



# GPCOG Annual Meeting of the General Assembly MINUTES

May 25, 2023

**In Attendance:**

Name	Affiliation
Jarrold Maxfield, President	Windham
Carmen Lone	Bridgton
Carrye Castleman-Ross	Bridgton
Jeremy Gabrielson	Cape Elizabeth
Scott Avery	Casco
Mary Fernandes	Casco
Shirley Storey-King	Cumberland
Sue Witonis	Cumberland County
Jim Gailey	Cumberland County
Joseph Tomm	Durham
Ted Asherman	Falmouth
Tommy Johnson	Falmouth
John Egan	Freeport
Caroline Pelletier	Freeport
Krista Chappell	Gray
Bill Kerbin	New Gloucester
Kit Maloney	North Yarmouth
Pious Ali	Portland
Jessica Grondin	Portland
Angela Blanchette	Scarborough
Misha Pride	South Portland
Kate Lewis	South Portland
Sarah Gaba	Standish
Tasha Pinkham	Standish
Michael Foley	Westbrook
Jerre Bryant	Westbrook
Jarrold Maxfield	Windham

David Nadeau	Windham
Robert Burns	Windham

## Call to Order and Welcome

Jarrold Maxfield called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm and welcomed all attendees.

## Acceptance of 5/26/22 minutes

Jarrold Maxfield asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the 5/26/22 General Assembly meeting. Acceptance of the minutes was moved by Sue Witonis, seconded by Mary Fernandes. A vote was conducted, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

## Proposed FY 24 Priorities and Budget

Kristina Egan presented the FY 2023-2024 GPCOG agency budget of approximately \$5.2M. This included the Executive Committee's recommendation to assess dues at \$2.10 per capita, as detailed in the materials found [here](#) and distributed to attendees.

The FY24 budget supports GPCOG's priorities for the coming year, including:

- Attracting federal, state, and private resources to the region;
- Continuing to deliver high-quality member services;
- Expanding transportation and housing choices throughout the region for everyone;
- Doing our part in meeting the goals of *Maine Won't Wait*;
- Supporting internal diversity, equity, and inclusion; and
- Improving internal GPCOG systems.

Egan summarized the FY 24 budget (see [linked materials](#)) by:

- Revenues and expenses;
- Revenues by program;
- Revenues by sources; and
- Expenses by categories.

She also discussed the member dues included in the FY 23 budget, and outlined how member dues dollars (\$344,000) are used as match to leverage state and federal grants for the region (\$3,227,842), and to provide flexible funding for unanticipated member needs.

Jarrold Maxfield asked for questions and discussion. There were none.

Jerre Bryant moved to accept the FY 24 budget as presented. David Nadeau seconded the motion. A vote was conducted, and the budget was approved by majority vote.

### **Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members**

Jarrold Maxfield presented the slate of GPCOG Officers and Executive Committee members for FY 2023-2024:

Jarrold Maxfield, **Windham** Town Council - President  
Mary Fernandes, **Casco** Select Board – First Vice President  
Krista Chappell, **Gray** Town Councilor – Second Vice President  
Jerre Bryant, **Westbrook** City Administrator  
Mark Dion, **Portland** City Councilor  
Kate Lewis, **South Portland** Mayor  
Carmen Lone, Chair, **Bridgton** Select Board  
Matthew Sturgis, **Cape Elizabeth** Town Manager  
Nat Tupper, **Yarmouth** Town Manager  
Sue Witonis, **Cumberland County** Commissioner  
Viktoria Wood, **Chebeague Island** Town Administrator

Michael Foley moved to approve the slate. Kate Lewis seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no further nominations. A vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Adjourn**

At 2:19 pm Jarrold Maxfield asked for adjournment by acclamation. All approved.