

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES  
New Hampshire Food Bank, Manchester, NH  
September 6, 2023 10:00 a.m.

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

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Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Councilor Gatsas led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Performance:
  - Cady Hickman performed two songs
- Proclamation:
  - Hunger Action Month

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The following representative elect was sworn into office:

Grafton County District No. 16

David Fracht, d, Enfield (PO Box 1065) 03748

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2023 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Warrington, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the August 23, 2023 meeting.

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

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**RESIGNATIONS**

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations.

Assistant Commissioner, Department of Environmental Services – RSA 21-O:2

Mark Sanborn, Laconia

Effective: October 5, 2023

Fire Standards and Training Commission: - RSA 21-P:26

Kerry LeBlanc, Bedford

Effective: September 6, 2023

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**CONFIRMATIONS**

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Board of Accountancy - RSA 309-B

(Certified Public Accountant)

Edward C. David, Seabrook

Reappointment

Effective: September 6, 2023

Term: November 19, 2028

Business Finance Authority, Board of Directors - RSA 162-A:4

Vikram Mansharamani, Lincoln

Succeeding: Charles F. Withee, Hampton

Effective: November 4, 2023

Term: November 3, 2026

<u>Chief Justice, Superior Court</u> - RSA 491:1 Mark E. Howard, Manchester Succeeding: Tina L. Nadeau, Lee (resigned)	Effective: September 30, 2023 Term: September 30, 2028
<u>Council for Responsible Gambling</u> - RSA 338-B:4 Maura McCann, Concord Reappointment	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: October 2, 2026
<u>Director, Division of State Police, Department of Safety</u> - RSA 21-P Mark B. Hall, Dunbarton Succeeding: Nathan A. Noyes, New Boston (resigned) Salary: LG, II \$127,042	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: March 31, 2026
<u>Judicial Council</u> - RSA 494:1 (Lay Person) Kimberley Casey, East Kingston Reappointment	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: January 1, 2026
<u>Judicial Council</u> - RSA 494:1 (Lay Person) Steven D. Lubrano, Hanover Reappointment	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: January 1, 2026
<u>Judicial Council</u> - RSA 494:1 (Attorney) Philip H. Utter, Exeter Reappointment	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: October 18, 2025
<u>Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court</u> - RSA 490-F Tanya L. Spony, Brookline Vacancy	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: Until 70 Years of Age
<u>New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority, Housing Finance Board</u> - RSA 204-C: 3 (Public Member) Derek Ferland, r, Claremont Succeeding: John A. Cuddy, i, Freedom	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: July 1, 2028
<u>New Hampshire Real Estate Commission</u> - RSA 331-A:5 (Attorney) Suzanne Brunelle, Londonderry Succeeding: Steven F. Hyde, Dover (resigned)	Effective: September 20, 2023 Term: September 15, 2028
<u>Public Water Access Advisory Board</u> - RSA 233-A:2 (Public Member) Lynn Arnold, Sunapee Succeeding: Gary L. Clark, Merrimack	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: October 27, 2024
<u>State Board of Fire Control</u> - RSA 153:2 (Forest Fire Warden) Daniel Defosses, Campton Succeeding: Michael McQuillen, Bristol (Resigned)	Effective: September 6, 2023 Term: September 27, 2024

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### **NOMINATIONS**

The following nominations were submitted:

<u>Assessing Standards Board</u> - RSA 21-J:14-a (Nom. By N.H. Association of Assessing Officials) Emily Goldstein, Northwood Succeeding: David K. Marazoff, Westmoreland	Effective: September 20, 2023 Term: September 19, 2025
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Assessing Standards Board - RSA 21-J:14-a  
(Nom. By N.H. Association of Assessing Officials – Municipal official of town with population greater than 3,000)  
Thomas P. Hughes, Meredith  
Succeeding: Joseph W. Lessard Jr., Salem  
Effective: September 20, 2023  
Term: September 19, 2025

Assessing Standards Board - RSA 21-J:14-a  
(Nom. By N.H. Association of Assessing Officials – assessing official of town with population of less than 3,000)  
Joseph W. Lessard Jr., Salem  
Succeeding: Loren J. Martin, Boscawen  
Effective: September 20, 2023  
Term: September 19, 2025

Assessing Standards Board - RSA 21-J:14-a  
(Nom. By N.H. Association of Assessing Officials – Assessing Official for a City)  
Charles K. Reese, Portsmouth  
Succeeding: Robert J. Gagne, Manchester  
Effective: September 20, 2023  
Term: September 19, 2025

