

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 26, 2016

The Capital Budget Overview Committee met on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 201 of the Legislative Office Building.

The following members were in attendance:

Representative Gene Chandler, Chairman  
Representative Frank Byron  
Representative John Cloutier, Clerk  
Representative David Danielson  
Representative Daniel Eaton  
Representative Mark McConkey  
Senator Gary Daniels, Vice Chairman  
Senator David Boutin  
Senator Lou D'Allesandro  
Senator Nancy Stiles

Representative Chandler called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Representative Danielson, that the minutes of the June 14, 2016 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

RSA 228:12-a USE OF TOLL CREDITS:

CAP 16-028 Department of Transportation – Christopher Waszczuk, Deputy Commissioner, and David Rodrigue, Director of Operations, Department of Transportation, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Stiles, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Materials and Research, to use \$15,000 of Turnpike Toll Credit, based on the \$75,000 estimated federal participation costs to meet funding match requirements for; a proposed Statewide research project regarding Mildly Contaminated Soil (MCS) Distribution Assessment as described in the federally approved Department's 2016 State Planning and Research Part II (SPR2) Work Program, subject to the conditions as specified in the request dated May 31, 2016. MOTION ADOPTED. (7-Yes, 3-No)

CAP 16-036 Department of Transportation – Christopher Waszczuk, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Transportation, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator D'Allesandro, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Materials and Research, to use \$178,858.73 of Turnpike Toll Credit, based on the \$894,293.64 estimated federal participation costs to meet funding match requirements for; proposed in-house research activities, five proposed contracts with the University of New Hampshire (UNH), one proposed contract with the University of Vermont (UVM), one proposed contract with Plymouth State University (PSU), one proposed contract with the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center's Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory (CRREL), and one proposed contract with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), as described in the federally approved Department's 2017 State Planning and Research Part II (SPR2) Work Program, subject to the conditions as specified in the request dated August 3, 2016. MOTION FAILED.

Senator Stiles questioned if there had been any progress in the use of recycled bottle products for smaller bridge construction and the Department responded they would get back to her with an answer.

CAP 16-037 Department of Transportation – Christopher Waszczuk, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Transportation, responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Boutin, seconded by Representative MConkey, to deny the request of the Department of Transportation, to use \$580,000 of Turnpike Toll Credit, based on the \$2,980,000 estimated federal participation costs to meet funding match requirements for; a Mileage Based User Fees Study in a Multi-State Region as part of a grant application being submitted by the Delaware Department of Transportation on behalf of the I-95 Corridor Coalition, subject to the conditions as specified in the request dated August 8, 2016. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 275, LAWS OF 2015, BUDGET FOOTNOTE 04-96-96-960515-30050000-030:

CAP 16-038 Department of Transportation – On a motion by Senator Boutin, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Mechanical Services, of the Department's Amended Equipment Acquisition Plan for Fiscal Year 2017, as specified in the request dated August 9, 2016. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 351:5, LAWS OF 1991, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 2, LAWS OF 2013, APPROPRIATION, PORT AUTHORITY:

CAP 16-039 Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors – Geno Marconi, Director, Division of Ports and Harbors, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Boutin, seconded by Senator Stiles, that the Committee approve the request of the Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors, to expend funds

not to exceed \$109,500 from the Port Expansion Fund for the Main Wharf Inspection to document the condition of the facility, as specified in the request dated September 8, 2016. MOTION ADOPTED.

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

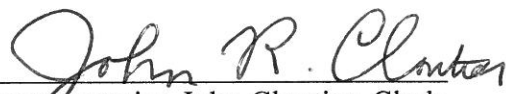
CAP 16-043 Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors – On a motion by Senator Boutin, seconded by Senator Stiles, that the Committee approve the request of Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors, to expend not more than \$69,800 from the Harbor Dredging and Pier Maintenance Fund for the purpose of; 1) effecting repairs at Division facilities on an as-needed basis for not more than \$50,000, and 2) conducting a routine inspection for the “Barker Wharf” for not more than \$19,800, subject to the conditions as specified in the request dated October 25, 2016. MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL:

The informational items were accepted and placed on file.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting of the Capital Budget Overview Committee was set for Wednesday, November 30, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. (Whereupon the meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.)

  
Representative John Cloutier, Clerk