

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

April 28, 2020

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners via Zoom video/ teleconference per amended open meeting law requirements was called to order at 4:00 p.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, County Attorney Shannon Resnick, and Executive Assistant Nancy O’Rourke.

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

Discussion and possible vote–CARES Act

Chairman Pallotta briefed the Board on recent discussions held with the Secretary of A & F Michael Heffernan regarding the award to Plymouth County of \$90 million for the member towns and the City of Brockton to provide aid during the pandemic.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to establish the following resolution:

A Resolution establishing the Plymouth County CARES Program

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION by the Board of Commissioners, County of Plymouth, Massachusetts

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Governor Charles Baker, declared

a public Health Emergency for COVID-19, beginning March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, The President of the United States, Donald J. Trump declared a public Health Emergency for COVID-19, beginning March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, The Plymouth County Board of Commissioners, declared a public Health

Emergency for COVID-19, beginning March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, The United States Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and

Economic Security Act naming Plymouth County, An Act establishing the \$150 Billion Coronavirus Relief

Fund for assistance to State and Local Governments; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2020, The US Department of the Treasury provided CARES Act guidance naming

Plymouth County Massachusetts as eligible recipient of said funds based on its population; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, the County of Plymouth, MA submitted and was approved as a certified unit of local government for direct payment of an apportioned share of funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund by the US Treasury Department; and

WHEREAS, the deferred operation of this Resolution would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to authorize the development of a program for the people of Plymouth County regarding the administration of all aspects of The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act; P.L.116-136), signed into law on March 27, 2020. Such program will adhere to the rules, regulations, and guidelines issued by the Department of the Treasury pursuant to this act.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby declared by the Plymouth County Commissioners to be an emergency resolution, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Commissioner Hanley seconded.

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

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to enter into agreements as necessary to implement the Plymouth County CARES Program. Commissioner Wright seconded.

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

Any business not foreseen

Chairman Pallotta requested a meeting be posted for Thursday, April 30, 2020 to update all Plymouth County Advisory Board Members on the Plymouth County CARES Program.

The Zoom video/teleconference call was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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

Documents and/or exhibits

- Resolution establishing the Plymouth County CARES Program

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
Executive Assistant