PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

July 8, 2021

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 4:12 p.m. at the County of Plymouth Administration Building, 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA. Present were Chairman Gregory M. Hanley, Commissioner Sandra M. Wright, and Commissioner Jared L. Valanzola.

Also, in attendance were Treasurer Thomas O'Brien, Register of Deeds John Buckley, 4-H Director Molly Vollmer, County Administrator Frank Basler, and Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke.

Chairman Hanley called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vote Meeting Minutes-June 30, 2021

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 30, 2021, amending the minutes of the vote concerning the budget transfers to show Chairman Hanley recused himself and abstained from voting. Commissioner Valanzola seconded. Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to accept and approve CPS Form:

Catherine Acampora-corrected CPS due to typo on hourly rate: should be 20-1 at \$25.80; Valerie Schell-Resignation-4-H Educator; Blake Dinius-annual step increase to 20-5; Helen Homsey-annual step increase to 13-5; Jacelyn Rhoads-annual step increase to 13-5; Evan Young-annual step increase to 9-3.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to accept and approve the personnel status forms listed. Commissioner Valanzola seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to accept and approve vendor vouchers

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

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote to accept and approve payroll vouchers

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

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

CARES Act: update and possible distribution votes

Commissioner Valanzola made a motion to approve reimbursements in the amount of \$36,282.94 to the Town of Kingston. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Valanzola made a motion to approve reimbursements in the amount of \$128,525.63 to the Town of Kingston. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously

American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA)-update

Treasurer O'Brien briefed the board on plan development that is expected to be completed in the next 45-60 days. The first deposit of 50% of the awarded federal funds should be taking place in the next day or two.

Administrator's Report

County Commissioner's Booklet publishing

Commissioner Wright made a motion to authorize the publishing of the County Booklet done on a bi-annual basis for 2021/2022. Commissioner Valanzola seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Administrator Basler continues to work on the next Byrne Grant application due at the end of the month.

Administrator Basler reports work is continuing at 44 Obery Street with renovations on the Treasurer's side of the building.

Administrator Basler, Superintendent Doug Wedge, & Assistant Superintendent Tom Jones met with Justice Edward Sharkansky of the Wareham District Court and reported how happy the Judge is with the building and reports "it has never looked so good".

Commissioner's New Business

Commissioner Valanzola gave an update on the "Navigator" grant program for small businesses and will be working with Treasurer O'Brien on the application.

Commissioner Valanzola received a request for citations to be presented to 16 Eagle Scouts from the towns of Norwell and Hanover at a ceremony planned for August 7th. All 16 citations were presented for signatures and Commissioner Wright hopes to be able to attend the ceremony.

Treasurer's update

Treasurer O'Brien reports PCOT total assets at \$33.9 million with 29 members. Commissioner Wright recommends a link on the county website with PCOT membership interest accumulations for all towns to view.

4-H Extension Director update

4-H Director Molly Vollmer reports Entomologist Blake Dinius is very busy with inquiries and additional donations have been received for the greenhouse project. The Marshfield Fair dates have been scheduled for August 19th through the 29th. Invitations are forthcoming for the Commissioners to attend.

Business not foreseen by the Chair

Commissioner Wright reports Judge Sullivan of the Brockton Superior Court requested a meeting with herself and Superintendent Wedge. Also, a request of the Rockland Fire Department for the counties assistance in acquiring land for a training facility. Commissioner Wright is aware of a piece of property in Halifax that may be available.

Chairman Hanley requests a schedule, beginning in September, for the Commissioners meetings with the Boards of Selectmen in Plymouth County to brief the boards on ARPA and present CARES checks if applicable.

The next Commissioners meeting will be held Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

At 4:37 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Documents and/or exhibits:

• Draft Meeting Minutes June 30, 2021

Respectfully submitted, Nancy O'Rourke Executive Assistant