

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council

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COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES AND BOOSTER BLITZ – JANUARY 8, 2022

COVID-19 vaccines and boosters https://www.on-sitemedservices.com/vaccinationlocator Current sites are located in Berlin, Plymouth, Laconia, Claremont and Rochester. Six additional sites in Salem, Exeter, Manchester, Nashua, Keene and Concord will be operational within 7-10 days.

The next Booster Blitz will be held throughout the state on January 8, 2022, with signups beginning on January 3, 2022. According to Commissioner Shibinette, site locations will be similar to initial Booster Blitz. Details coming. For further details, please visit https://www.covid19.nh.gov/booster-blitzhttps://www.vaccines.nh.gov/?vaccinated

IN HOME COVID-19 TESTS ARE AVAILABLE - BOTH PCR AND RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS CAN BE REQUESTED BY VISTING https://www.covid19.nh.gov

https://sayyescovidhometest.org - Rapid Antigen Tests. To date more than 1.4 million tests have been delivered to New Hampshire residents and there is inventory at this time.

https://learn.vaulthealth.com/nh/ - PCR tests. More than 100,000 COVID-19 PCR tests have been delivered to New Hampshire. Additionally, the Department of Health & Human Services pre-loaded these tests to school districts, homeless shelters etc. Inventory remains.

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

DATE: December 26, 2021

The Executive Council met on Tuesday, November 22, 2021, in the Executive Council Chamber at the New Hampshire State House to review and vote on 114 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.

The Executive Council will vote on the nominees at the next meeting of the Council on Wednesday, December 8, 2021.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL BREAKFAST MEETING

For the Executive Council Breakfast Meeting, which preceded the formal meeting at the State House, I selected the Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) as the designated agency to host and provide updates on agency issues.

The Division of Economic Development serves as a resource to New Hampshire-based businesses seeking to expand, while also aiding out-of-state companies considering relocation to New Hampshire. The Division of Travel and Tourism "works with the state's seven travel regions to increase visitation, travel and visitor expenditures". Since March 13, 2020, essentially overnight, BEA assembled and assumed responsibility for the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR). To date, GOFERR has distributed more than \$1.1 billion dollars via 32 programs funded by the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and the American Rescue Plan Act.

TDD Access: Relay NH: 1-800-735-2964

HIGHLIGHTS

Of the 114 contracts on the agenda, the Executive Council approved disbursement of more than \$24.7 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. A contract for \$17,019,503 to recruit and retain much needed workforce in New Hampshire, by providing student loan repayment support, with an emphasis on healthcare was tabled.

\$8,008,000 APPROVED FOR AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Commissioner, to enter into a Sole Source contract with Vault Medical Service, P.A. (VC#382862), Dobbs Ferry, NY, in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 for at-home COVID-19 testing, with the option to renew for up to two (2) additional years, effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2022. 100% Federal Funds.

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Commissioner, to make unencumbered payments in the amount of \$1,000,000 for at-home COVID-19 testing until such time the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement rate drops below 100% Federal Funds.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

Brooks J. Hayward, Epsom, NH, to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Army National Guard. Raymond R. Youngs, Bow, NH, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard **Scott C. Bacon, Epping, NH**, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard Joshua P. Roberts, Tilton, NH, to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Army National Guard Darrell W. Davis, Kennebunk, ME, to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Army National Guard Michael A. Butler, Manchester, NH, to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, NH Army National Guard

BUSINESS FINANCE AUTHORITY

#6 Authorized to hold a <u>Public Hearing</u> to approve an award of a State Guarantee under RSA 162-A:13 with respect to a loan from The Provident Bank to **Exeter Rent-All LLC located in Newmarket, New Hampshire.** Action will authorize a Resolution under RSA 162-A:18 to determine the financing will serve a public use, provide public benefit and is within the policy and authority of the Act. **The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the New Hampshire Business Finance Authority and use of the Capital Asset Backed Guarantee Program to facilitate this loan on behalf of the small business/borrower.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with R.M. Piper Inc., Plymouth, NH, for bridge preservation work for three bridges located in the Towns of Candia and **Raymond**, on the basis of a single bid of \$1,086,009.72. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$108,600.97 for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 16, 2022. **This project is in the current Ten-Year Plan, under Bridge Tier 3-4, maintenance and preservation program.** 100% Federal Funds.
- Authorized Planning and Community Assistance to enter into an agreement with **TEC Inc.**, **Hampton**, **NH**, for on-call engineering services for various transportation projects located throughout the State, for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2024.

PEASE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#58 Authorized the Division of Ports and Harbors to accept and expend \$1,450,064 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to cover a portion of the project to rehabilitate the Main Wharf at the Market Street Marine Terminal in Portsmouth and related wetlands mitigation. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 19, 2021.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#76 Authorized the Bureau of Historic Sites to enter into a contract with **Riverbend Masonry, Exeter, NH, to** repair and restore a historic seawall at the Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion, in the amount of \$166,300. Effective upon G&C approval through April 15, 2022. 100% Capital Funds.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#79 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the Town of Salem, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 to finance with MS4 and Captains Pond Watershed Management Plan project. Effective upon G&C approval. 100% CWSRF Repayment Funds. The MS4 Permit (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) will assist with elevated phosphorus levels at Captain Pond.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#83 Authorized to make a **retroactive** unencumbered payment of an invoice totaling \$10,575 for emergency response measures undertaken by **Busby Construction Co., Inc., Atkinson, NH**, to repair the Winnipesaukee River Basin Program's 12-inch sewer forcemain located in Belmont on the shoulder of Route 140. **100% WRBP Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#107 Authorized to enter into a retroactive subgrant totaling \$500,000 with the **Portsmouth Police Department**, for the purpose of enhancing and sustaining the NH Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Effective retroactive to July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023. The ICAC Task Force conducts proactive investigations in order to identify, investigate, and arrest individuals who use digital technologies to exploit children. 100% General Funds.

#109 Authorized to enter into a subgrant, totaling \$200,000, with the **Portsmouth Police Department**, from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, for the purpose of supporting internet Crimes Against Children program activities related to relaxed COVID-19 restrictions. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **Funds will be used to increase forensic examination locations and train additional affiliate members in an effort to investigate computer related crimes properly and effectively. 100% Federal Funds.**

CONFIRMATIONS

Assistant Commissioner, Department of Revenue Administration

Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals

Board of Medicine

Board of Natural Scientists

Board of Home Inspectors

Community College System of New Hampshire, Board of Trustees

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Speech-Language Pathology and Hearing Care Provider Governing Board

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Abigail Thompson Fopiano, Gilford
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Alexander J. Fries, Concord
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Andrew G. Lemay, Concord
Ian McGarty, Goffstown

NOMINATIONS

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Lakes Management Advisory Committee
Lakes Management Advisory Committee
Mechanical Licensing Board
Medical Review Subcommittee
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