

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

July 16, 2015

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the County of Plymouth Administration Building, 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA. Present were Commissioner Gregory M. Hanley and Chairman Daniel A. Pallotta. Chairman Pallotta called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also, in attendance were Treasurer Thomas O'Brien, County Administrator Frank Basler, Superintendent of Buildings Doug Wedge and Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke.

Meeting Minutes–June 24, 2015, June 25, 2015

Chairman Pallotta requested the minutes be tabled to the next meeting due to Commissioner Wright's absence. Commissioner Hanley concurred.

Vote–Payroll

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to accept and approve the payroll as presented by Treasurer O'Brien. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote–Vendor Vouchers

Commissioner Hanley made a motion for approval of vendor vouchers as recommended by the Treasurer. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote–County Personnel Status Forms

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to acknowledge and accept county personnel status forms for:

Commissioner's Office:

Fill Existing Vacancy–Francis G. Basler, County Administrator

Maintenance Dept.:

Temporary Employee Extension

Michael S. Hambly, Custodian, JG 1-1 \$14.20/hr.

Edward Nelson, Custodian, JG 1-1 \$14.20/hr.

Peter McCormack, Custodian, JG 1-1 \$14.20/hr.

Ivanilda Veiga, Custodian, JG 1-1 \$14.20/hr.

David McMeekin, Custodian, JG 1-1 \$14.20/hr.

Registry of Deeds:

Step Increases

Richard G. Connolly, Recorder, JG 7-8, \$16.62/hr. to JG 7-9, \$17.12/hr.

Christine Grasso, Asst. Dept. Head, JG 20-8, \$29.81/hr. to JG 20-9, \$30.70/hr.

Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Pallotta welcomed Frank Basler as the new County Administrator and Commissioner Hanley expressed his pleasure at the job Frank has been doing over the past 10 days. Commissioner Hanley requested the Administrator do a "top to bottom" review of all employees in the Commissioners and Treasurers office with respect to job duties. Commissioner Hanley feels consolidation of duties could be achieved.

Update-Solar Project

Administrator Basler briefed the Commissioners on the status of permitting applications with Solect.

Update-Transfer Station Project

Administrator Basler briefed the Commissioners on the status of permitting for the project on the Transfer Station.

Update-Cooperative Extension-Hanson

Administrator Basler informed the Commissioners the building in Hanson was being cleaned out and a team of volunteers would be there on Monday to complete the work. Mr. Basler gave the Commissioners a schedule of events planned for 4-H at the Marshfield Fair coming up the end of August. The Commissioners are invited back to participate in the Goat Milking Competition.

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to have a letter placed in 4-H Educator/Director Molly Lipper's file commending her on the great job she does with all the 4-H programs and all the hard work she puts into keeping the programs running. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed

Update-Legislation

Chairman Pallotta briefed the Board on House Bill 1064 to establish a stabilization fund for counties.

Commissioner Hanley briefed the Board on a meeting held today at the Sheriff's Department with Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo. Treasurer O'Brien and County Administrator Basler attended along with legislative delegates and various Police Chief's regarding the gun range at the Sheriff's Department on county owned land.

Review Correspondence

Administrator Basler presented the most recent court rent report to the Commissioners with the disappointing news of the payment shortage on reimbursement for retirees. Chairman Pallotta has had conversations and meetings with Chris McQuade and John Bello from the Administrative Office of the Trial Court regarding the interpretation of the legislation passed last year. After much discussion, Commissioner Hanley suggested Chairman Pallotta send a letter to the Judges, State Reps and State Senators asking for support of our request for funding from DCAM.

County Administrator Basler presented the Commissioners with a maintenance status report of Register of Deeds Buckley regarding both buildings in Plymouth and Brockton. Commissioner Hanley requested the issue with the flashing in Plymouth be resolved immediately and Chairman Pallotta requested Mr. Basler obtains quotes to repair and replace the lights in the Hingham courtrooms.

Next Meeting:

The Commissioners next meeting will be held Thursday, July 30, 2015- Commissioners' Hearing Room, 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA at 5:30 p.m.

Executive Session

In Accordance with MGL, Chapter 30A, Section 21, held for the purpose of discussing the consideration of the purchase, exchange or lease of real property and to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and pending litigation, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session and to not return to open public session at 6:44 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll: Commissioner Hanley-Yes. Chairman Pallotta-Yes. Commissioner Wright-Absent.

At 8:00 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
Executive Assistant