

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
Richards Elementary School, Newport, New Hampshire
November 4, 2015 10:00 a.m.

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

Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Prayer by Reverend Alice Roberts of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany of Newport
- Pledge of Allegiance led by a Richards School 3rd Grade Class
- Welcome by SAU 43 Superintendent Dr. Cynthia Gallagher
- Music by the Newport High School Band and Chorus
- Commendation for Ella Casey
- Commendation for Cathy Merrill
- Commendation for Riley Jo Busby
- Citations for Matt Goodier, and Lisa Minickiello from the Plymouth Senior Center

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Pappas, accepted the minutes of October 21, 2015.

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, accepted the non-public session minutes of October 21, 2015.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Pappas, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the October 21, 2015 meeting.

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

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The Governor read the following:

PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE OF THE COUNCIL AS SET FORTH IN PART 2, ARTICLE 50 OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSTITUTION, I ASK FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THIS PROCLAMATION DECLARING A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE. THE PROCLAMATION WILL AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL COURT TO CONVENE IN A SPECIAL SESSION ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015 TO CONSIDER LEGISLATION TO STRENGTHEN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE'S ONGOING EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE STATEWIDE HEROIN AND OPIOID EPIDEMIC, WHICH HAS ALREADY TAKEN THE LIVES OF AN ESTIMATED 258 INDIVIDUALS IN 2015 AND IS STRAINING THE RESOURCES OF OUR FAMILIES, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, FIREFIGHTERS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL WORKERS, JUDICIAL AND HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS.

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Van Ostern, seconded by Councilor Pappas, and with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, voted to approve the request to hold a Special Legislative Session on November 18, 2015 as indicated in the following Proclamation:

A Proclamation
By Her Excellency Margaret Wood Hassan, Governor
With the Advice of the Honorable Executive Council
November 4, 2015

WHEREAS, the welfare of the people of the State of New Hampshire require the convening of the General Court for the purpose of enacting legislation to strengthen the State of New Hampshire's ongoing efforts to address the statewide heroin and opioid epidemic, which has already taken the lives of an estimated 258 people in 2015 and is straining the resources of our families, law enforcement officials, firefighters, emergency medical workers, and judicial and healthcare systems.

WHEREAS, the Executive Department in calling such a session intends an agenda limited to passing comprehensive legislation to address the heroin and opioid epidemic, including:

- (1) Ensuring that laws and penalties for the distribution and sale of fentanyl, the major cause of overdose death in 2015, match those for the sale and distribution of heroin;
- (2) Streamlining access to treatment by requiring all insurance companies to use the same evaluation criteria and removing prior authorization requirements in certain cases;
- (3) Requiring the boards governing all prescribers to update their rules by April 1 to ensure that patients and providers are warned adequately about the dangers of opioids, that providers are required to follow best prescribing practices, and that prescribers receive appropriate medical education in the best practices on prescribing opioids and pain management;
- (4) Mandating greater use by prescribers of the state's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and upgrading its technology to ensure that more prescribers can use it in a timely fashion;
- (5) Providing for a statewide drug court program; and
- (6) Appropriating dollars for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017 to support comprehensive law enforcement, prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts related to substance abuse.

NOW THEREFORE, the Governor, with the advice of the Council, on a motion duly seconded, hereby exercise their executive legislative authority under Part 2, Article 50 of the New Hampshire Constitution and summon the General Court to convene in Special Session on Wednesday, November 18, 2015.



Margaret Wood Hassan
Governor Margaret Wood Hassan

November 4, 2015
Date

RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations:

Commissioner of the Banking Department

Glenn A. Perlow, Concord

Effective: January 1, 2016

Current Use Advisory Board

(Assessing Official from a Town with More Than 5,000 population)

Scott W. Bartlett, Manchester

Effective: December 24, 2015

Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Transportation

Patrick K. McKenna, Gilford

Effective: December 4, 2015

CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Deputy Adjutant General - RSA 110-B:8-b

Warren M. Perry, Bow
Succeeding: Carolyn J. Protzmann, South Berwick (retired)
Salary: Grade GG; maximum step -\$96,149.84

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: July 15, 2018

State Committee on Aging - RSA 161-F

(Carroll County)
Norma J. Brettell, Glen
Succeeding: Katherine C. Cauble, Freedom (resigned)

