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## MAINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

### Convention Planning Committee Meeting

Red Barn in Augusta

11:30 am Friday, June 19, 2020

Welcome Meeting Attendees:

Abby Shanor, Diana Messina, Owen Smith, Lauren Haven

2021 Convention Update

Potential Host Sunday River

Lauren Haven explained the Executive Committee met separately via Zoom on Wednesday, June 17th. One of the topics discussed was the proposed contract with Sunday River. They debated over the continuation of the convention, the length of the event, and the revenue verses the use of resources. Lauren did mention Sunday River will not hold the dates for long without a signed contract in place. She will ask the board to reconsider the contract at the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. The Executive Committee also discussed having the Professionalism in Management Committee take over the convention planning. This committee is led by Vice President Mike Cote. At this time, it's not clear what exactly that would mean. Lauren will keep the group up to date on any developments.

Discuss 2020 Convention Follow-up

Vendor notification

All vendors who regularly participate in the annual convention have been sent an email notification regarding the cancellation of the 2020 convention.

#### Entertainment reimbursement and lost revenue

Lauren checked with the company about the details of the chapter seven filing. She was informed there were no assets to liquidate to refund MCCA for the \$1,200 payment. However, Lauren explained MCCA had applied for the Paycheck Protection Program and was approved. This will provide compensation for the loss of revenue expected from the convention in the 2020 budget as well as the \$500 deposit to Sunday River if we do not renew the contract, and the bankruptcy of the band.

#### One-Day Event

The Executive Committee also talked about the possibility of organizing a one-day meeting for commissioners in September featuring a round table discussion and ending with an awards dinner. The CPC group offered ideas for setting up this event if the board wants to move forward with this plan. It would be contingent upon gathering restrictions at that time.

#### Discuss July Meeting

The group decided to continue with a meeting in July to discuss any updates. Lauren will poll the group for an agreeable date. The group was also in favor of meeting at a restaurant where the current CDC guidelines for sanitation are being met and monitored.