

**Legislative & Nominating
Committee Minutes**
April 12, 2022



MEMBERS
Councilor April Fournier, Chair
Mayor Kate Snyder
Councilor Pious Ali

I. ZOOM INFORMATION:

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II. Call to Order

Chair Fournier called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM.

Councilor April Fournier (Chair), Mayor Kate Snyder, Councilor Pious Ali, Dena Libner (Chief of

Staff), Sheba Brown (Executive Office Manager), Chief Sean Donaghue (Portland Fire Department), Kate Knox (Bernstein Shur), Alysia Melnick (Bernstein Shur), and Chris Feeney (Bernstein Shur) were in attendance.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. Draft Minutes from April 6, 2022

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Ali to Approve the minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting, vote (3-0)

IV. Legislative Update

a. Update from Bernstein Shur

Kate Knox, Alysia Melnick, and Chris Feeney provided updates on committee work and the appropriations process in the legislature.

V. Other Business

a. For Consideration: Draft Comment on Proposed Revision of Chapter 21 Rule re: Immunization (Chief Keith Gautreau)

Maine EMS, a division of the Department of Public Safety, has proposed a revision to its rules to require that all licensees be vaccinated against influenza. Written comments are being accepted until April 22. The Fire Department is seeking Legislative & Nominating Committee support for their comment (included as backup).

The Committee discussed the proposed revision of this rule with input from Chief Sean Donaghue. Motion was made by Chair Fournier and seconded by Mayor Snyder to approve testimony on this rule change, vote (3-0)

VI. Adjournment

Mayor Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Ali, vote (3-0). Meeting adjourned at 8:33 AM