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: June 24, 2016

Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery - RSA 12-J

(Drug Abuse Treatment)
Monica L. Edgar, Meredith
Reappointment

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: September 20, 2018

Justice of the Circuit Court - RSA 490-F

Susan W. Ashley, Rochester
Vacancy

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: until 70 years of age

Justice of the Circuit Court - RSA 490-F

Michael H. Garner, Laconia
Vacancy

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: until 70 years of age

Per Diem Justice of the Circuit Court - RSA 490-F – **Councilor Wheeler voted no.**

Kimberly A. Chabot, Hooksett
Vacancy

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: until 70 years of age

Per Diem Justice of the Circuit Court - RSA 490-F – **Councilor Wheeler voted no.**

Barbara A. M. Maloney, Auburn
Vacancy

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: until 70 years of age

Compensation Appeals Board - RSA 281-A:42

(Attorney)
Timothy S. Wheelock, Portsmouth
Reappointment

Effective: November 15, 2015
Term: November 15, 2018

Dental Hygienists Committee - RSA 317-A

(Nom. By the Dental Hygienists' Association)
Mary Duquette, Hopkinton
Reappointment

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: September 28, 2018

Electricians Board - RSA 319-C

(Public Member)
Jack Grube, Londonderry
Succeeding: Patricia A. Tormey, Derry (resigned)

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: August 26, 2016

Genetic Counselors Governing Board - RSA 326-K & 328-F:4, X

(Genetic Counselor)
Katarzyna J. Bloch, Lebanon
Reappointment

Effective: November 6, 2015
Term: November 6, 2017

Board of Nursing - RSA 326-B
(Public Member)
Kathleen Ferguson, Windham
Succeeding: Harley G. Featherston, Salem

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: May 10, 2018

Rivers Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483:8
(Representative of Agricultural Community)
Nominated by: NH Farm Bureau, Northeast Organic Farming Assoc., and NH Assoc. of Conservation Districts
Roger F. Noonan, New Boston
Reappointment

Effective: November 4, 2015
Term: March 22, 2018

Justice of the Superior Court - RSA 491:1
Mark E. Howard, Manchester
Vacancy

Effective: January 1, 2016
Term: until 70 years of age

CONFIRMATION FAILED

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Pappas, seconded by Councilor Van Ostern, and with Councilors Kenney, Sununu and Wheeler voting **no**, **failed** to confirm the following:

Justice of the Superior Court - RSA 491:1
Dorothy E. Graham, Manchester
Vacancy

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: until 70 years of age

NOMINATIONS

The Governor placed into nomination the following:

Board of Court Reporters - RSA 310-A:163
Denise Cascio Bolduc, Hooksett
Succeeding: Alix M. Godbout, Center Harbor (term limited)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 3, 2020

Board of Court Reporters - RSA 310-A:163
Susan J. Robidas, Manchester
Vacancy

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 3, 2019

Family Mediator Certification Board - RSA 328-C
(Nom. by NH Conflict Resolution Assoc.)
Candace F. Dochstader, Hollis
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: November 4, 2018

Health Exchange Advisory Board - RSA 420-N
(Representing Employees)
Nancy Clark, Intervale
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 3, 2018

Executive Director of the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Authority - RSA 227-M:6
Dorothy Tripp Taylor, Hopkinton
Reappointment

Effective: December 20, 2015
Term: December 20, 2020

Midwifery Council - RSA 326-D
(Obstetrician)
Carolyn E. Drake, Gilford
Succeeding: Sylvia Horsley, Nashua (term limited)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: September 28, 2019

Board of Psychologists - RSA 329-B:3

(Public Member)

Catherine E. Shanelaris, Merrimack
Succeeding: David B. Goldstein, Auburn (resigned)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: July 1, 2018

New Hampshire Retirement System Board of Trustees - RSA 100-A:14

(Non-Member Trustee)

Hershel D. Sosnoff, Silver Lake
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: November 30, 2017

Volunteer NH Board of Directors - RSA 19-H

(Experience in promoting involvement of adults 55 years of age and older in volunteerism)

Craig T. Saltmarsh, Boscawen
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 10, 2018

Volunteer NH Board of Directors - RSA 19-H

Christine Williams, Bedford
Reappointment

Effective: November 18, 2015
Term: November 18, 2018

CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

#1 **MOP 150, I, B (1): Expenditure Approvals**

STATE TREASURY

#A. Authorized to enter Sylvia Yeaton into an educational tuition agreement with Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, NH, to participate in the course entitled Business Strategy and Ethics during the period of November 9, 2015 through January 23, 2016, and to pay said costs in the amount of \$1,140. **10% General, 90% Other Funds.**

STATE TREASURY

#B Authorized to issue a warrant from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$85,072 and the State Treasurer to issue checks in the amount of \$85,071.76 to the rightful owners of abandoned or unclaimed funds.

