delineate duties and responsibilities for the reconstruction of Main Street including bicycle/pedestrian safety improvements, construction of transit pull-outs, lighting improvements and landscaping in the Town of Durham.

#79 Authorized with Councilor Wieczorek and Councilor Pignatelli voting **no**, the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with R.S. Audley, Inc., Bow, NH, and with E.D. Swett, Inc., Concord, NH, and with Winterset Corporation of Lyndonville, VT, to provide engineering services for the Hanover 13935 Design-Build bridge replacement project in the total amount of \$45,000. Effective upon G&C approval through March 9, 2006. **100% Highway Funds.**

#80 Authorized Bureau of Right of Way to enter into contracts with nineteen appraisal firms to prepare appraisals for property needed for transportation projects for a total cost not to exceed \$3,000,000. Effective upon G&C approval through January 11, 2009.

#81 Authorized Bureau of Right of Way to quitclaim to the NH Fish and Game Department whatever interest the Department of Transportation may have in a 0.57 acre parcel of State owned land located in the Town of Hampton. (2)Further Authorized to accept a transfer of a 0.57 acre parcel of land in the Town of Hampton, NH, from the Department of Transportation, at no cost to the NH Fish and Game Department. Effective upon G&C approval.

#82 Authorized Bureau of Right of Way to grant Unitil Energy System and Verizon New England Inc an easement to install and maintain utility services connections at the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Mechanical Services in Concord.

#83 Authorized Bureau of Right of Way to grant to the Town of Conway an easement for a recreational trail over a parcel of land owned by the State of NH located in the Town of Conway.

#84 Authorized Bureau of Highway Maintenance (Well Section) to enter into a contract with L.G. Cushing & Sons Inc., Walpole, NH, for the construction of a drilled well and pump on the property of Gilbert Sutcliffe, Plymouth, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$27,612. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2006. **100% Highway Funds.**

#85 Authorized Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with R.J. Olszak Construction Inc., d/b/a All-Ways Wrecking, Bridgewater, NH, for building demolitions on US Route 302 on the basis of a low bid of \$45,097.50. Effective upon G&C approval through June 2, 2006. **80% Federal, 20% Highway Funds.**

#86 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Right of Way's Contemplated Award List for the period of December 24, 2005 through January 5, 2006.

#87 Authorized Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with R.J. Olszak Construction Inc., d/b/a All-Ways Wrecking, Bridgewater, NH, for building demolitions on NH 16, Skimobile Road, on the basis of a low bid of \$110,467.50. Effective upon G&C approval through June 2, 2006. **80% Federal, 20% Highway Funds.**

#88

TUITION REQUESTS

The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Burton, seconded by Councilor Wieczorek, Authorized the requests:

- A. COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE** - Request permission to pay Lesley University, Cambridge, MA, the sum of \$1,350.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Christopher Crowley, Technical Support Specialist, in the on-line course entitled "Educational Uses of Systems Thinking, Models and Simulations".
- B. CORRECTIONS** - Request permission to pay Franklin Pierce College, Concord, NH, the sum of \$1,374.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Gary Arceci, Financial Manager, in the course entitled "Managerial Accounting".
- C. CORRECTIONS** - Request permission to pay The Peterson School, Woburn, MA, the sum of \$800.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Andre Boudreau, Plant Maintenance Engineer I, in the course entitled "Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration".
- D. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Office of Business Operations** - Request permission to pay New England College, Henniker, NH, the sum of \$1,145.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Shanthi Venkatesan, Administrator III, in the course entitled "Professional and Organizational Ethics".

Requested Tuition Total - \$4,669.00

#89

TRAVEL REQUESTS

The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Wieczorek, seconded by Councilor Burton, Authorized the requests:

- A. EDUCATION** - Request permission for (1) employee, Rosemary Prescott, Program Coordinator of the Sight Services for Independent Living Program, or designee, to travel to Atlanta, GA on February 7 - 10, 2006, to attend the Creating Roads to Independence for Persons Aging with Hearing and Vision Loss Conference. ALSO A CASH ADVANCE OF \$585.84 IS REQUESTED FOR Rosemary Prescott. Total Cost: \$1,198.74. Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds. Registration Fee: \$150.00.

LATE ITEMS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Family Assistance

- A. Authorized to enter into an agreement with Southern New Hampshire Services, Manchester, NH, to provide job retention and support services in an amount not to exceed \$516,042.40 from December 1, 2005, or the date of Governor and Council approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2007. **100% Federal Funds**

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- B. Authorized an annual step increase for Joanne Ruel from Group AA, Step 4 to Group AA, Step 5 effective January 30, 2006.

NH COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM: Tuition Request

- C. Authorized to pay Hewlett-Packard Education, Littleton, MA, the sum of \$3,000.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Larry Griswold, Technical Support Specialist, in the course entitled HP-UX System and Network Administration

NH COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM: Tuition Request

- D. Authorized to pay Hewlett-Packard Education, Littleton, MA, the sum of \$3,000.00 for the sole purpose of enrolling Rhoda Sullivan, System Development Specialist, in the course entitled HP-UX System and Network Administration

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

- E. Authorized to transfer \$186,666.00 from the Highway Surplus account to the Division of Motor Vehicles, Certificate of Title, and further to approve the establishment of four full-time temporary, Data Control Clerk IIIs, through June 30, 2007. **Fiscal Committee Approved**

OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING

- F. Authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$3,116,822.95 from the US Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) through September 30, 2007. **Fiscal Committee Approved**

Next Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then Adjourned