

To: MMA's Legislative Policy Committee
Fr: Melissa Doane, Chair
Re: Notice and Agenda for the October 23, 2024 LPC Meeting
Date: October 16, 2024

The next meeting of the Legislative Policy Committee is scheduled for:

**Wednesday, October 23, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Maine Municipal Association**

Zoom Option Available:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89595298949?pwd=tF9ZQZ5mHOaydrL1VgaOsHS3oi9EMB.1>

The LPC will convene on Wednesday to continue developing MMA's 2025-2026 legislative platform. Due to the number and breadth of the recommendations being generated by the working groups, the October meeting will be focused on providing staff with the direction and feedback necessary to draft legislation for the policy committee's review in November.

In other words, we will be meeting on November 20 to finalize our platform.

While Zoom participation will be offered as an option, I strongly encourage all policy committee members to participate in-person to better facilitate the process for identifying the legislation necessary to meet our collective policy priorities. Again, please consider joining us at MMA next Wednesday.

On that note, to help staff plan for lunch and meeting materials, **let Laura Ellis (lellis@memun.org) know before noon on Monday, October 18** if you intend to participate in the meeting at MMA.

As always, I look forward to seeing you next week. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to email or call Kate Dufour at kdufour@memun.org or 207-592-4038.

Thank you.

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Introductions (10:00 – 10:15 a.m.)**
 - Attendance and mileage reimbursement sheet

II. Regional Meetings Update & Member Outreach Request (10:15 – 10:30 a.m.)

- Upcoming Meetings
 - October 24 @ 6:00 p.m., Somerset County Jail, Madison
 - October 28 @ 5:00 p.m., Maine Municipal Association
 - October 30 @ 6:00 p.m., Katahdin Higher Education Center/EMCC, East Millinocket
 - November 7 @ 6:00 p.m., University of Maine, Machias
 - November 14 @ 6:00 p.m., Farmington
 - November 12 @ 6:00 p.m., Alfred

III. Agenda Development (10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. with a noon break.)

- LPC Working Group Updates, Discussion & Feedback
 - Housing & General Assistance (from September 18)
 - Model ordinance packets for vacation property impact fees and county General Assistance program administration.
 - Property Tax Reform
 - Unfunded Mandates
 - Public Safety & Jail Operations
 - PFAS
- Updates Potential Platform Bills (**if any**)
 - 100% Funding for Special Education
 - Tax Lien Foreclosure Law
 - Economic TIF Use for All Municipal Buildings
 - Non-residential LEO Certification & Training for Maine Residents
 - Tree Growth Reform, Transparency & Reimbursement
 - Local Option Sales Tax
 - Increase Homestead Exemption Reimbursement
 - Limit Veterans' Excise Tax Exemption

IV. Adjourn