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#C. Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to expend \$8,800 for membership dues in the National Association of State Foresters. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2016. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

#D. Authorized the Division of State Police to pay annual membership dues of \$5,300 to the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, Greenbelt, MD, for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. **80% Federal, 20% Highway Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

#E. Authorized to pay the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, Washington, DC, \$12,687.50, 50% of the annual assessment. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Fish and Game Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

#F. Authorized to pay the Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine Northeast Wildlife Disease Cooperative, \$5,000, \$2,500 annually, in annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Other Funds (Game Management Funds).**

#2 **MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances**

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME

#A. Authorized to accept monies totaling \$18,535.59 received during the period of July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015, as a result of fundraising drives from various organizations and from personal contributions.

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME

#B. Authorized to accept non-monetary donations totaling \$5,666 received during the period of July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015, as a result of contributions.

NEW HAMPSHIRE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

#C. Authorized to accept a donation from the US Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration via Maher & Maher in the form of payment for travel-related expenses for two NHES employees to attend the 2015 Short-Time Compensation Summit Washington DC on November 17-18, 2015, with an estimated value of \$3,170.

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings**

NH HEALTH AND EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

#A. Authorized to accept and place on file the Biennial Report for fiscal years 2014 and 2015.

NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

#B. Authorized to accept and place on file the Biennial Report for FY 2014 – FY 2015.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#C. Authorized to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Colin Van Ostern with regard to a certain project in participation with the Concord Christian Academy, Concord, NH.

#4 **MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#A. Authorized to appoint Jeanine M. Girenti as an Attorney at a salary level of \$66,250. Effective upon G&C approval or November 9, 2015, whichever is the latter.

#5 **MOP 150, I, B (5): Other Items**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#A. Authorized to amend an agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc., Manchester, NH and Los Angeles, CA, (originally approved by G&C on 12-3-14, item #36A), to study NH's sixteen state-owned Welcome Information Centers, by extending the completion date from November 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016. No Additional Funding.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#B. Authorized to amend an agreement with the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation Inc., Portsmouth, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 6-19-13, item #178), for the *Hodgson Brook Watershed Restoration Plan Implementation, Phase 3: Holly Lane Retrofit, and Pease Buffer Enhancement Project* by changing the completion date to December 31, 2016 from December 31, 2015. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#C. Authorized to amend an agreement with the City of Dover, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6-5-13, item #135), for the *Berry Brook / Cocheco River Watershed Management Plan Implementation Phase III Project* by changing the completion date to December 31, 2016 from December 31, 2015. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#D. Authorized to amend an agreement with the Lake Winnepesaukee Association, Meredith, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 1-16-13, item #51), for the development of a watershed plan for Lake Waukewan and Lake Winona project by changing the completion date to September 30, 2016 from December 31, 2015. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#E. Authorized to amend an agreement with the City of Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1-11-12, item #43), for the *Nutt Pond Watershed Management Plan Implementation Phase 2: West Inlet & Jewett Street School Best Management Practices* project by changing the completion date to September 30, 2016 from December 31, 2015. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds.**

REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

Bureau of Human Resource Management

#6 Authorized to finalize the determination made by the Commissioner that on September 17, 2015 Melanie Beauchemin, a Registered Nurse at the NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty and due to hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#7 Authorized to finalize the determination made by the Commissioner that on September 5, 2015 Rebecca Crawford, a Registered Nurse III at the NH Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty and due to hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#8 Authorized to make a **retroactive** one-time payment from SFY 2016 funds to Ryleigh McCooles, Mental Health Worker I, NH Hospital, in the amount of \$1,038.52 to compensate for wages that were not paid for SFY 2015. **27% General, 43% Federal Funds.**

Office of Information Services

#9 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Netsmart Technologies Inc., Great River, NY, for electronic health record services, specifically for the implementation of a Pharmacy Management Solution, an Electronic Medication Administration Record, and an Enterprise Content Management solution, for an amount not to exceed \$420,414.76. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2016. **100% Capital Funds.**

