CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES

February 3, 2009

The Capital Budget Overview Committee met on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 201 of the Legislative Office Building.

The following members were in attendance:

Representative Candace Bouchard, Chairman

Representative John Cloutier, Clerk

Representative Bernard Benn

Representative Daniel Eaton

Representative John Graham

Representative Douglas Scamman

Senator Lou D'Allesandro, Vice Chairman

Senator Michael Downing

Senator Harold Janeway

Senate President Sylvia Larsen

Acting Chairman Bouchard called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE:

On a motion by Representative Graham, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that Representative Bouchard be nominated as Chairman of the Capital Budget Overview Committee.

The nominations were closed and a unanimous vote was cast for Representative Bouchard for Chairman.

On a motion by Senator Janeway, seconded by Senator Downing, that Senator D'Allesandro be nominated as Vice Chairman of the Capital Budget Overview Committee.

The nominations were closed and a unanimous vote was cast for Senator D'Allesandro for Vice Chairman.

On a motion by Representative Graham, seconded by Senator Downing, that Representative Cloutier be nominated as Clerk of the Capital Budget Overview Committee.

The nominations were closed and a unanimous vote was cast for Representative Cloutier for Clerk.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Graham, with no second, that the minutes of the September 16, 2008 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

<u>CAP 09-005 Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors</u> – Geno Marconi, Director, Division of Ports and Harbors, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Scamman, seconded by Representative Eaton, that the Committee approve the request of the Pease Development Authority, Division of Ports and Harbors, to expend funds not to exceed \$18,000 from the Harbor Dredge and Pier Maintenance Fund for a Condition Survey and Concept Development of the Hampton Harbor Marine Facility, as specified in their letter and attachments dated December 2, 2008. MOTION ADOPTED.

CHAPTER 264:9, LAWS OF 2007, TRANSFERS:

<u>CAP 09-010 Department of Transportation</u> – Jeff Brillhart, Assistant Commissioner, Gail Hambleton, Information Technology Administrator, and Michael Pillsbury, Assistant Director of Operations, Department of Transportation presented the request and 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 to transfer the remaining funds of \$303,783, from the completed Hazen Drive – Roadway and Sidewalk Expansion project to the Energy/Environmental Renovations project, as specified in their letter dated January 26, 2009. MOTION ADOPTED.

LATE ITEM:

RSA 195-D:5, XVIII, GENERAL GRANT OF POWERS:

<u>CAP 09-011 University System of New Hampshire</u> – Dr. Edward MacKay, Chancellor-Elect, University System of New Hampshire, presented the request and responded to questions of the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that the Committee approve the request of the University System of New Hampshire ("USNH") to incur indebtedness in the form of tax exempt or taxable bonds and to participate in all transactions relating to the issuance, sale and delivery by the New Hampshire Health and Education Facilities Authority ("the Authority") of its "University System of New Hampshire Issue, Series 2009" Bonds ("2009 Bonds") in a principal amount not to exceed thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) from time to time in one or more series to finance (1) construction, renovation, demolition, property acquisition and related costs of the Plymouth State University ALLWell Ice Arena and the Keene State College Huntress Hall student residences, all as approved by the USNH Board of

Trustees or as may be approved by the USNH Board of Trustees in the future, consistent with the terms of the issue; (2) planning, design, construction and related costs associated with other student-related facilities that may be approved by the USNH Board of Trustees; and (3) such related issuance, capitalized interest, bond insurance and other costs as may be required; and further approved, the University System of New Hampshire may refinance any USNH Bonds that are outstanding from time to time issued by the Authority on behalf of USNH in whole or in part from this date until December 31, 2011 if it is determined by the USNH Board of Trustees that interest rates or other terms and conditions become favorable to USNH; and further approved, under no circumstances will the State be obligated, directly or indirectly, for the payment of, or interest on, any obligation issued to finance such construction and acquisition, as specified in their letter dated January 27, 2009. MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

<u>CAP 09-003 Department of Administrative Services</u> - Administrative Services' Public Works Design and Construction's Capital Budget and Maintenance Projects Monthly Report for November 2008.

Michael Connor, Director, Plant and Property Management, Department of Administrative Services responded to questions of the Committee regarding the Legislative Office Building roof.

<u>CAP 09-004 Community College System of New Hampshire</u> – Chapter 264, Laws of 2007 and Chapter 177:93, Laws of 2005 – Quarterly report (Item A) on capital projects for the period ending September 30, 2008 and a report (Item B) on the progress of the transfer of operation from Stratham to Pease.

Richard Gustafson, Chancellor, Community College System of New Hampshire, presented an update and responded to questions of the Committee. David Osgood, Director of Capital Planning, was also present to address the Committee.

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 will be at the call of the Chair. On a motion by Representative Eaton, seconded by Representative Cloutier, that the meeting adjourn. MOTION ADOPTED. (Whereupon the meeting adjourned)