Board of Landscape Architects - RSA 310-A:142  
Katherine A. Weiss, Nashua  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: August 23, 2027

Board of Nursing - RSA 326-B  
(LPN)  
Gabriella Silverstein, Manchester  
Vacancy  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: May 10, 2024

Boxing and Wrestling Commission - RSA 285  
Ryan C. Fennelly, Allenstown  
Vacancy  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: 3 years from confirmation

Community Development Finance Authority - RSA 162-L  
(Small Business & Financial Community)  
Benjamin Gaetjens-Oleson, Lancaster  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: July 1, 2028

Director, Division of Economic Development, Department of Business and Economic Affairs - RSA 12-O:9  
Chase Hagaman, Bow  
Succeeding: Tina Kasim, Northfield  
Salary: LG, GG \$116,031  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: 4 Years from Confirmation

Enhanced 911 Commission - RSA 106-H  
(Rep. of the Professional Firefighters of NH)  
Amanda M. Cormier, Hudson  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: September 16, 2026

Fire Standards and Training Commission - RSA 21-P:26  
(Insurance Industry)  
Wayne Grudzien, Amherst  
Succeeding: Kerry LeBlanc, Bedford (resigned)  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: April 14, 2025

Higher Education Commission - RSA 21-N:8-a  
(Lay Public)  
Kevin M. O'Shea, Madbury  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: June 30, 2028

Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court - RSA 490-F  
Elizabeth Paine, Center Sandwich  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: Until 70 Years of Age

State Board of Fire Control - RSA 153:2  
(Fire Protection Engineer)  
Andrew Cox, Madbury  
Vacancy  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: 5 Years from Confirmation

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**CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

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

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Office of the Commissioner**

- A. Authorized to enter Heather T. Cremmen into an educational tuition agreement with National Judicial College, Reno, NV, to participate in Judicial Writing, from September 18, 2023 to September 21, 2023 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,360. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Office of the Commissioner**

- B. Authorized to enter Christina Lucas into an educational tuition agreement with Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Intervention Strategies, from September 18, 2023 to November 26, 2023 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,425. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Office of the Commissioner**

- C. Authorized to enter Katherine McClure into an educational tuition agreement with National Judicial College, Reno, NV, to participate in Judicial Writing, from September 18, 2023 to September 21, 2023 and to pay costs in the amount of \$760. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

- D. Authorized to enter John Hazen into an educational tuition agreement with Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Organizational Strategy in Global Environment, from September 18, 2023 to November 26, 2023 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,719. **100% Other (Agency Income)**

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

- E. Authorized to enter Brian Oliver into an educational tuition agreement with Excelsior University, Albany, NY, to participate in Tech340 Introduction to Energy Utilization, from October 23, 2023 to December 17, 2023 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,734. **100% Other (Agency Income)**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Division of Public Health**

- F. Authorized to pay the Association of State and Tribal Home Visiting Initiatives, Washington, DC in the amount of \$6,500 for membership dues. Effective for the period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Division of Public Health**

- G. Authorized to pay the Association of Maternal and Child Health Visiting Programs, Washington, DC in the amount of \$7,560 for membership dues. Effective for the period from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. **62.5% Federal Funds, 37.5% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Division of Public Health**

- H. Authorized to pay the National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors, Washington, DC in the amount of \$10,820 for membership dues. Effective for the period from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. **64% Federal Funds, 36% Other Funds (Pharmaceutical Rebates)**

#2 **MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances** – None

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings** – NONE

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

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- A. Authorized the nomination of Captain Jeremy C. Brann, Groveton, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Army National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Army National Guard.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- B. Authorized the nomination of Lieutenant Colonel Barbara L. Jones, Durham, NH, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- C. Authorized the confirmation of Captain Emily A. Hanson, Deerfield, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- D. Authorized the confirmation of Major Randy R. Semrau, Lewes, DE, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

- E. Authorized to appoint Jon-Daniel Lavallee, as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$96,000. Effective upon G&C approval for a term ending July 1, 2028.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

- A. Authorized to amend an existing contract with Broadview Construction Corp, Gilford, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/14/23, Item #128) for the provision of door replacement and repair services at 25 Hall Street, Concord, NH, by extending the end date from September 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024, with no increase to the price limitation. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

- B. Authorized the Bureau of Special Education Support to amend an existing **sole source** contract with Brody, Hardoon, Perkins & Kesten, LLP, Boston, MA (originally approved by G&C on 2/8/23, Item #117) by extending the end date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024, with no increase to the price limitation to provide Title IX training and guidance. Effective upon G&C approval.

