

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
Bridges House, 21 Mountain Rd, Concord, NH
October 18, 2025, 12:30 p.m.
Special Meeting

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 12:32 p.m. with Councilors Liot Hill, Stevens, Stephen and Wheeler present in person, and Councilor Kenney was present via telephone.

Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Myles Matteson offered a prayer
- Commissioner Robert Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance

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TABLED ITEMS REMOVED AND APPROVED

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

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- A. Authorized to accept and place on file the Biennial Report for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025, pursuant to RSA 20:7.

On October 15, 2025:

Councilor Stephen requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, voted to **table** item #3A above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #3A above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved item #3A above.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#15 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with R.M. Piper, Inc., Plymouth, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$1,173,611.75 for preservation efforts on a 2-span bridge carrying NH 107 over the Lamprey River in Raymond, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$117,361.81, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 23, 2026, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Federal Funds**

#16A Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to enter into a contract with Bazin Brothers Trucking, Inc., Westminister, VT, on the basis of a low bid of \$708,113 to reconstruct a roadway slope along NH Route 12 in Charlestown, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$70,811.30, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through April 1, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, voted to **table** items #15 & #16A above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove items #15 & #16A above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt these items for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved items #15 & #16A above.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

#22 Authorized to enter into a contract with Granite State Shuttle Service, Dover, NH in the amount of \$93,539.69, for the provision of Northern NH Correctional Facility In-State Courier Service. Effective upon G&C approval from November 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027, with the option to renew for one additional period of up to two years. **100% General Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen, voted to adopt this item for the purpose of discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** item #22 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #22 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved item #22 above.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

#27 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into a **retroactive** contract with Mobile Fencing, Inc., Providence, RI in the amount of \$10,000 to deliver and supply temporary fencing at Cannon Mountain Ski Area. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of October 1, 2025 through November 1, 2025. **100% Agency Income**

#29 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to **retroactively** amend a lease agreement with New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid, Waltham, MA (originally approved by G&C on 1/14/15, Item #21), for equipment and antenna space in designated areas at Kearsarge Mountain in Kearsarge Mountain State Forest in Warner, NH by exercising a second five-year renewal option and extending the completion date from March 31, 2025 to March 31, 2030. (2) Further authorized to accept annual rental payment revenue. The annual rental payments include a 3% annual increase as detailed within the terms of the lease. Effective upon G&C approval.

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** items #27 & #29 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove items #27 & #29 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt these items for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved items #27 & #29 above.

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

#64 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a contract agreement with Mancini Companies, LLC, Dover, NH in the amount of \$12,240 to provide driveway grading, repair, and excavation at the State Police lot located at 108 Clinton Street, Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Highway Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen, voted to adopt this item for the purpose of discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** item #64 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #64 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved item #64 above.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#68 Authorized to enter into subgrants **retroactive** to July 1, 2025, with the programs as detailed in the letter dated September 22, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, to support the enhancement of Child Advocacy Center services. Effective upon G&C approval from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. **100% General Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, voted to **table** item #68 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #68 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved item #68 above.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#69 Authorized to amend an existing **sole source** contract with Sophus Consulting Inc., Folsom, CA (originally approved by G&C on 12/22/21, Item #106), by increasing the price limitation by \$193,475 from \$375,000 to \$568,475, and by extending the end date from June 30, 2026 to June 30, 2027 for the purpose of upgrading the Department's ProLaw case management system to the newest version and continued maintenance and support to users of the system. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** item #69 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #69 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved item #69 above.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#78 Authorized to exercise a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Coastal Traffic, Incorporated, York, ME (originally approved by G&C on 2/21/24, Item #174), for traffic signal equipment by increasing the price limitation by \$1,980,973.77 from \$1,348,714.31 in an amount up to and not to exceed \$3,329,688.08, with no change to the completion date of February 28, 2029. Effective upon G&C approval.

#79 Authorized to enter into a contract with Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast, Inc, Londonderry, NH, for a variety of Coca-Cola products in an amount up to and not to exceed \$848,546.65. Effective upon G&C approval for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2031, with the option to extend for two years.

#80 Authorized to enter into a contract with Irving Oil Terminals Inc., Portsmouth, NH in an amount up to and not to exceed \$2,478,857.11 for #2 Heating Oil Fuel Supply and Delivery. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2027, with the option to extend for one year.

#81 Authorized to enter into a contract with The Melanson Company, A Tecta America Company, LLC, Bow, NH in an amount up to and not to exceed \$551,070 for statewide roofing services. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028, with the option to extend for up to an additional two years.

#84 Authorized enter into a contract with Triple Construction, LLC, Merrimack, NH, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$193,229 for stair tower roofs repointing services at the Concord Main Building at 105 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$15,000 for unanticipated expenses. (3) Further authorized a payment of \$15,150 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering and project management services provided. Effective upon G&C approval July 3, 2026, with the option to extend for an additional three months.

100% Capital Funds

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** items #78-81 & #84 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove items #78-81 & #84 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt these items for discussion. Following discussion, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, the Governor and Council approved items #78-81 & #84 above.

TABLED ITEMS REMOVED AND RE-TABLED

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#50 **TABLED** - Authorize to enter into a **sole source** contract with Michael J. Quinn, Rye, NH, in the amount of \$33,100 to perform 1:24,000-scale bedrock geologic mapping of the southern half of the Derry quadrangle. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, voted to **table** item #50 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #50 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to **table** item #50 above.

POLICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COUNCIL

#63 **TABLED** - Authorize to enter into a contract with Specialized Solutions Group, LLC, Belmont, NH for \$27,500 to provide technical law enforcement training. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% General Funds**

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to adopt this item for the purpose of discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** item #63 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #63 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to **table** item #63 above.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#82 **TABLED** - Authorize to enter into a **retroactive, sole source** amendment to an existing contract with NRC East Environmental Services, Inc., Portsmouth, NH, by increasing the price limitation by \$143,982.96 from \$206,017.04 to \$350,000 with no change to the contract completion date for hazardous waste part 1 pickup and disposal services. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2026.

On October 15, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, and with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** item #82 above.

On October 18, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to remove item #82 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney - yes, Councilor Liot Hill - yes, Councilor Stevens - yes, Councilor Stephen - yes, and Councilor Wheeler - yes, voted to **table** item #82 above.

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday October 29, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

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Minutes taken by Kaley Dion, Assistant Secretary of State