

Councilmember	In-Person	Remote	Absent	Notes
Amber Pulcifer		X		
Ben Mann	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald		X		
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover		X		
Joe Everett		X		
Liz Blackwell-Moore		X		arrived @ 2:30
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett			X	
Pat Kimball			X	
Paul Vinsel	X			arrived @ 2:15pm
Tess Parks	X			arrived @ 2:15pm
Todd Brackett		X		

**Date:**

3/13/25

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Date: 3/13/25 Meeting: Full Council Recorded by: Grayson H.

Councilmember	Yay	Nay	Abstain	Notes
Amber Pulcifer	X			
Ben Mann 2	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith 1	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett	X			
Liz Blackwell-Moore				absent
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
Paul Vinsel				absent
Tess Parks				absent
Todd Brackett	X			

Motion: approve last meeting (Feb) minutes

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Date: 3/13/25 Meeting: Full Council II Recorded by: Grayson H.

Councilmember	Yay	Nay	Abstain	Notes
Amber Pulcifer	X			
Ben Mann			X	
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith 1	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett	X			
Liz Blackwell-Moore				absent
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
Paul Vinsel				absent
Tess Parks				absent
Todd Brackett 2	X			

**Motion:** to add the Aroostook County Recovery High School to the state of passed community grant funding for a total of \$616,037

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Amber Pulcifer	X			
Ben Mann	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
2 Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett				absent
Liz Blackwell-Moore				absent
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				
Pat Kimball				absent
1 Paul Vinsel	X			
Tess Parks	X			
Todd Brackett				absent

**Motion:** Accept the draft public comment as written, incorporating the amendments suggested at the meeting on 3/13

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## MRC procedure for public comment at monthly MRC meetings

The Maine Recovery Council feels it is important that the people of Maine have a voice in the work of the council. Currently those interested may contact the MRC by email, or speak at the yearly public forum. The MRC would like to increase the ability of the public to comment on issues related to the work of the MRC. The MRC is particularly interested in voices of people with lived or living experience with substance use, and those affected by the opioid epidemic.

Beginning at the MRC meeting May 8, 15 minutes of the meeting will be scheduled for public comment. This will occur early in the meeting, after the introduction of MRC members and staff. MRC chair will moderate public comment unless the chair delegates this to another council member. Public comment may be given in person or on the Zoom video thread for the meeting. Those interested in giving public comment should email the MRC prior to the meeting and notify the MRC if the comment will be given in person or by Zoom video. Requests to give comment at MRC meeting should be submitted beginning at 8am the Monday prior to the meeting. The MRC will make a schedule for the public comment, based on a first come first served basis. Once all comment slots are full, people will need to wait until the following month to request to give public comment. Requests for public comment will not carry over to the subsequent MRC meeting. Each person giving comment will have 3 minutes to comment. At the end of 3 minutes the speaker will be asked to stop. The speaker may give further comment to the MRC by email. The comments should be regarding the work of the MRC and do not necessarily need to regard items currently on the agenda of the MRC. Public comments during this time shall not include a request for funding for specific individuals or organizations. All public comment should be respectful of all people and groups involved. Any use of foul language, threatening language, raising of voice, or disrespectful language will be cause for the moderator stopping the speaker.

Those making public comment should not expect an immediate response from the MRC or expect further discussion of the comment. Any MRC member may respond to the public comment by sending email through the executive director of MRC. If an individual council member is responding to a comment by email, they should cc the MRC info email.

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Ben Mann	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett				absent
Liz Blackwell-Moore			X	
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
Paul Vinsel	X			
Tess Parks	X			
Todd Brackett				absent

**Motion:** To table the emergent funding policy

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Amber Pulcifer	X			
Ben Mann	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett				absent
Liz Blackwell-Moore	X			
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
Paul Vinsel	X			
Tess Parks	X			
Todd Brackett				absent

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Motion: To achieve the goal of supporting or expanding culturally relevant, community-led and youth-led efforts that improve community conditions in communities highly impacted by OVD, the Council will allocate \$1.95M to Community colitions through an RFP process, and \$50,000 to HRiA to Provide technical assistance. Funding can be spent over 4 years.

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Ben Mann	X			
Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett				absent
1 Liz Blackwell-Moore	X			
Maggie McLoughlin	X			
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
2 Paul Vinsel	X			
Tess Parks	X			
Todd Brackett				absent

**Motion:** To achieve the goal of increasing two generation approaches to prevention with a focus on families who have been impacted by OUD and/or families that live in communities highly impacted, the Council will allocate \$1M to organizations to implement, expand, or enhance two-generation programming through an RFP process. Funding can be spent over 3 years.

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Betsy Fitzgerald	X			
Bruce Noddin	X			
Chasity Tuell	X			
1 Gordon Smith	X			
Holly Stover	X			
Joe Everett				absent
Liz Blackwell-Moore			X	
Maggie McLoughlin			X	
Melissa Hackett				absent
Pat Kimball				absent
2 Paul Vinsel	X			
Tess Parks	X			
Todd Brackett				absent

**Motion:** To achieve the goal of increased funding and evidence-informed efforts at the State and local-level to prevent and reduce high risk substance use among the 18-25yr population, the Council will allocate \$1M to the MECDC to contract or hire a MECDC Staff Person and fund local efforts through the Maine Prevention Network. Funding can be spent over 3 years.