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## **REGULAR AGENDA**

#6 NOT USED

#7 NOT USED

#8 NOT USED

### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Office of the Commissioner**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#9 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Victory Women of Vision, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7/31/19, Item #11), for refugee youth mentoring services, by increasing the price limitation by \$79,000 from \$325,000 to \$404,000 and by extending the completion date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#10 Authorized to enter into **sole source** amendments to existing contracts with the Contractors as detailed in the letter dated August 17, 2023 for continuation of legal benefits and services to the citizens or nationals of Afghanistan, by exercising a contract renewal option, by increasing the total price limitation by \$132,372 from \$163,882 to \$296,254 and by extending the completion date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024. Effective October 1, 2023, upon G&C approval, whichever is later. **100% Federal Funds**

### **Office of Health Equity**

#11 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Ascentrai Community Services, Inc, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$251,910 to provide resettlement support and resource assistance to Ukrainian citizens displaced due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024, with the option to renew for up to three additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

### **Division of Public Health**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#12 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund the Strengthening Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention and Control program as part of the American Rescue Plan. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds in the account, as detailed in the letter dated July 18, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on August 11, 2023.**

#13 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Mirion Technologies (Canberra) Inc., Meriden, CT, in the amount of \$174,197 to provide repair and service for the Canberra Radiochemistry Analyzer System. Effective **retroactive** to September 1, 2023, upon G&C approval through August 31, 2026, with the option to renew for up to three additional years. **100% Other Funds (Radiological Emergency Response)**

#14 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with New Hampshire Children's Trust, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #41), to expand Family Resource Center infrastructure that helps NH families through a variety of programs by increasing the price limitation by \$2,625,000 from \$10,579,647 to \$13,204,647, with no change to the completion date of June 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **61.9% Federal Funds, 38.1% General Funds**

### **Division of Economic Stability**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#15 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$473,936, to make changes to the New HEIGHTS system to expand eligibility for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program to include children living with a court appointed guardian. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds in the account as detailed in the letter dated August 14, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through Juen 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on September 14, 2023.**

#16 Authorized the Bureau of Child Support Services to accept and expend federal grant funds from the United States Department of Health and Human Services – Administration for Children and Families in the amount of \$49,119, to administer the Access and Visitation Program. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds in the accounts as detailed in the letter dated August 22, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds**

#17 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with SEED Collective, LLC, Kansas City, MO (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #17), to administer the Opportunities to Succeed grants to licensed and licensed-exempt child care providers in NH to complete recommended facility improvements and operational enhancements, by increasing the price limitation by \$5,250,000 from \$3,543,970 to \$8,793,670 with no change to the contract completion date of September 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#18 Authorized to enter into a contract with Granite United Way, Manchester, NH, in the amount of \$1,500,000 to establish and manage the statewide Child Care Business and Employer Partnership Project designed to support NH based employers and their employees and potential employees, who are seeking access to equitable, affordable and quality child care during both traditional and nontraditional business hours. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#19 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to enter into a contract with Naughton and Son Recycling, LLC, Bradford, NH, on the basis of a sole bid in the amount of \$15,750 for Rubbish Acceptance at the Vendor's Facility delivered by the Bureau of Turnpikes vehicle. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#20 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to enter into a contract with ENE Systems of NH, Inc., Bow, NH on the basis of a low bid in the amount of \$90,925 for HVAC Control System Inspection and Services at facilities maintained by the Bureau of Turnpikes. Effective upon G&C through June 30, 2025. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#21 Authorized the Pease Development Authority Division of Ports and Harbors and NH Department of Transportation to enter into an Interagency Transfer of Management Responsibility Agreement for a 2,707 ± square foot parcel of land on the westerly side of Ocean Boulevard (Route 1A), associated with the Seabrook-Hampton project, as detailed in the letter dated July 26, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

