

## Government Operations Committee

### Minutes

February 1, 2016

Councilors Present: Plourde, Graham, Nichols, Perry, Sprague, Faircloth, Durgin, Nealley  
Staff Present: Farrar, Fogler, Hathaway  
Others Present: Ray Bessette

Councilor Graham called the meeting to Order at 5:15 pm

1. Acceptance and Appropriation of Shelter Plus Care Grant in the amount of \$31,762.

Public Health and Community Services Department Social Services Manager Rindy Fogler explained the nature and purpose of the Shelter Plus Care grant and associated funding. It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Graham and unanimously voted to recommend approval to the full Council.

2. Proposal to Provide Police Services to Husson University during the Academic Year.

Police Chief Hathaway introduced Ray Bessette, Director of Security at Husson University. Husson has expressed interest in having a Bangor Police Officer assigned to the campus on a full-time basis for the academic year (9 months). The Chief supports the request and he explained that this would be an enhancement of the existing relationship. Husson would pay all costs associated with the position for the nine month period, including any over-time costs. The officer would return to the PD during the summer months, when the need for extra patrol officers for city service increases. Mr. Bessette explained the need for the position and indicated that the assigned officer could also assist with issues involving Husson students off campus, which would help the Department's workload. Councilors commented about the benefits of the arrangement and the positive relationship between the City and the University. It was moved by Graham, seconded by Sprague and voted unanimously to recommend approval to the full Council. This item will appear on the February 22<sup>nd</sup> Council agenda as the details of the agreement are being finalized.

With no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 pm.