Office of Medicaid Business and Policy

#10 Authorized to amend an agreement with the Health Services Advisory Group Inc., Phoenix, AZ (originally approved by G&C on 8-14-13, item #31), for the provision of the calculation of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services quality measures for the Adult Medicaid Quality grant, by increasing the price by \$66,937 from \$1,857,064 to \$1,924,001 with no change to the contract completion date of July 24, 2016. **78.6% Federal, 21.4% General Funds.**

Division of Family Assistance

#11 Authorized to enter into an agreement with the University of NH, Durham, NH, for the provision of nutrition education and obesity prevention services for Food Stamp recipients and other low-income individuals who are eligible to receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or benefits from other means-tested Federal assistance programs, in an amount not to exceed \$2,048,434. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

Division for Children, Youth and Families

#12 Authorized to enter into an agreement with Sarah Fox, Sanbornton, NH, for the provision of educational consultation and advocacy services in an amount not to exceed \$312,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Other Funds.**

#13 Authorized to exercise a renewal option and amend an agreement with Bethany Christian Services of New England, Candia, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1-27-14, item #32-A), for the provision of a community and Faith Based Initiative to Support Resource and Adoptive Families, by increasing the price by \$100,000 from \$100,000 to an amount not to exceed \$200,000, and by extending the completion date from December 30, 2015 to December 31, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

Division of Public Health Services

#14 Authorized the Bureau of Laboratory Services to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$1,038,641 from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund the NH Biomonitoring Program. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. (2)Further authorized to create five positions utilizing funds from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Biomonitoring Cooperative Agreement. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#15 Authorized to add to a list of licensed medical providers, with the ability to expand to include additional licensed medical providers to provide necessary outpatient visits, labs, and diagnostic tests, and outpatient procedures for clients enrolled in the NH Ryan White CARE program. No maximum client or service volume is guaranteed. Accordingly, the price limitation among all agreements is \$100,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Other Funds.**

#16 Authorized the Bureau of Population Health and Community Services, Oral Health Program, to exercise a renewal option and enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an agreement with Sullivan County Oral Health Collaborative Inc., Claremont, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7-10-13, item #48), to provide access to preventive and reparative oral health treatment for individuals participating in the statewide community and school based oral health program, by increasing the price by \$47,896 from \$47,896 to \$95,792, and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2017. **44.7% Federal, 55.3% General Funds.**

Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services

#17 Authorized to accept and expend Treatment Drug Court federal funds from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in the amount of \$324,997. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **Fiscal Committee approved.**

#18 Authorized to accept and expend NH Partnerships for Success Initiative federal funds from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in the amount of \$2,231,951. Effective upon G&C approval through September 29, 2016. **Fiscal Committee approved.**

New Hampshire Hospital

#19 Authorized to accept and expend \$75,000 in additional trust fund proceeds for the purpose of increasing support of indigent patients, acquiring hospital grade patient furniture. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016.

Glencliff Home

#20 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** agreement with Amy Tuller, Norwich, VT, for the provision of Registered Dietitian Services for the residents at the Glencliff Home, in an amount not to exceed \$78,200. Effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#21 Authorized the Bureau of Finance and Contracts' report of all paid Small Claims in the previous first quarter of FY 2016 totaling \$1,354.30 for individual amounts less than \$600. (2)Further authorized to pay small claims for the next Fiscal Year quarter, October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. **100% Highway Funds.**

#22 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay property owners \$11,383.30 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from September 10, 2015 through September 23, 2015.

#23 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Construction's quarterly basis summary of active projects that may require contingency use for the period through October 1, 2015.

#24 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Right of Way's Contemplated Award List for amounts less than \$5,000 for the sum total of \$84,860.47 for the period extending from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015.

#25 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance, Well Section, to enter into a contract with Tasker Well Company Inc., Northwood, NH, for a 6-inch drilled well and pump on the property of the Northwood Fire Department, Northwood, NH, in the amount of \$20,800. Effective upon G&C approval through June 24, 2016. **100% Highway Funds.**

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to award a grant to the Pease Development Authority to design, permit and bid the rehabilitation and expansion of taxiways and the associated drainage system at the Skyhaven Airport, in the amount of \$123,105.22. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2019. **90% Federal, 5% General, 5% Local Funds.**

#27 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Beck & Bellucci Inc., Franklin, NH, for bridge rehabilitation work on the bridges carrying I-89 NB and SB over Hardy Hill Road in the City of Lebanon, on the basis of a low bid of \$2,840,636.50. (2)Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$142,031.83 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 22, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

