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CUMBERLAND COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS

Cumberland County, ME-

The Cumberland County Government Finance Committee (FC) formerly, the Budget Advisory Committee, met for the first time Tuesday evening, September 27 at 5 PM in the Peter J. Feeney Conference Room in the County Courthouse. According to the County Charter, passed by voters in 2010, the Finance Committee will meet to review the county budget for the upcoming year, and present their advisory opinions on the total budget to the County Commissioners for their final approval by December 1, 2011. The Committee consists of two municipal officials from each of the five new districts as also defined by the Charter. Because two additional Commissioners will not be elected until the November election of this year, to start serving in 2012, only six members have currently been appointed to the FC through the caucus process.

Those members are: Lisa Villa, Harrison, Elinor Multer, Harpswell, Anthony Payne, Falmouth, Paul Emery, Westbrook, Tom Coward, South Portland and Kevin Call, Windham.

Lisa Villa was elected chair and Tom Coward vice Chair.

The committee will meet October 5, 12, 19 and 26 at %PM in the Feeney Conference Room to review all County department budgets, and provide the Commissioners with an advisory recommendation on the total county budget.

At the Tuesday meeting, officers were elected, plans for future meetings were determined; a presentation was made by Manager Crichton to the members of his proposed budget. A review of the County IT, finance, HR, facilities, Probate and Treasurer Departments were conducted. Next meeting will be October 5th, at 5 PM, with presentations by the Executive Department, Emergency Management Agency, Deeds, District Attorney and Sheriff Patrol Division. For more information contact Bill Whitten, Assistant County ManagerWhitten@Cumberlandcounty.org.

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