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Executive Council

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TO: All Fourth District Cities and Towns **FROM:** Executive Councilor Christopher C. Pappas

DATE: November 12, 2014

The Governor and Executive Council met on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, in the Executive Council Chamber at the State House, Concord, NH and considered an agenda of approximately 64 items.

The next scheduled Governor and Executive Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH.

Meeting Notes:

The Executive Council convened this morning at 10 am at the State House. Here's an overview of the Council meeting, focusing on issues with both statewide and District 4 significance:

Nominations

The Governor nominated Victoria Cimino as Director of Travel and Tourism; Dorothy Graham of Manchester to the Executive Branch Ethics Commission; Kathleen Carr of Chichester as Director of Administration at the Department of Justice; William Clutterbuck of Bedford and Arthur Yan of Auburn to the Board of Registration of Medical Technicians; Renee Perreault of Deerfield and Gregory Stephens of Manchester to the Volunteer NH Board of Directors.

Confirmations

The Council confirmed Diane Vaccarello of Bedford to the Board of Mental Health Practice; Calley Milne of Manchester to the Real Estate Commission; and Marie Mullen of Bow as Director of Finance at the Department of Transportation.

Winter Equipment for I-93

The Council approved a transfer of \$1.21 million to purchase new equipment to provide winter maintenance for I-93. The 17 new trucks are needed to replace old equipment and provide maintenance on the expanded roadway.

Conway Scenic Railroad

The Council approved a ten year operating agreement with the Conway Scenic Railroad. The agreement allows the company to run trains on the state-owned railway. Ten percent of revenues will go toward maintaining the tracks.

Electric Vehicle Grant

The Council approved an agreement with the Department of Environmental Services to use \$50,000 in federal funds to establish and promote charging stations for electric vehicles around the state. The grant also will encourage greater efficiency for state and municipal vehicles.

Domestic and Sexual Violence Grant

The Council accepted an \$866,000 federal grant from the Office of Violence Against Women which will be used to support a statewide program to support victims, train law enforcement, and improve the response to sexual assaults.

The meeting's complete agenda is available <u>here</u>, along with the minutes and audio recording as well as late items. The next G&C meeting will be held Wednesday, December 3, at 10 am. Stay tuned for future updates, and please don't hesitate to contact me with your thoughts or concerns.

THESE 2 LATE ITEMS WERE ALSO APPROVED:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Human Services, Division of Client services

A. Authorized to enter into an agreement with the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester MA, for the provision of pre-admission screening and resident review, nursing facility level of care and disability determination services in an amount not to exceed \$2,299,635. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2016. **75% Federal Funds/25% General Funds.**

BANKING DEPARTMENT

B. Authorized Department employee, Ms. Denise St. Pierre to receive a \$2,300 Cash Advance to cover anticipated expenses while traveling out of state from December 1, 2014- December 5, 2014 to perform an examination in New York, New York. **100% Other Funds (agency income).**