#28 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Pappas, and with Councilor Van Ostern recusing himself, Authorized to award a grant to the City of Lebanon, NH, in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of providing funds to The Community College System of NH – River Valley Community College to support its renovation project at 15 Hanover Street, Lebanon, NH. Effective November 4, 2015 through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING

#29 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Van Ostern, seconded by Councilor Pappas, Authorized to **retroactively** amend item #3, originally approved by G&C on January 15, 2014, by extending the performance period of the Clean Energy States Alliance – New England Solar Cost-Reduction Partnership. Effective from the original end date of June 30, 2015 to March 31, 2016. No Additional Funding. **100% Other Funds (US Department of Energy through CESA). Fiscal Committee approved.**

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#30 Authorized to place Ms. Debra Piaseczny at Step 4 of unclassified salary grade DD (NH First equivalent Step 5) earning \$74,721.50 annually, for the position of Field Audit Leader. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

#31 Authorized to place Mr. Robert Labrecque at the maximum step of unclassified salary grade DD (NH First equivalent Step 6) earning \$78,591.34 annually, for the position of Field Audit Leader. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

#32 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Sununu, seconded by Councilor Van Ostern, Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Cheshire Conservation District, Walpole, NH, to create and conduct a program to help expand farmer access to wholesale markets in and around Cheshire County, in the amount of \$36,041. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds – Specialty Crop Block Grant.**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#33 Authorized to purchase a refurbished M&R Renegade 4056 Flatbed Screen Printer not to exceed \$24,020. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Other Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#34 Authorized an annual step increase for Christopher Kench, Director of Security & Training, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$4,748.59 to a new annual salary of \$96,149.85 from \$91,401.26. Effective upon G&C approval.

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIQUOR COMMISSION

#35 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Sununu, seconded by Councilor Pappas, Authorized a one-time prior year step increase from FY 2015 for Christine Keefe, Regional Store Supervisor in the amount of \$1,201.38. Effective **retroactive** to December 28, 2014 through June 30, 2015. **100% Liquor Funds.**

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#36 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Pappas, seconded by Councilor Kenney, Authorized to enter into a contract with The Liberty Group, Quentin, PA, for the conduct of a management and operations audit of EnergyNorth Natural Gas d/b/a Liberty Utilities, in an amount not to exceed \$299,940. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Utility Assessment Funds.**

OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

#37 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Sununu, Authorized to enter into a contract with Scott J. Rubin, Bloomsburg, PA, to provide expert testimony, Litigation assistance, and other services related to representing the interests of residential utility customers in dockets at the NH Public Utilities Commission, in an amount not to exceed \$21,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Public Utility Assessment Funds.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#38 Authorized to accept and expend \$595,800 in federal funds from the US Fish and Wildlife Service for the purpose of acquiring 410+/- acres in Brookfield, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#39 Authorized to accept and expend \$174,570 in federal funds from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for the purpose of replacing the boardwalk at the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Discovery Center. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2016. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#40 Authorized to transfer \$315,660 of unexpended funds from Excess Registration Fees, to the Fish and Game OHRV Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget. **Fiscal Committee approved.**

#41 Authorized to acquire fee title to 410+/- acres in Brookfield, NH from the Law Office of Mark R. Dunn on behalf of Charles P. and Ann Marie Robbins in the amount of \$525,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2015. **100% Federal Funds.**

#42 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#43 Authorized to accept and expend \$12,437 from the US Geological Survey for outlining the State of NH's water use data improvement priorities. Effective upon G&C approval through September 14, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

#44 Authorized to **retroactively** pay 2016 membership dues to the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$5,500. Effective October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. **82% Federal (CERCLA & Brownfields), 18% Oil Pollution Control Funds.**

#45 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with the entities as detailed in letter dated September 25, 2015, totaling \$24,006 to fund Household Hazardous Waste collections. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Hazardous Waste Cleanup Funds.**

#46 Authorized to enter into **sole source** contracts with the entities as detailed in letter dated September 22, 2015, in the amount of \$37,818 for surficial and bedrock geologic mapping services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 15, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

#47 Authorized The Lyon King Realty Trust's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Wolfeboro.

#48 Authorized Paul & Shelley Polewarczyk's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Gilford.

#49 Authorized Iannazzi Family Realty Trust's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Gilford.

