

## Kennebec County Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

6PM to 8PM in Waterville at City Hall 46 Front Street

Members present: Ray Bates, Jon Beekman, Shawn Dixon, Charlie Hippler, Kathryn Mills Woodsum.

Members absent: Eric Austin, Lloyd Irland, Michael Perkins.

Commissioners Present: Patsy Crockett, George Jabar, Joseph Pietroski.

1. Meeting was called to order by Kathryn Woodsum at 6PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Hearing: Kathryn noted the two handouts available for the public tonight. Public Hearing opened at 6:03PM.
  - a. One resident, three Commissioners, various County Officials and Budget Committee members spoke to issues of concern. Aaron White of the Winthrop Town Council addressed several items of concern to Winthrop and the County.
  - b. Commissioner Pietroski asked the Budget Committee to hold off on adopting the County budget until the State Legislature acts on jail funding. He would also like to consider utilizing \$300,000 from fund balances.
  - c. It was noted that the County budget must be adopted 60 days prior to the new fiscal year which begins July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - d. Public Hearing closed at 6:53.
1. Meeting was adjourned at 6:54.

Respectfully submitted by Kathryn Mills Woodsum.

Approved 4-1-26.