

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council
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DATE: April 16, 2021

TO: All District Three Constituents FROM: Executive Councilor Janet Stevens

The Executive Council met on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, to review and vote on 59 warrant/agenda items and to approve Civil Commissions, Nominations and Confirmations, as well as Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments. Additionally, 22 Informational Items, pursuant to RSA:45, RSA 21-P:43, and Section 4 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders, were presented to the Executive Council for review.

Following the Executive Council meeting on April 7, 2021, the Executive Council held a confirmation hearing for two Judicial Branch nominees to serve on the New Hampshire Circuit Court (per diem) and New Hampshire Superior Court. The Circuit Court nominee, Attorney Bradley Lown of Portsmouth, NH and the Superior Court nominee, Attorney Patricia Conway, of Salem, NH, the current Rockingham County Attorney, spoke before the Executive Council and were questioned by members of the Executive Council. Testimony - both for and against the nominees - was provided in person and via telephone. The nomination of Attorneys Lown and Conwy to serve on the Circuit and Superior Courts was supported by the Judicial Selection Commission and nominated by Governor Sununu. The Executive Council will vote on the nominees at the next meeting of the Council on Wednesday, April 21, 2021.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES Brigadier General Laurie M. Farris, Exeter, NH, to the rank of Major General, NH Air National Guard.

MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#E. Authorized the Bureau of Right of Ways petition for a hearing on the proposed reconstruction of the intersection of **NH Route 108**, **Amesbury Road and Maple Ave in Newton.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- #16 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay property owners \$32,750 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from February 11, 2021 through March 1, 2021. **Derry-Londonderry 4A project. Re-establishment payments to Advantage Utilities (\$12,350) and Accurate Chassis Solutions, LLC(\$20,400).**
- #17 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay a business owner \$22,500 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from March 2, 2021 through March 16, 2021. **Derry-Londonderry 4A project. Moving costs Kelsen Brewing Co.**
- Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin Inc., Bedford, NH, to perform final design to address transportation system needs along **NH Route 102 in the Towns of Derry and Londonderry, by constructing an alternate route which includes a new interchange, Exit 4A, on Interstate 93 (I-93)** approximately one mile north of Exit 4 and a new connector road, for an amount not to exceed \$10,837,567.26. Effective through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#37 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with Green Shadow Property Maintenance LLC, Rollinsford, NH, to perform **Beach Grading at Hampton Beach State Park, in the amount of \$40,000.** Effective through May 7, 2021. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- 448 Authorized Steven A. Joselow 1990 Authorized Steven A. Joselow 1990 TR's and Margaret A. Lamb 1990 TR's request to perform work on the Piscataqua River in New Castle.
- #50 Authorized amendment to a sole source agreement with the Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH (originally approved by G&C on 10-23-19, item #54), for the "Seacoast Transportation Corridor Vulnerability Assessment and Plan" project, by extending the completion date to March 31, 2022 from March 31, 2021 and revising the scope of work to include additional reporting deliverables. No Additional Cost. 100% Federal Funds.
- #52 Authorized the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to enter into a sole source agreement with The Nature Conservancy, Concord, NH, to conduct project development for multiple high priority culvert replacements in the tidal environment, in the amount of \$167,968. Effective through March 31, 2022. 100% Federal Funds. All four culvert replacements, which will require Tier 4 permitting are in District 3: Route 1A Rye (Rye Harbor); Squamscott Rd in Stratham (Squamscott River Crossing 113); Squamscott Rd. in Stratham (Squamscott River Crossing 114); and South Main St. in Seabrook (Hampton Seabrook Estuary).

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT (Tabled at G&C Meeting 1/22/21)

#81 **TABLED** - The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Warmington voted to **table** the request to enter into a contract with **Precision Cut Pruning, Newmarket, NH,** to provide pruning services at Henry Laramie WMA and Glenn's Cove WMA, in the amount of \$15,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **75% Federal, 25% Wildlife Habitat conservation funds.**

