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NOTICE

TO: Key Municipal Officials of MMA Member Municipalities

FROM: MMA Nominating Committee

Chair James Bennett., MMA Past President (City Manager, City of Biddeford) Sophia Wilson, MMA Past President (Town Manager, Town of Orono)

Dustin Ward, Selectperson, Town of New Gloucester

Michelle Beal, Councilor, City of Ellsworth Kim Sparks, Town Manager, Town of Greenwood

RE: Proposed Slate for 2024 MMA Vice President and Executive Committee Members

DATE: May 18, 2023

The MMA Nominating Committee is pleased to put forth the <u>Proposed Slate for MMA Vice President and Executive</u> <u>Committee Members</u> to serve on the MMA Executive Committee. The MMA Executive Committee is the governing body of the Maine Municipal Association and is made up of three officers and nine members. The officers are elected to serve one-year terms and the members are elected to serve staggered three-year terms.

The MMA nominating process is taken seriously and involves careful consideration of many factors to assure that there is good representation on the MMA Executive Committee based on geographical location, population size, elected vs. appointed officials, etc. The Nominating Committee interviewed candidates for the Vice President and Executive Committee positions.

NOMINEE FOR MMA VICE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to the MMA Bylaws, individuals who have served as a member of the Executive Committee for at least one year within the past five years are eligible to serve as the MMA Vice President. Accordingly, the MMA Nominating Committee has proposed the following candidate to serve as the MMA Vice President for a one-year term (January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024):

MELISSA DOANE, TOWN MANAGER, TOWN OF BRADLEY

NOMINEES FOR MMA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Also pursuant to the MMA Bylaws, candidates for the Executive Committee must be from a member municipality and serve as a municipal officer (a selectperson or councilor of a town; a mayor, alderman or councilor of a city); a city or town manager; or the chief appointed administrative official of a member municipality. Executive Committee members may serve no more than two consecutive three-year terms except to serve as President, Vice President or Immediate Past President.

The Nominating Committee has proposed the following candidates to serve as <u>new MMA</u> Executive Committee members for full three-year terms (January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2026):

SHILOH LaFRENIERE, TOWN MANAGER, TOWN OF JAY

NATHANIEL RUDY, TOWN MANAGER, TOWN OF GRAY

DINA WALKER, SELECTPERSON, TOWN OF WELD

Municipal officials who will advance or continue to serve their respective terms on the MMA Executive Committee include:

Officers: (serving a 1-year term ending December 31, 2024)

President: Diane Hines, Town Manager, Town of Ludlow & Reed Plantation

Immediate Past President: Elaine Aloes, Chair of Selectboard, Town of Solon)

Members:

Serving 3-year terms ending December 31, 2024
David Cyr, Town Manager, Town of Frenchville
Melissa Doane, Town Manager, Town of Bradley (if elected Vice President, her seat will become vacant 1/1/2024)
Justin Poirier, Town Manager, Town of Monmouth

Serving 3-year terms ending December 31, 2025 Phil Crowell, City Manager, City of Auburn Anthony Ward, Town Manager, Town of Casco David Nadeau, Councilor, Town of Windham

PETITION PROCESS

Pursuant to the MMA Bylaws, nominations may also be made by Petition signed by a majority of the municipal officers in each of at least five (5) member municipalities. Such petitions must be filed with the MMA Executive Director no later than 40 days prior to the date of the Annual Election. Accordingly, the deadline for Nominations by Petition is <u>4:30 p.m.</u> on Friday, July 7, 2023. The <u>Petition Form</u> is available for use by any municipality that wishes to nominate an additional candidate. A candidate for the Executive Committee must be a municipal officer (a selectperson or councilor of a town; a mayor, alderman or councilor of a city); a city or town manager; or the chief appointed administrative official of a member municipality. A candidate for vice president must have served on the MMA Executive Committee for at least one year within the past five years.

ELECTION PROCESS

Once the petition process is complete in July, the official VOTING BALLOT will be mailed to each member municipality for municipal officials to cast their vote. The Voting Ballot will include the Proposed Slate as recommended by the MMA Nominating Committee and any successful petition candidate. The Voting Ballots will be counted under the direction of the MMA President James Bennett, City Manager, City of Biddeford on Friday, August 18, 2023.

The following is a direct link to the area of MMA's website where you can access information to-date on the MMA Nomination, Petition & Election Process: https://www.memun.org/About-Us/Governance/MMA-Nomination-Process.

If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding the nomination, petition and election process, please visit the MMA website at www.memun.org or contact Theresa Chavarie, Manager of Member Relations & Executive Office at 1-800-452-8786 ext. 2211 or by e-mail at tchavarie@memun.org.