

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

April 21, 2020

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners via Zoom video/ teleconference per amended open meeting law requirements was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Pallotta held a roll call vote: Chairman Daniel A. Pallotta–Present, Commissioner Sandra M. Wright–Present and Commissioner Gregory M. Hanley–Present.

Also, in attendance were Register of Deeds John Buckley, Treasurer Thomas O’Brien, Deputy Treasurer Jeffrey Welch, 4-H Extension Director Molly Vollmer, County Attorney Shannon Resnick, Superintendent of Buildings Doug Wedge, and Executive Assistant Nancy O’Rourke.

Meeting Minute Acceptance: March 12, 2020

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of March 12, 2020. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to accept and approve payroll

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve payroll as recommended by the Treasurer. Commissioner Hanley seconded.

Vote: Roll Call–Chairman Pallotta–Yes, Commissioner Wright–Yes, Commissioner Hanley–Yes

Vote to accept and approve vendor vouchers

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve vendor vouchers as recommended by the Treasurer. Commissioner Hanley seconded.

Vote: Roll Call–Chairman Pallotta–Yes, Commissioner Wright–Yes, Commissioner Hanley–Yes

Vote to accept and approve CPS Forms:

Maureen Roche–appoint as permanent full-time custodian JG 2-1; Christopher Kelly–Step Increase JG 4-6; Richard Connolly–Step Increase JG 13-4

Commissioner Wright made a motion to accept and approve the personnel status form as listed. Commissioner Hanley seconded.

Vote: Roll Call–Chairman Pallotta–Yes, Commissioner Wright–Yes, Commissioner Hanley–Yes

Treasurer’s report

Treasurer O’Brien reports the vendor vouchers are being processed and paid per the usual schedule and discussions will be upcoming for the FY 2021 budget process. Treasurer O’Brien confirmed the 2% stipend for all employees will be in the next payroll on May 6th.

Extension Director's report

4-H Director Molly Vollmer briefed the Commissioners on National Volunteer Week events as well as the successful week of National Dog Bite preventions. Cathy Acampora was able to hold several virtual presentations. County Entomologist Blake Dinius continues with the busy tick season being in full swing and holding virtual programs county wide. Molly reports she has applied for 2 grants for the County Farm. Chairman Pallotta reports the Greenhouse has been ordered.

Maintenance Superintendent's report

Superintendent Wedge briefed the Commissioners on the installation of gas lines at the Hingham District Courthouse currently on hold due to U. S. Air skeleton crews. Interior windows have been installed at the Wareham Courthouse and exterior windows at Brockton Superior Courthouse.

Register's report

Register Buckley reports the deeds excise numbers for April will be available for the May meeting. The estimates had been over \$400,000 through the first 9 months of FY 20. Register Buckley has concerns for employees testing positive for COVID-19 and approved sick time per the Federal guidelines. Chairman Pallotta assured Register Buckley each case would be reviewed, and the County will adhere to all Federal and State guidelines.

Update-Federal and State Legislation re: COVID-19 virus

Chairman Pallotta and Treasurer O'Brien discussed the recent Federal and State legislation approved. The County has applied for a portion of the \$150 billion stimulus package. Plymouth County hopes to be awarded \$90 million for the member towns and the City of Brockton to provide assistance during the pandemic. Commissioner Hanley will be the Plymouth County NACO representative on an upcoming conference call with the Governor's office.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to accept the CARES Act Federal Grant upon final approval. Commissioner Hanley seconded.

Vote: Roll Call-Chairman Pallotta-Yes, Commissioner Wright-Yes, Commissioner Hanley-Yes

Any business not foreseen

Chairman Pallotta announced he will not be seeking re-election in November.

The Zoom video/teleconference call was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Documents and/or exhibits

- Meeting Minutes-March 12, 2020

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
Executive Assistant