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STATE OF MAINE

116th LEGISLATURE

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SARAH C. TUBBESING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

November 6, 1993

MEETING SUMMARY

Approved December 27, 1993

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Rep. Gwadosky, called the Legislative Council to order at 11:13 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators:	Sen. Dutremble, Sen. Esty, Sen. Cahill, Sen. Bustin, Sen. Carpenter
Representatives:	Speaker Martin, Rep. Gwadosky, Rep. Paradis, Rep. Zirkilton Absent: Rep. Whitcomb
Legislative Officers:	Sally Tubbesing, Executive Director, Legislative Council Margaret Matheson, Interim Revisor of Statutes Joy O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate Joseph Mayo, Clerk of the House

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Summary of the October 24 Council meeting was approved and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Dutremble; second by Sen. Bustin; unanimous).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Personnel Actions

Sally Tubbesing informed Council members that Carolin Hanoian had been hired to fill the vacant session-only secretarial position in the Office of Policy & Legal Analysis and noted that Ms. Hanoian's resume was in members' agenda packets.

Motion: That the Executive Director's report be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Cahill; unanimous).

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

• Search Committee for Revisor of Statutes

This item was tabled on the motion of Speaker Martin, until later in the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Remarks by the Bureau of General Services regarding the Structural Soundness of the State House. (Request of Rep. Patrick E. Paradis; tabled at October 24 meeting).

Motion: That the item be tabled. (Motion by Rep. Paradis; second by Speaker Martin; unanimous).

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Recommendation from State House & Capitol Park Commission to Award Contract for Restoration of State House Retaining Wall.

Ms. Tubbesing drew members' attention to information in their packets regarding the bids that had been received for repair and restoration of the granite retaining wall that surrounds the State House. She stated that the State House Commission had worked with the Bureau of General Services to prequalify both contractors and stone masons for this project and that all of the firms who bid had been prequalified.

Motion: That the Executive Director be authorized to enter a contract with Granger, Northern, Inc., with the provision that the work on the north steps and the iron fence be issued as amendments to the contract as funds become available.

(Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Bustin; unanimous).

Item #2: Consideration of Legislators' Appeals of Council Action on Bill Requests

Note: The results of the Council's action on appeals have been provided to individual legislators for their own bills. Copies of the Council's action on all appeals may be obtained from the Legislative Information Office.

Item #3: After Deadline Bill Requests

After deadline requests were considered by the Legislative Council. The Council's action on these requests is included on the attached list.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: That the Council go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel. (Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Cahill; unanimous).

The Council proceeded to go into Executive Session at 2:25 p.m.

RECONVENE

The Chair reconvened the regular Council meeting at 2:38 p.m.

Motion: That the Legislative Council authorize coverage under the Income Protection Plan to eligible employees as recommended. (Motion by Sen. Bustin; second by Speaker Martin; unanimous).

Motion: That Margaret E. Matheson be appointed to the position of Revisor of Statutes, effective Monday, November 8, and that she be assigned to Salary Range 14, Step 5. (Motion by Sen. Bustin; second by Speaker Martin; unanimous).

The Chair, Rep. Gwadosky congratulated Ms. Matheson on behalf of the entire Council. He noted that the Search Committee had had the good fortune to consider several qualified applicants and that the Committee's recommendation to the Council reflected Ms. Matheson's ability, her suitability, her genuine interest in the legislative institution, and her drafting skills.

Motion: That the Executive Director and the newly-appointed Revisor be authorized to fill the vacant Principal Analyst position and that the Council delegate to the Search Committee the authority to consider their recommendation. (Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Bustin; unanimous).

Sen. Esty inquired whether this review would not be more appropriately delegated to the Personnel Committee, and the Speaker replied that the sole intent of his motion was to ensure timely review of the recommendation. The motion stood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the Council at 3:40 p.m.