#22 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to transfer funds in the amount of \$102,880 from the Turnpike General Reserve Account to budget and expend revenue for Armored Car Services at Turnpike's Toll Plaza and E-ZPass Walk-in-Center locations. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. (2) Further authorized to enter into a contract with Louis Armored US, LLC, Londonderry, NH on the basis of a sole bid in the amount of \$205,761.60 for Armored Car Services for the Bureau of Turnpikes. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#23 Authorized the Bureau of Materials & Research to enter into a **sole source** Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire Sponsored Programs Administration, Durham, NH, to support workforce development in NH through the UNH Technology Transfer Center, for a fee not to exceed \$10,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#24 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Spears Bros. Building Salvage & Wrecking, Inc., Laconia, NH on the basis of a low bid of \$294,700 for demolition of commercial buildings and ancillary structures on three State owned properties in the Town of Derry, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$29,470 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear in the construction project. Effective upon G&C approval through April 12, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#25 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Bedford, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #84), for intersection improvements in the Town of Jaffrey, NH, by extending the completion date from September 30, 2023 to June 30, 2028. (2) Further authorized increasing the fee by \$492,773.58 from \$2,162,892.27 to \$2,655,655.85. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to enter into a Transportation Vehicle Use Agreement with Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. (GCSCC), Lebanon, NH, to purchase capital equipment for local non-profit subrecipients that provide transportation services to seniors and individuals with disabilities as detailed in the letter dated July 25, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through vehicle disposition. **85% Federal Funds, 7.5% State Capital Funds, 7.5% Local/Private Funds**

#27 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Maine Technical Source, Inc., Yarmouth, ME, in the amount of \$98,281.96 for the purpose of purchasing a total station robotic survey instrument, a Global Navigation Satellite System unit, data collectors, and the software licenses and peripheral equipment for the use of the instruments in the field. Effective upon G&C approval through June 3, 2024. **100% Highway Funds**

#28 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to amend an item previously approved by the G&C on 4/17/19, Item #44A for the addition of Fahey Appraisals, Manchester, NH, to prepare appraisals for property needed for transportation projects. Effective upon G&C approval through April 17, 2024. No new funding is being requested.

#29 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Highway Maintenance's annual summary for FY23 which includes contracts with various private contractors to assist the winter maintenance activities, emergency repair of infrastructure due to flooding or other unexpected natural disasters, along with highway and bridge maintenance efforts.

*[\\*Upon request by Councilor Gatsas, click here to view the status update from the Bureau of Right of Way, for the Derry-Londonderry 13065, Exit 4A project.\\*](#)*

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#30 Authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to award a grant to the City of Concord, NH in the amount of \$500,000 to support the Concord Coalition to End Homelessness project situated at 6 South State Street, Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#31 Authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to award a grant to the County of Sullivan, Newport, NH in the amount of \$563,695 for the purpose of assisting two organizations provide microenterprise technical assistance and training, direct grants and down payment assistance to micro businesses. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**

#32 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to **retroactively** pay Multistate Tax Commission, Washington, DC in the amount of \$13,977 for membership fees for the Nexus Program as an Associate Member. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOODS

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#33 Authorized the Division of Agricultural Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Merrimack County Conservation District, Concord, NH in the amount of \$42,530 to provide technical assistance in utilizing soil steamer technology to reduce pest pressure, increase crop yields, and reduce the use of pesticides in high tunnels and crop land. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds – Specialty Crop Block Grant**

#34 Authorized the Division of Agricultural Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Merrimack County Conservation District, Concord, NH in the amount of \$57,470 to provide technical assistance in trapping and monitoring pest species, Integrated Pest Management plan implementation, and education of specialty crop growers in NH. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#35 Authorized the Division of Agricultural Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Cheshire County Conservation District, Walpole, NH in the amount of \$77,000 to develop a technical assistance program for NH specialty crop producers to adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change. Effective upon G&C approval through September 29, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#36 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Gatsas authorized to enter into a contract with J. Randall Woolridge, Ph.D., State College, PA for \$40,850 to provide utility cost of capital consulting services on behalf of the Department Staff Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities (Liberty or the Company). Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024, with the option to extend for up to two additional years. **100% Other Funds (Utility Special Assessment)**

## OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE

#37 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to enter into a contract with Larkin & Associates, PLLC, Livonia, MI to provide certain expert services in connection with rate cases at the Public Utilities Commission, in an amount not to exceed \$320,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on September 14, 2023.**

## GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#38 Authorized to finalize an award in an amount not to exceed \$240,165 with New Life Home for Women and Children, Manchester, NH in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, as part of the Pregnant and Parenting Residential Treatment Investment Program, which provides relief for residential treatment programs serving pregnant and parenting persons with SUD and co-occurring mental illness(es), as well as support for services these entities provide to the children of those receiving treatment. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#39 Authorized to amend a grant agreement under the Locality Equipment Purchase Program to **retroactively** correct the award amount for the Town of Marlow by increasing the price limitation by \$4,000 from \$46,000 to \$50,000 to correct a scrivener's error in Item #80C approved at the June 15, 2022 G&C meeting, with no change to the completion date. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#40 Authorized, with Councilors Kenney and Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a contract with Camoin Associates, Inc., Saratoga Springs, NY in an amount not to exceed \$491,000 for preparing strategies to assist NH economic development and for assistance in sharing strategies with regional and local partners and soliciting feedback. Effective upon G&C approval through March 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#41 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with New Hampshire Maple Producers Association, Hampstead, NH in an amount not to exceed \$350,180 for developing and distributing marketing materials to the maple industry in NH and providing opportunities to expend the knowledge of and sales of NH produced maple products. Effective upon G&C approval through December 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

## **FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT**

#42 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to enter into a contract with White Mountain Woodland Services, LLC, Wentworth, NH in the amount of \$32,000 to blaze, paint and place state boundary line signs on the perimeter boundary of the 687+/- acre McDaniels Marsh Wildlife Management Area located in the Town of Springfield, NH the 129+/- acre Powder Mill Pond Wildlife Management Area in the Towns of Greenfield & Hancock, and the 312+/- acre Perkins Pond Wildlife Management Area in the Town of Weare, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2024. **75% Federal Funds, 25% Wildlife Habitat Account**

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#43 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds from the Communication Site Ops account in the amount of \$55,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a new vehicle for field staff to support the Communication Tower Lease Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#44 Authorized the annual salary increase for Mr. Patrick Hackley, Director of Forests and Lands, in the amount of \$5,720 from a current salary of \$116,031 to a new salary of \$121,751. Effective upon the first day of the first pay period following G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#45 Authorized the annual salary increase for Mr. Benjamin Wilson, Director of Division of Historical Resources, in the amount of \$4,977 from a current salary of \$100,472 to a new salary of \$105,449. Effective upon the first day of the first pay period following G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#46 Authorized to make a **retroactive** one-time payment totaling \$1,879.29 to Ms. Susan Nagel, Park Attendant III, to compensate for wages that were not paid in Fiscal Years 2022 through 2023. Associated benefits totaling \$417.77 have also been included for a total payment of \$2,297.06. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Agency Income**

#47 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to enter into a **retroactive** and **sole source** contract with Romik Developers, LLC, Berlin, NH in the amount of \$60,000 for an Excavator to complete road and trail maintenance at Jericho Mountain State Park. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 31, 2023 through November 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds**

#48 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with Innovative Roofing NH LLC, Derry, NH in the amount of \$14,200 to perform roof replacement on the Lafayette Place Campground Visitor Center Building, in Franconia Notch State Park, Franconia, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023. **100% Capital Funds**

#48A Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, the Division of Forests and Lands, Natural Heritage Bureau to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$319,014 for the purpose of supporting various program initiatives within the Natural Heritage Bureau. (2) Further authorized to establish one temporary full-time Environmentalist III position and one temporary full-time position Environmentalist I to support various initiatives within the Natural Heritage Bureau. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). Fiscal Committee approved on August 11, 2023.**

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#49 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a **sole source** contract for Services with the Great Bay Stewards, Inc., Greenland, NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/23/22, Item #84) for the *Great Bay Stewards Coastal Neighbors Technical Assistance Program* by extending the contract end date from August 31, 2023 to August 31, 2024 and increasing the contract amount by \$10,000 from \$4,925 to \$14,925. Effective August 31, 2023, upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#50 Authorized to award a Strategic Planning grant to the Loon Estates Cooperative, Inc., Northwood, NH totaling \$50,000 to improve public water system sustainability. Effective upon G&C approval through September 1, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#51 Authorized to award a Strategic Planning grant to the Town of Woodstock, NH totaling \$36,500 to improve public water system sustainability. Effective upon G&C approval through September 1, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#52 Authorized to award a grant to the Brookview Mobile Home Park Cooperative, Inc., Northumberland, NH in the amount not to exceed \$267,050 for wastewater system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#53 Authorized to award a grant to the Bunker Lane Condominium Association, Madbury, NH in the amount not to exceed \$185,000 for wastewater system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#54 Authorized to award a grant to the Bear View Crossing Cooperative, Inc., Allenstown, NH in the amount not to exceed \$117,500 for wastewater system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#55 Authorized to award a grant to the North Country Village Cooperative, Inc., Tuftonboro, NH in that amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for water and wastewater system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2026. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized a loan agreement in an amount not to exceed \$285,600 to finance the leach fields and septic system improvements project under the provision of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#56 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the Town of Troy, NH in an amount not to exceed \$765,000 to finance the Wastewater Treatment Facility Evaluations project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#57 Authorized the NH Department of Transportation's request to perform work on Little Bay in Newington, NH.

