

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 5, 2013

The Capital Budget Overview Committee met on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 201 of the Legislative Office Building.

The following members were in attendance:

Representative David Campbell, Chairman
Representative John Cloutier, Clerk
Representative Daniel Eaton
Representative John Graham
Representative Ken Weyler
Senator David Boutin, Vice Chairman
Senator Sylvia Larsen
Senator James Rausch
Senator Nancy Stiles

Representative Campbell called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Graham, seconded by Senator Boutin, that the minutes of the January 9, 2013 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

RSA 9:26-a, PROHIBITED CHANGES:

CAP 13-014 Department of Health and Human Services – Christine Bean, Director, and Sally Hartman, Program Manager, Public Health Laboratories, Department of Health and Human Services, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee. Michael Kane, Deputy Legislative Budget Assistant, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, was present to speak to the provisions of RSA 9:16-a, Prohibited Changes.

On a motion by Senator Boutin, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, to spend an estimated total amount not to exceed \$36,556.73 in unused funds appropriated for Lab Improvement be used for the following additional Laboratory improvements: 1) Remove the rug and seal the floor with industrial grade non-permeable paint in Room B29, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, at an estimated \$3,000, 2) Install a fume hood in room B29 for the preparation and analysis of radioactive (“hot”) samples, at an estimated \$32,235; and 3) Install a sliding glass window between Room B29 and B30 (emergency sample receipt room) on the existing window so that the samples from the outside are moved smoothly into Room B29, at an estimated \$500, as specified in the request dated January 9, 2013. MOTION ADOPTED.

CAP 13-017 The Adjutant General's Department – Brigadier General Carolyn Protzmann, Deputy Adjutant General, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee. Also present was Edward Sargent, Program Specialist III, The Adjutant General's Department. Michael Kane, Deputy Legislative Budget Assistant, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, was present to speak to the provisions of RSA 9:16-a, Prohibited Changes and respond to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Boutin, and seconded by Senator Stiles, that the Committee **approve item #2 only** of the request of The Adjutant General's Department to use the remaining Armory Statewide Auxiliary Power, Chapter 264, Laws of 2007, balance of \$609,243.85 to extend the generator installation and associated electrical upgrade beyond the main distribution panels so that all electrical distribution/life safety systems will be optimized in the event of a state emergency, as specified in the request dated January 31, 2013. MOTION ADOPTED.

On a motion by Representative Cloutier, seconded by Senator Boutin, that the Committee table item #1 of the request of The Adjutant General's Department to use the remaining D&E Storage Buildings – Additional Power and Lighting, Chapter 145, Laws of 2009, balance of \$151,651.24 towards replacing all existing electrical systems to meet current code at additional Readiness Centers throughout the state. MOTION ADOPTED. The Committee requested that the Department go through the Legislative process to modify the original Capital Budget request.

RSA 12-G:46. III. HARBOR DREDGING AND PIER MAINTENANCE FUND ESTABLISHED:

CAP 13-016 Pease Development Authority – Geno Marconi, Director, and Tracy Shattuck, Chief Harbormaster, Division of Ports and Harbors, Pease Development Authority presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee. A handout was also presented to the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Stiles, seconded by Senator Boutin, that the Committee approve the request of the Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors, to expend \$90,000 from the Harbor Dredging and Pier Maintenance fund for the purpose of completing the additional investigations associated with the Project Feasibility Study conducted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers associated with expanding the Piscataqua River Turning Basin, as specified in the request dated January 30, 2013. The Capital Budget Overview Committee approved the original request (CAP 06-015) on May 31, 2006. MOTION ADOPTED.

RSA 228:12-a USE OF TOLL CREDITS:

CAP 13-019 Department of Transportation – William Watson, Administrator, Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance, Department of Transportation, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Stiles, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation, to use up to \$104,880.80 of Turnpike Toll Credit, based on project construction costs of \$523,854, to meet funding match requirements for; the NH Route 33 portion of Transportation Enhancement Project, 14417, in the City of Portsmouth, as specified in the request dated February 21, 2013. MOTION ADOPTED.

CAP 13-020 Department of Transportation – Patrick Herlihy, Director of Aeronautics, Rail and Transit, Department of Transportation, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Senator Stiles, that the Committee approve the request Department of Transportation, to use up to \$131,800 of Turnpike Toll Credit, based on total project costs not to exceed \$659,000 in federal funds, to meet funding match requirements for; the Plaistow Commuter Rail Extension Study, as specified in the request dated February 20, 2013. MOTION ADOPTED.

MISCELLANEOUS:

CAP 13-021 University System of New Hampshire – Dr. Todd Leach, Interim Chancellor, University System of New Hampshire, presented an overview and informational Update Report on “KEEP” and “KEEP-UP” Projects.

INFORMATIONAL:

The informational items were accepted and placed on file.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting of the Capital Budget Overview Committee will be at the Call of the Chair.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that the meeting adjourn. (Where upon the meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.)


Representative John Cloutier, Clerk