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TO: All Fourth District Cities and Towns
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The Governor and Executive Council met on Wednesday, October 21, 2015, in Mason, NH and considered an agenda of approximately 62 items.

The next scheduled Governor and Executive Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in Newport, NH.

Meeting Notes – 10/21/15

The Executive Council continues its on the road meetings and convened today at 10 am at Town Hall in Mason. Here's an overview of the Council meeting, focusing on issues with both statewide and District 4 significance:

District 4 Nominations

The Governor nominated Warren Perry of Bow as Deputy Adjutant General and Jack Grube of Londonderry to the Electricians Board.

District 4 Confirmations

The Council confirmed Richard Bailey of Bow as Assistant Commissioner of Safety; Elizabeth Bielecki of Bedford as Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles; Michael Iacopino of Manchester as a special commissioner at the Public Utilities Commission; Glenn Brackett of Northwood to the Unemployment Compensation Advisory Council; Robert Beaurivage of Auburn to the Water Council; and Stephen Labbe of Hooksett to the Mechanical Licensing Board.

Resignations

The Council accepted the resignations of Directors Bailey and Bielecki at the Department of Safety so they could assume their new roles within that department.

Judicial Hearing and Confirmations

The Council held a public hearing Monday for the six individuals nominated by Governor Hassan to judicial positions. Confirmation votes will be taken at the next G&C meeting on the nominations of Dorothy Graham and Mark Howard to the Superior Court; Susan Ashley and Michael Garner to the Circuit Court; and Kimberly Chabot and Barbara Maloney as per diem justices of the Circuit Court.

Substance Abuse Grant

The Council accepted a \$2.2 million federal grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration. The funds will be sub-granted over the next year as part of the state's strategy in fighting substance abuse. This is a multi-year grant, so New Hampshire will be receiving additional funds in future years.

I-93 Design and Right of Way Acquisition

The Council amended a contract with Parsons Brinckerhoff to complete the final design of the northern section of the I-93 expansion. The additional \$788,000 will finalize the design and provide for right of way acquisitions needed for the project.

Consultant for New Revenue Information System

The Council approved a \$200,000 contract with BerryDunn to develop the business requirements, system functionality, and cost model for a much-needed new information system and taxpayer database at the Department of Revenue. The consultant will help the department develop an RFP with the hope that a new system could be funded through the state's 2017 capital budget.

State Police Contract to Outfit New Cruisers

The Council approved a \$3 million contract with MHQ Municipal Vehicles to outfit up to 275 State Police cruisers with equipment, decals, and safety features. The upgrades are necessary before the cruisers can go into service.

Today's complete agenda is available [here](#), along with the minutes and audio recording. The next G&C meeting will be held Wednesday, November 4, at 10 am in Newport, the last of the Council's on the road meetings for the year. Stay tuned for future updates, and please don't hesitate to contact me with your thoughts or concerns.

The Executive Council welcomes public input on nominations that are brought forward by the Governor for consideration and confirmation.

If you have interest in serving on any of the 300+ State Boards or Commissions please send a letter of interest along with a resume, to Jennifer Kuzma in care of the Governor's office and a copy to Executive Councilor Pappas.

Please feel free to contact me with concerns or support for any of the above individuals or any other issues you might have.

A listing of the Boards and Commissions, along with the qualifications required, can be found at <http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm>.

Allenstown, Auburn, Barrington, Bedford, Bow, Candia, Chichester, Deerfield, Epsom, Goffstown, Hooksett, Lee, Londonderry, Loudon, Northwood, Nottingham, Pembroke, Pittsfield and the City of Manchester