#58 Authorized Metcalfe Family Revocable Trust's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton, NH.

#59 Authorized the City of Portsmouth, NH's request to perform work on Little Bay in Durham, NH.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

#60 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized, with Councilor Warmington voting **no**, to amend an existing **sole source** contract with the Children's Scholarship Fund, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/4/21, Item #62) by extending the end date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024 and by changing the scope of services to adjust for legislative changes in RSA 194-F, to continue to administrate Educational Freedom Accounts for eligible students. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Education Trust Fund**

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE LOTTERY COMMISSION**

#61 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to increase the size of their fleet by two vehicles, one additional light truck and one additional passenger vehicle, as detailed in the letter dated August 21, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

#### **POLICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COUNCIL**

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#62 Authorized to enter into a contract with Granite State Police Career Counseling, LLC, New Boston, NH in the amount of \$63,900 to provide technical law enforcement training. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#63 Authorized to enter into a contract with Specialized Solutions Group, LLC, Belmont, NH in the amount of \$13,750 to provide technical law enforcement training. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

## DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#64 Authorized the Division of State Police to restore 784.05 hours of sick leave and 89.52 hours of annual leave to Trooper Charles Newton, who suffered a line of duty injury and was unable to perform his normal or routine duties from April 25, 2022 through June 26, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

#65 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into grant agreements with the counties and municipalities as detailed in the letter dated August 14, 2023, for a total amount of \$833,684 for the investigation and apprehension of individuals or organizations that are involved in narcotics-related drug use and trafficking. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#66 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with the counties and municipalities as detailed in the letter dated August 10, 2023 for a total amount of \$134,833 from the Body-worn and Dashboard Camera Fund. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028. **100% General Funds**

#67 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to **retroactively** amend the grant agreement with the Town of New Hampton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/29/22, Item #186) to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan by extending the completion date from April 1, 2023 to April 1, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funding is being requested. **100% Federal Funds**

#68 Authorized the Division of Emergency Services and Communications to enter into a contract with Genasys, Inc., in the amount of \$578,000 for the purpose of hosted web-based New Hampshire Emergency Notification System, a statewide mass emergency notification system that is capable of geographically alerting the public via voice, short message service, and e-mail alerts based on a pre-registered location. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028, with the option to renew at the State's discretion for up to an additional two years. **100% Agency Income**

## DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#69 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant for the month of October 2023 in the amount of \$500,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month.

#70 Authorized the request of the Division of Personnel for waiver of classification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval.

#71 Authorized to enter into a contract with Corporate Travel Management North America, Inc., Houston, TX in an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,487,314 for travel services through a participating agreement with the National Association of State Procurement Officials Value Point Mast Agreement. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2028.

#72 Authorized to enter into a contract with Absolute Resource Associates LLC, Portsmouth, NH in an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,113,435.20 for laboratory analytical services. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2028, with the option to extend for up to an additional two years.

#73 Authorized to enter into a contract with Enthalpy Analytical, LLC, Irvine, CA in an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,234,800 for laboratory analytical services. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2028, with the option to extend for up to an additional two years.

#74 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Electronic Risks Consultants, Inc., Phillipsburg, NJ for laboratory equipment maintenance and repair services, to remove equipment, add equipment and increase the contract price limitation by \$24,260 from \$1,343,933.20 to an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,368,193.20. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024.

#75 Authorized to enter into a contract with Alpine Environmental, Inc., Billerica, MA in an amount up to and not to exceed \$750,000 for asbestos abatement, mold remediation and lead containing paint removal services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026, with the option to extend for up to two additional years.

#76 Authorized to enter into a contract with Prism Response, LLC d/b/a Alloy, North Reading, MA in an amount up to and not to exceed \$750,000 for asbestos abatement, mold remediation and lead containing paint removal services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026, with the option to extend for up to two additional years.

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**ITEM REMAINS ON TABLE**

On August 23, 2023:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** Item #172 below.

On September 6, 2023:

No action was taken.

**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

#172 Authorize to enter into a contract with Pete's Tire Barns, Inc., Orange, MA, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$753,500 for tire retread services. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2028, with an option to extend for up to two additional years.

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday September 20, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Franklin Pierce University, Rindge, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 11:05 a.m.