



GPCOG Annual Meeting of the General Assembly MINUTES

May 26, 2022

In Attendance:

Name	Affiliation
Sandy Carder, President	Gray
Carmen Lone	Bridgton
Scott Avery	Casco
Mary Fernandes	Casco
Sue Witonis	Cumberland County
Steve Gorden	Cumberland County
Peter Joseph	Freeport
Krista Chappell	Gray
Anne Gass	Gray
Christine Landes	New Gloucester
Mark Dion	Portland
Jessica Grondin	Portland
April Sither	Scarborough
Michele Bukoveckas	Sebago
Micha Pride	South Portland
Sarah Gaba	Standish
Gregory LeClerc	Standish
Zach Mosher	Standish
Michael Foley	Westbrook
Jerre Bryant	Westbrook
Jarrold Maxfield	Windham
David Nadeau	Windham
Barry Tibbetts	Windham
Heather Abbott	Yarmouth
Nat Tupper	Yarmouth
For GPCOG:	Kristina Egan

Call to Order and Welcome

Sandy Carder called the meeting to order at 1:08 pm and welcomed all attendees.

Acceptance of 5/27/21 minutes

Sandy Carder asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the 5/27/21 General Assembly meeting. Acceptance of the minutes was moved by Sue Witonis, seconded by Jerre Bryant. A vote was conducted, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Proposed FY 23 Priorities and Budget

Kristina Egan presented the FY 2022-2023 GPCOG budget. She explained that the GPCOG Executive Committee unanimously recommended to the General Assembly approval of a FY23 agency budget of \$5,017,467 as detailed in the materials found [here](#) and distributed to attendees.

The FY23 budget supports GPCOG's priorities for the coming year, including:

- Attracting federal, state, and private resources to the region;
- Continuing to deliver high-quality member services;
- Expanding transportation and housing choices throughout the region for everyone;
- Doing our part in meeting the goals of *Maine Won't Wait*;
- Supporting internal diversity, equity, and inclusion improvement; and
- Identifying and implementing priority improvements to internal GPCOG systems.

Egan summarized the FY 23 budget (see [linked materials](#)) by:

- Revenues and expenses;
- Revenues by program;
- Revenues by sources; and
- Expenses by categories.

She also discussed the 5% member dues credit included in the FY 23 budget, and outlined how member dues dollars are used as match to leverage state and federal grants for the region, and to provide flexible funding for unanticipated member needs.

Sandy Carder asked for questions and discussion. There was none.

Steve Gorden moved to accept the FY 23 budget as presented. Sue Witonis seconded the motion. A vote was conducted, and the budget was unanimously approved.

Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members

Sandy Carder presented the slate of GPCOG Officers and Executive Committee members for FY 2022-2023:

Jarrold Maxfield, Chair, **Windham** Town Council - President
Mary Fernandes, Chair, **Casco** Select Board – First Vice President
John Hawley, **Naples** Town Manager – Second Vice President
Jerre Bryant, **Westbrook** City Administrator
Krista Chappell, **Gray** Town Councilor
Mark Dion, **Portland** City Councilor
Kate Lewis, **South Portland** City Councilor
Carmen Lone, Chair, **Bridgton** Select Board
Matthew Sturgis, **Cape Elizabeth** Town Manager
Nat Tupper, **Yarmouth** Town Manager
Sue Witonis, **Cumberland County** Commissioner

Nat Tupper moved to approve the slate. David Nadeau seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no further nominations. A vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

Closing Remarks

Jarrold Maxfield thanked Sandy Carder for her service and expressed his appreciation for Sandy's leadership during her time as GPCOG President.

Adjourn

At 1:27 pm Sandy Carder asked for adjournment by acclamation. All approved.