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**Bangor Local Council Agenda**

**July 22, 2025**  
**5PM – 7PM**

In person at Bangor Public Library (Board Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor) *and*  
 via Zoom Video Conferencing

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<p>1.</p> <p>Kandie</p>	<p><b><u>Welcome, Introductions, Review Meeting Guidelines, &amp; Housekeeping</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Attendance/Ice breaker:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Staff:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Guest:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Establish Quorum:</u></b></p> <p>Y ___ N ___      <b><u>Meeting called to order at:</u></b></p>
<p>2.</p> <p>Kandie</p>	<p><b><u>Forum Topic: “Forced Treatment”</u></b></p>
<p>3.</p> <p>Renee</p>	<p><b><u>Review &amp; Adopt Meeting Agenda and Previous Meeting’s Minutes:</u></b> <i>(Vote)</i></p> <p><i>A) Review and adopt the current meeting’s agenda.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Motion to adopt made by:</i></li> <li>• <i>2<sup>nd</sup> by:</i></li> <li>• <i>Discussion:</i></li> <li>• Y ___ N ___ A ___</li> </ul>



	<p><b>B) Review and adopt meeting minutes from June 24,2024</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to adopt made by:</li><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> by:</li><li>• Discussion:</li><li>• Y___ N___ A___</li></ul>
4.  All	<p><b><u>New Business:</u></b></p>
5.  Kandie  Laurie  Jason  Sarah	<p><b><u>CCSM Reports:</u> (No Vote)</b></p> <p><b>A) SCC Report this month:</b></p> <p><b>B) Issues Subcommittee Report:</b></p> <p><b>C) Legislative Subcommittee Report:</b></p> <p><b>D) Office Update:</b></p>
6.  All	<p><b><u>OUTREACH:</u></b></p> <p><i>*Intentional – Planned meeting/discussion</i></p> <p><i>*Spontaneous -impulsive, spur of the moment</i></p> <p><b>Where did you do CCSM outreach?</b></p>
7.  Kandie	<p><b><u>Discuss Current Local Issues Statement Work:</u></b></p>



8.  Brian	<u><b>Follow Up Business:</b></u>		
9.  Brian  <hr/> All	<u><b>Future Agenda Items:</b></u>  <u><b>Community Updates and Announcement</b></u>		
10. Assigned Tasks:	<u><b>Who?</b></u>	<u><b>When?</b></u>	
<i>Pre-read all meeting materials and attend next month's LC Meeting</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	
<i>Prepare Agenda and submit it to Outreach Coordinator</i>  <hr/> <i>Minutes, work with chair on minutes, then send to Outreach Coordinator</i>  <hr/> <i>Send out meeting documents to all Local Councilor Members</i>	<b>Kandie</b>  <hr/> <b>Renee</b>  <hr/> <b>Sarah</b>	<i>Monthly</i>  <i>10 days after meeting</i>  <hr/> <i>At least 15 days prior to the next meeting.</i>	
11.  Brian  <hr/> 12.  Brian	<u><b>Evaluation, Recap:</b></u>  <b>What went well?</b>  <b>How can we improve our meetings?</b>  <hr/> <b>Meeting Wrap Up:    Next meeting: Aug. 26, 2025</b>		



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**Local Council Business Minutes From**

**Date:** July 22, 2025

*Meeting Held via Zoom Video Conferencing*

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1. **Welcome, Introductions, Attendance & Review Zoom Meeting Guidelines**