TEN YEAR PLAN EXPENDITURES/BUDGET SFY 2016- SFY 2021

Towns	SFY 2016	SFY 2017	SFY 2018	SFY 2019	SFY 2020	SFY 2021	Total*
DERRY, WINDHAM	9,423,070	20,696,939	9,937,408	7,794,343	1,664,695	48,329	49,564,784
DOVER, NEWINGTON	291	8,431,822	8,638,003	9,354,214	8,181,347	4,182,039	38,787,716
SALEM	11,648	82,022	172,683	7,062,350	12,053,559	9,403,630	28,785,892
PORTSMOUTH	127,851	159,537	3,106,295	5,471,138	12,680,546	6,178,056	27,723,423
DERRY, LONDONDERRY	13,198	1,631,372	5,468,456	4,336,709	4,785,122	7,003,225	23,238,082
District Wide	41,959	2,339,881	4,329,152	5,028,287	4,003,722	2,496,774	18,239,775
BRENTWOOD, EPPING, EXETER	-	-	-	12,411	770,313	5,837,376	6,620,100
HAMPTON, PORTSMOUTH	-	5,051	213,688	2,603,761	1,471,850	20,494	4,314,844
DERRY, LONDONDERRY, SALEM, WINDHAM	-	-	3,108	46,998	647,605	3,165,395	3,863,106
DOVER, DURHAM, HUDSON, KINGSTON , LONDONDERRY, WINDHAM	239	67,601	3,325,680	363,770	10,677	-	3,767,967
HAMPTON, HAMPTON FALLS, SEABROOK	216,518	872,748	1,957,047	17,296	-	-	3,063,609
ATKINSON, GREENLAND, HAMPSTEAD, PORTSMOUTH	-	-	-	24,770	2,805,158	79,217	2,909,145
HAMPTON FALLS, SEABROOK	-	53,056	2,410,502	325,414	-	-	2,788,972
HAMPTON	-	-	60,095	1,227,374	1,478,629	7,507	2,773,605
HAMPTON, PORTSMOUTH, ROCHESTER	-	-	26	14,267	2,422,926	19,688	2,456,907
NEW CASTLE, PORTSMOUTH	-	39,474	79,256	504,603	941,466	610,178	2,174,977
DERRY	39,980	106,163	127,353	888,432	893,191	-	2,055,119

DOVER, DURHAM, HAMPTON , SOMERSWORTH, STRATHAM	-	-	-	5,880	601,972	1,387,219	1,995,071
WINDHAM	-	1,158,021	356,269	20,371	(3,025)	365,843	1,897,479
EAST KINGSTON	25,259	172,719	574,860	1,070,753	8,172	-	1,851,763
PELHAM	-	-	-	817,576	-	693,065	1,510,641
ALTON, BARTLETT, EPPING , FARMINGTON, FREEDOM, HAMPTON , HARTS LOCATION, LEE, PORTSMOUTH, ROCHESTER	-	-	67,448	1,218,812	193,630	1,332	1,481,222
DANVILLE, GOFFSTOWN, HAMPSTEAD, KINGSTON , LONDONDERRY, MANCHESTER	-	-	-	1,929	235,096	1,228,879	1,465,904
PLAISTOW	-	30,735	25,002	378,718	543,024	425,570	1,403,049
SEABROOK	115,725	625,607	418,640	227	(74)	-	1,160,125
SALEM, WINDHAM	9,520	1,006,278	36,084	585	-	-	1,052,467
CANDIA, SANDOWN	-	-	-	6,947	2,041	963,820	972,808
DURHAM, NEWMARKET	-	56,143	393,998	449,986	16,508	41	916,676
BRENTWOOD, CONCORD, EPPING, PEMBROKE	-	-	12,200	12,971	875,490	(4,514)	896,147
NORTH HAMPTON	51,072	515,589	27,421	-	30,316	18,439	642,837
HAMPTON, SEABROOK	-	-	587,673	45,320	48	-	633,041
STRATHAM	29,030	387,122	-	-	-	-	416,152
NEWMARKET	7,131	4,933	302,478	95,633	-	-	410,175
BEDFORD, KINGSTON, MERRIMACK, PLAISTOW	56	362,758	-	-	-	-	362,814
DERRY, HAMPSTEAD, MANCHESTER, SALEM	-	-	-	-	-	318,952	318,952
DOVER, PORTSMOUTH	-	-	4,089	282,959	-	-	287,048

