



STATE OF VERMONT
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 6, 2020

Minutes

Video Conference

Members present: Representatives Ancel, Johnson, Kimbell, and LaClair and Senators Benning, Kitchel, and Mazza.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and Representative Ancel moved to approve the minutes of December 20, 2019, and Senator Kitchel seconded the motion. The Committee approved the motion and adopted the minutes on a unanimous vote.

The Committee received an update from Janet Miller, Sergeant at Arms, and Matthew Romei, Chief of Capitol Police, on the Freeman, French and Freeman study on space available for the Legislature to utilize for the January 2021 legislative session safely considering COVID-19 and discussed logistics with room options. Chris Cole, Commissioner, Department of Buildings & General Services, added information regarding the assessment of the Legislature and meeting spaces. The Committee agreed to include at its next meeting testimony from Luke Martland, John Bloomer, and Bill MaGill on the parameters in terms of where the Legislature can meet and under what circumstances.

The Committee received and discussed a summary of Act 144 of 2020 from Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Director, Legislative Counsel, and information from Mike Ferrant, Director of Operations, on the State of Maine job description for its Human Resources Director.

The Committee requested for the next meeting updates from the Joint Fiscal Office on legislative office budgets and from the Director of Operations and the Joint Fiscal Office on posting the Human Resources Director position.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. via video conference. The Committee adjourned at 10:53 a.m. on a motion by Senator Kitchel and a second by Representative LaClair.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Utton-Jerman, Committee Staff