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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, Authorizing the Commissioner of Conservation to Convey Land to Somerset County Formerly Known as the Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Somerset County wishes to purchase from the State a parcel of land for which the State has indicated it has no use; and

Whereas, the county needs to know prior to the termination of the 90-day period whether the purchase has been approved, in order for the county to receive a federal grant; and

Whereas, emergency enactment of this resolve will assist the county in the receipt and use of the grant; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Commissioner of Conservation; authorized to convey land. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Conservation is authorized and directed to convey to the County of Somerset by quitclaim deed, for the purchase price of \$5,000, all right, title and interest of the State in and to a certain parcel of land situated in the County of Somerset and State of Maine, and comprising a part of the property of the State formerly occupied by the Women's Correctional Center, consisting of 9 acres more or less, bounded and described as follows:

A parcel of land situated in the Town of Skowhegan, Somerset County, containing 9 acres more or less, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Norridgewock Avenue where Norridgewock Avenue is intersected by land of G. William Yeaton and Hector Chabot; thence northwesterly 1,240 feet; thence southwesterly 330 feet along the boundary of other land owned by the State of Maine, thence southeasterly 1,135 feet along the boundary of other land owned by the State of Maine, to Norridgewock Avenue; thence northeasterly along Norridgewock Avenue 340 feet to point of beginning.

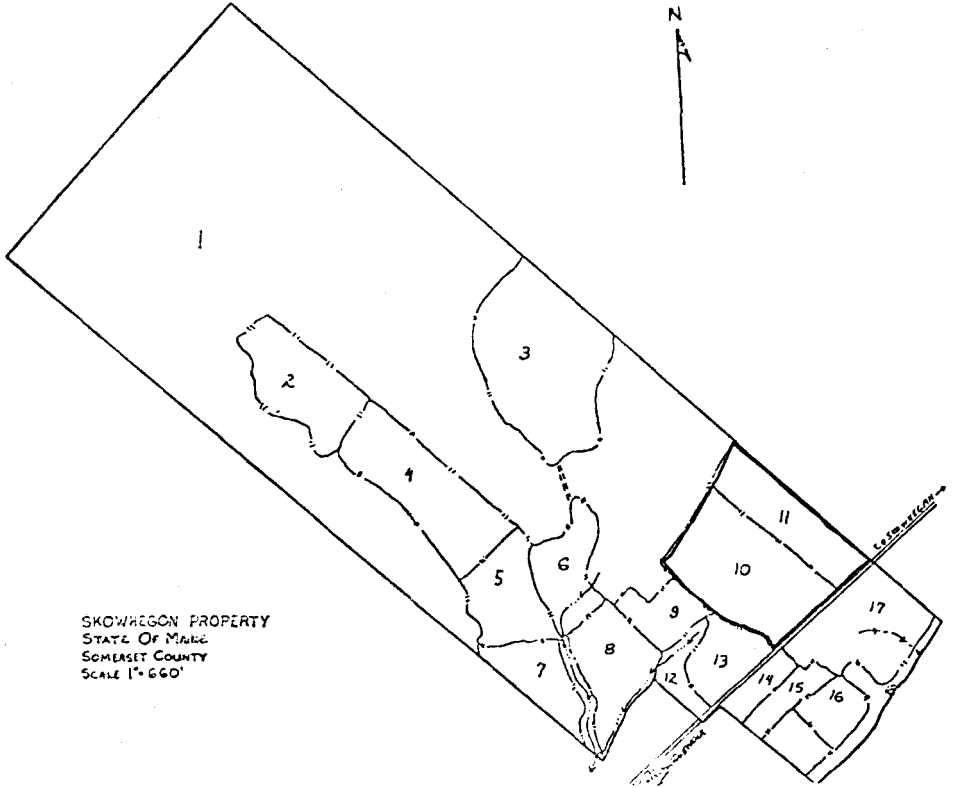
The quitclaim deed granted by the State through the Commissioner of Conservation shall contain a covenant that shall require that this parcel shall be used only for public purposes.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this amendment is to authorize the Commissioner of Conservation to sell to Somerset County about 9 acres of land which is part of the former Women's Correctional Center at Skowhegan. The parcel is indicated as #11 on the map attached. The land is to be sold for \$5,000.

The Somerset County Commissioners have indicated a desire to purchase **this parcel for use as a Somerset County park.** One part of this park is to be a county jail, to replace the current jail which is expected to be condemned by the State within 3 years. The county has filed an application for federal public works funds to assist in the construction of the jail. The county expects to be awarded the grant by spring, 1977. This resolve includes an emergency enactor, since the county will need to have title to this property before it can amend its grant application and since it must, by terms of the grant, begin construction within 90 days of its approval.



SKOWHEGON PROPERTY
STATE OF MAINE
SOMERSET COUNTY
SCALE 1" = 660'