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AUBURN, CANDIA, HAMPTON, NORTH HAMPTON, STRATHAM	-	-	1,014	10,196	231,958	-	243,168
ASHLAND, CAMPTON, EPPING , EXETER , HOLDERNESS	-	-	6,502	211,203	-	-	217,705
BEDFORD, DOVER, NASHUA, PORTSMOUTH	15,794	54,957	106,250	4,794	10,013	-	191,808
BEDFORD, BOW, CONCORD, DOVER, GREENLAND , HAMPTON , HAMPTON FALLS , HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, MERRIMACK, NASHUA, NEWINGTON , NORTH HAMPTON , ROCHESTER, SEABROOK	-			2,384	103,267	-	105,651
CONCORD, CONWAY, GOFFSTOWN, HOOKSETT, HUDSON, KINGSTON, MEREDITH, PORTSMOUTH, RAYMOND, SEABROOK, WINDHAM	-	-	1	5,332	2,349	91,340	99,021
ALLENSTOWN, ANTRIM, BARRINGTON, BELMONT, BRENTWOOD, DUBLIN, DURHAM, EPSOM, HILLSBOROUGH, HUDSON, KINGSTON, LEE, LONDONDERRY, MEREDITH, MILFORD, MOULTONBOROUGH, NORTHWOOD, NOTTINGHAM, PEMBROKE, PETERBOROUGH, SANDWICH, TAMWORTH, WALPOLE, WESTMORELAND, WINDHAM	-	819	23,867	71,746	514		96,946
CONCORD, LITCHFIELD, MANCHESTER, NEWFIELDS , NEWMARKET , ROLLINSFORD, WEARE, WINDHAM	407	16,862	76,003	296	1	1	93,568
BARTLETT, LEBANON, ROCHESTER, SALEM , WINDHAM	-	6,463	84,862	169	211	-	91,705
BOW, CONCORD, DOVER, GREENLAND , HAMPTON , HAMPTON FALLS , HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, MERRIMACK, NASHUA, NEWINGTON , NORTH HAMPTON , PORTSMOUTH , ROCHESTER, SEABROOK	-	2,083	85,291	512	-	•	87,886
BEDFORD, BOW, CONCORD, DOVER, GREENLAND , HAMPTON, HAMPTON FALLS, HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, MERRIMACK, MILTON, NASHUA, NORTH HAMPTON, PORTSMOUTH, ROCHESTER, SEABROOK	3,721	76,402	119	-	-	•	80,242
RYE	90	6,661	69,536	-	-	-	76,287

ALLENSTOWN, ALTON, ANTRIM, BARNSTEAD, CHESTER , CHESTERFIELD, CHICHESTER, CONCORD, EPSOM, HILLSBOROUGH, HUDSON, KEENE, LITCHFIELD, LONDONDERRY, NELSON, OSSIPEE, PEMBROKE, PITTSFIELD, PLYMOUTH, RAYMOND , ROXBURY, STODDARD, WOLFEBORO	38,344	32,432	-	-	-	-	70,776
EPPING, HANOVER, HOOKSETT, LEBANON, NASHUA, NORTH HAMPTON, PORTSMOUTH, ROCHESTER, STRATHAM	-	-	-	572	5,207	60,878	66,657
CHESTER	-	29,720	-	10,308	14,982	3,857	58,867
ALTON, CANDIA, HAMPTON , HILLSBOROUGH, LITTLETON, NEW DURHAM, NEW LONDON, PORTSMOUTH	-	-	2,313	9,816	46,581	-	58,710
BEDFORD, BOW, CONCORD, DOVER, GREENLAND , HAMPTON , HAMPTON FALLS , HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, MERRIMACK, MILTON, NASHUA, NEWINGTON , NORTH HAMPTON , PORTSMOUTH , ROCHESTER, SEABROOK	•	•	-	407	1,015	39,240	40,662
CHESTERFIELD, PELHAM	337	2,531	10,583	3,209	10,738	680	28,078
DANVILLE	-	-	22,248	-	-	-	22,248
ALTON, CANDIA, FRANCONIA, HAMPTON , HILLSBOROUGH, HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, NEW LONDON	-	-	1,760	16,307	-	-	18,067
PELHAM, SALEM	-	-	-	13,090	-	-	13,090
DOVER, EXETER , JEFFERSON, MILTON, NORTHWOOD, PETERBOROUGH, ROCHESTER, WAKEFIELD	7,166	1,766	-	454	3,261	236	12,883
AUBURN, DERRY , MANCHESTER	-	-	-	-	7,251	5,280	12,531
EXETER	12,345	-	-	-	-	-	12,345
ATKINSON	-	-	7,935	-	-	-	7,935
CAMPTON, HOLDERNESS, PLAISTOW	-	-	-	-	6,624	972	7,596

BOW, CHESTER, NEW IPSWICH	-	-	-	3,980	-	-	3,980
BEDFORD, BOW, CONCORD, DOVER, GREENLAND , HAMPTON, HAMPTON FALLS, HOOKSETT, MANCHESTER, MERRIMACK, MILTON, NASHUA, NEW HAMPTON, NEWINGTON, PORTSMOUTH, ROCHESTER, SEABROOK	_	206	-	-	_	_	206
DERRY, LONDONDERRY, MANCHESTER, SALEM, WINDHAM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	10,190,751	39,036,473	43,133,197	49,849,579	57,757,975	44,653,037	244,621,012

^{*}Expenditures to date only include % of project in Executive Council District 3 (EC-D3)