**Check In & Ice Breaker**

**Attendees:**      **Excused:**

**Via Zoom:** Renee, Kandie (left at 5:45pm), Laurie, Jason and DinDin

**Chair:** Kandie    **Secretary:** Renee    **Staff:** Sarah

**Guests Speaker:**

**Quorum Established?**  Yes  No

**Meeting called to order:**  5:00 pm



2.	<p><b><u>Review &amp; Adopt Meeting Agenda and Previous Meeting's Minutes:</u></b> (Vote)</p> <p><b>A)</b> Review and adopt the current meeting agenda.</p> <p><i>Motion was made by Jason to adopt this Meeting's Agenda. It was seconded by Kandie. Was there any discussion? (<b>No</b>) Motion (<b>Carried</b>) with 4 (<b>in favor of</b>), 0 opposed to, and 1 abstention.</i></p> <p><b>B)</b> Review and adopt June 24, 2025, meeting minutes.</p> <p><i>Motion was made by Kandie to adopt the minutes. It was seconded by DinDin. Was there any discussion? <b>No</b></i></p> <p><i>The Motion (<b>Carried</b>) with 4 in favor of, 0 opposed to, and 1 abstentions.</i></p>
3.	<p><b><u>New Business:</u></b></p> <p>Jason's written report on housing issues was voted unanimously to be sent on to the Issues Committee. While it was not written in the format our Issue Statements usually are, we hope that it will demonstrate the passion held by Jason and other members of our area around the significant housing issue.</p>
4.	<p><b>A) SCC Reports:</b> SCC meeting was cancelled this month due to Opioid summit conflict for our invited quest.</p> <p><b>B) Issues Committee Report:</b> Worked on mental health directives. Kevin from DRM talked about what other states are doing for QR's. Federal grants were cut or didn't go through. Maine.gov on advanced directives and apprised talked about new transportation things. DOE got the big contract on working on transportation in Southern Maine in 2023. Career Centers in Farmington are not allowed to call on mon and weds. Kandie talked about Edie Smith being invited to next months meeting.</p> <p><b>C) Legislative Report:</b> CCSM has Testified on LD Bills. Gov Mills has helped and opposed some things on housing and mental health things.</p> <p><b>D) Office Update:</b> Vickie McCarty retired from the office however she will be joining the Augusta Local. New Podcast is coming out on Peer Art Part in August. August 15<sup>th</sup> we are having a Peer Art celebration at the office in Augusta from 12-3 (Please share with others) Peer Art Calendar coming out in august as well.</p>



	<p><b>Follow Up Business:</b> See Office Update</p> <p><b>Future Agenda Items:</b> None</p> <p><b>Community Updates and Announcements:</b> Continuing to talk about the current Forum Topic on Forced Treatments</p>		
5.	<p><b>Forum Topic:</b> “Forced Treatment”</p> <p>Forcing People to take meds that have adverse reactions on them with side effects plus they are affecting the reason why they are taking it in the first place. LD 1266 expands via Drug ports and Mental Health systemic issues with what it is. Example: Within the last 2 years places are sending ppl home with meds from dr’s offices and then they go to hospitals and are given more of the same meds as an overdosing situation cause the dr’s at the hospitals or other places are not paying attention to their patients records. Jason posted on LD 1266 Expand Court ordered treatment via treatment courts, Signed June 20, 2025. LD 1239 Increase transparency on involuntary admission denials Failed Died May 14,2025 and LD 1799 Review and Streamline existing involuntary treatment process was killed this session. People are being put on meds in mental health places and hospitals but meds are changed by dr’s that the go to because they either can afford them or it’s not on their med list. We need more forced Housing and forced Rights.</p>		
6.	<p><b>Where did you do CCSM Outreach?</b> Laurie posted posters and CCSM flyers. Jason did outreach at the Cooling Center and delivered the monthly CCSM calendar. Kandie spent over two hours at the Penobscot County Jail speaking with residents at the jail.</p>		
7	<p><b>Discuss Current Local Issue Statement Work:</b></p>		
8.	<p><b><u>Meeting Recap &amp; Task List</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Who?</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>When?</u></b></p>
	<p>Pre-read all meeting materials</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Monthly</p>
	<p>Attend next Local Council Meeting</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Monthly</p>
	<p>Prepare Agenda and submit to Outreach Coordinator</p>	<p>Chair</p>	



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Prepare Minutes and submit to Outreach Coordinator	Secretary	
Send all meeting documents to Local Council members at least 15 days before the next meeting per the Governance Guidelines.	Outreach Coordinator	
	<b>Task</b>	<b>Who's Responsible</b>
	<b>Send minutes</b>	<b>Kandie</b>
		<b>Due Date</b>
		<b>Within 10 days</b>

<b>9.</b>	<p><b><u>Meeting Evaluation:</u></b></p> <p><b>What went well?</b> Made quorum, stayed focused, and stayed on topic. Jason liked that we were all on zoom and able to really hear each other well.</p> <p><b>How can we improve our meetings?</b> Improving attendance</p>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b><u>Meeting Wrap Up:</u></b></p> <p>Next Meeting will be on August 26, 2025, in person at Bangor Public Library AND via ZOOM</p>	