#50 Authorized Leo & Cheryl Goyette's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#51 Authorized the Division of Career Technology and Adult Learning, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into an agreement with the Governor's Commission on Disability, Concord, NH, to house the Statewide Independent Living Council, in an amount not to exceed \$78,075. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

#51A Authorized the Division of Higher Education to **retroactively** pay the annual membership dues to the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, in the amount of \$4,035. Effective upon G&C approval. **54% General, 46% Other Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#52 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept \$165,714 of federal funds from the NH Highway Safety Agency entitled NH State Police Captain Position for the purpose of hiring a State Police Captain. (2)Further authorized to establish one temporary full-time State Police Captain (LG 29, S416E) to be assigned in the Highway Safety Agency in an effort to assist and effectively plan, manage, and provide oversight of Highway Safety projects and activities. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2016. **100% Agency Income. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#53 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to accept and expend Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for DR-4026 T.S Irene, DR-4095 Hurricane Sandy, and DR-4105 February Snowstorm in the amount of \$1,200,143 for the implementation of cost-effective mitigation projects. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#54 Authorized the Division of State Police to **retroactively** pay annual membership dues in the amount of \$6,000 to the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators Inc., Lexington, KY. Effective October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

#55 Authorized the Division of State Police to **retroactively** pay annual dues of \$6,500 to SEARCH Group Inc., the National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics, Sacramento, CA. Effective October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. **100% Revolving Funds.**

#56 Authorized the Division of Safety to **retroactively** pay Ronald Anstey Jr., the amount of \$1,123.31 for increment pay during SFY 2015 with SFY 2016 funds. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Revolving Funds.**

#57 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a contract with TMDE Calibration Labs Inc., Richmond, ME, for the repair and certification of Stalker radar units, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016, with the option to renew for one additional year through June 30, 2017. **44% General, 33% Highway, 23% Turnpike Funds.**

#58 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a contract with the NH Association of Broadcasters, Manchester, NH, for non-commercial sustaining announcements on emergency management and preparedness for an amount of \$52,500. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **66% Private and Local, 32% Federal, 1.5% Agency Income Funds.**

#59 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to **retroactively** enter into a grant agreement with the City of Rochester, for the purchase of approved emergency management tablets, software and user fees for a total amount of \$9,335. Effective August 28, 2015 through September 30, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

#60 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Thornton for the purchase and installation of equipment upgrades to enhance and harden the local Emergency Operations Center for a total amount of \$107,692. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

#61 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Lancaster for the purchase and installation of communications and monitoring equipment for a regional communications project for a total amount of \$45,205. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2016. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#62 Authorized to accept and expend a sum not to exceed \$600,000 from funds not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of covering projected shortfalls in the general litigation expenses incurred in the defense of the State and the prosecution of criminal law. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% General Funds. Fiscal Committee approved.**

#63 Authorized to accept and expend additional grant funds of \$5,940,633 from the Federal Fiscal Year 2015 US Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime to support services for victims of crime and to provide training and resources to public and non-profit agencies providing victim services. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

#64 Authorized to accept and expend a \$1,000 stipend from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Boston, MA, for a student interning in the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Agency Income.**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council acted as follows:

#65 Authorized to accept and place on file the October 2015 quarterly report of the project to construct a new Marine Patrol facility in Gilford, NH (approved by G&C on 1-1-15, item #37).

#66 Authorized to accept and place on file the report of all vehicles which have non-business use exceeding 20% for Fiscal Year 2015.

#67 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant in the amount of \$700,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month of December 2015.

#68 Authorized with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, the Bureau of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with Ackroyd Engineering LLC, Manchester, NH, for Electrical Engineering Services required for planning, design, and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2018.

#69 Authorized with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, the Bureau of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with Lee F. Carroll, Gorham, NH, for electrical engineering services required for planning, design and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2018.

#70 Authorized with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, the Bureau of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with Yeaton Associates Inc., Littleton, NH, for electrical engineering services required for planning, design and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2018.

#71 Authorized the Division of Personnel's request for waiver of classification decisions.

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LATE ITEM

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A. Authorized with Councilor Sununu recusing himself, the Division of Parks and Recreation enter into a contract with Kingsbury Companies, Waitsfield, VT in the amount of \$147,000 for paving of the Echo Lake Parking Lot upon approval of Governor and Council through November 25, 2015. **82% Capital Funds and 18% Park Fund.**

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The Next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 18, 2015, at the State House, Concord, New Hampshire.

Honorable Board then Adjourned at 12:40 p.m.