Executive Council District 3	January	February
	2021	2021
Labor Force	161,100	159,443
Employment	154,352	153,994
Unemployment	6,748	5,449
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	3.4%

Executive Council District 3	January	February
Area Title	2021	2021
Atkinson town, NH	4.1%	3.1%
Brentwood town, NH	3.0%	2.4%
Chester town, NH	3.5%	3.2%
Danville town, NH	4.3%	3.9%
Derry town, NH	4.5%	3.7%
East Kingston town, NH		
	3.7%	2.5%
Epping town, NH	4.0%	3.3%
Exeter town, NH	3.8%	3.2%
Fremont town, NH	3.8%	2.9%
Greenland town, NH	3.3%	2.9%
Hampstead town, NH	4.5%	3.6%

Hampton Falls town, NH		
	3.6%	3.3%
Hampton town, NH	5.0%	4.0%
Kensington town, NH	3.7%	2.9%
Kingston town, NH	4.8%	3.9%
New Castle town, NH	1.5%	1.7%
Newfields town, NH	2.8%	1.3%
Newington town, NH	1.8%	1.8%
Newmarket town, NH	3.3%	2.6%
Newton town, NH	3.8%	3.3%
North Hampton town, NH		
	3.5%	3.1%
Pelham town, NH	4.8%	4.1%
Plaistow town, NH	5.9%	4.9%
Portsmouth city, NH	3.6%	2.7%
Raymond town, NH	4.1%	3.2%
Rye town, NH	2.7%	2.5%
Salem town, NH	4.8%	4.0%
Sandown town, NH	3.4%	2.9%
Seabrook town, NH	6.8%	5.4%

South Hampton town, NH		
	4.2%	4.2%
Stratham town, NH		
	3.3%	2.8%
Windham town, NH		
	3.6%	2.8%

Chris Santaniello, DHHS Division of Economic & Housing Stability and Rich Lavers, Deputy Commissioner NH Employment Security, provided a presentation, the culmination of a two year study, on the need to sustain and build capacity for New Hampshire's child care system which will support workforce growth in New Hampshire and individual job/career growth.

The study, *Constraints on New Hampshire's Workforce Recovery*, began in 2019, to address and provide policy recommendations for preventing benefit cliffs, which occur when increases in earned income leads to decreases in net benefits or programs, which may potentially disincentivize workforce participation. Parents, in order to work successfully, need to know their children are safe and are in nurturing environments.

Guidance to bolster New Hampshire's child care sector, as a result of this study, provided recommendations on 14 critical areas that need to be addressed to sustain the industry. From increasing the funding of New Hampshire's Child Care and Development Fund to increasing state repayment rates for child care centers offering non-traditional hours to meeting the transportation and health insurance needs of staff.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) provided a status update on emergency boarding for patients, children and adults, in need of psychiatric care. The presenters, Heather Moquin, CEO, Division of 24/7 Care Facilities and Katja Fox, Director of Behavioral Health DHHS, noted that while referrals for adult inpatient care have remained flat, the waitlist has grown during the pandemic (capacity reduced due to COVID). Referrals for children during the pandemic were noted as "unprecedented", which lengthened the wait time for children in need of inpatient care. The Executive Council was informed of measures taken to improve access to inpatient services along with capital and workforce investments in progress.

CONFIRMATIONS

Advisory Council on Worker's Compensation Board of Accountancy **Board of Home Inspectors**

Board of Nursing Occupational Therapy Governing Board New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Industry Board Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors Marian Mitchell, Hooksett
Charles R. Powell, Warner
Gregory D. Davis, Newmarket
Joseph M. Griffin, Goffstown
Matthew Kitsis, Bow
Traci Johnson, Nashua
Donald R. Brabant, Portsmouth
Colby R. Chaput, Concord
Connor Jennings, Manchester
Gregory S. Stephens, Manchester

NOMINATIONS

Assistant Commissioner, Department of Corrections Board of Licensed Dietitians Cannon Mountain Advisory Commission

Education and Training Officer, Department of Administrative Services
Justice, Circuit Court
Public Utilities Commission
Nash Stream Forest Citizens Committee

Oil Fund Disbursement Board

Rivers Management Advisory Committee Speech-Language Pathology Governing Board

Waste Management Council

William T. Conway, Concord Courtney L. Eaton, Merrimack Frank A. MacConnell, Newport Terry W. Penner, Carroll Thaddeus D. Presby, Franconia Stephen J. Mason Jr., Gilmanton Beth H. Kissinger, Hopkinton Daniel C. Goldner, Manchester Sally Manikian, Shelburne Dana G. Jones, Conway Robert M. Roseen, Stratham Mariellen J. MacKay, Nashua Steven D. Bullek, Madbury