

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

April 10, 2014

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Plymouth County Commissioners Office, 11 South Russell Street, Plymouth, MA. Present were Commissioner Sandra Wright and Commissioner Gregory M. Hanley. Chairman Pallotta was unable to attend the meeting. Commissioner Wright called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also, in attendance were Treasurer Thomas O'Brien, Register of Deeds John Buckley, County Attorney Mark Gildea, County Administrator Brian McDonald, Superintendent of Buildings Doug Wedge and Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke.

Commissioner Hanley requested Register Buckley's report be taken out of order due to another commitment.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Register of Deeds John Buckley

Register Buckley briefed the Commissioners on the status of the new vault and is waiting for quotes from vendors. The rug at the satellite office in Rockland is in need of repair and currently is causing a liability concern. Register Buckley would like to get quotes on carpet repair/replacement since the most recent lease was negotiated for a lesser amount there may be funds available. Commissioner Hanley made a motion to allow Register Buckley to replace/repair the carpet with the excess funds from the lease negotiation. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

ACCEPT PAYROLL AND/OR VENDOR VOUCHERS

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to authorize the signing of Payroll and approval of vendor vouchers as recommended by the Treasurer.

Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL: Acknowledge receipt of the following Personnel actions:

Registry of Deeds

Step Increases

Susan T. McDonald, Land Records Asst., JG 7-2, \$14.89/hr. to JG 7-3, \$15.18/hr.

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to accept the aforementioned personnel actions. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes–March 27, 2014

Executive Session Minutes–March 27, 2014

Commissioner Hanley requested the minutes for March 27, 2014 be tabled to the next meeting due to Chairman Pallotta's absence. Commissioner Wright concurred.

Update–Power Management

Commissioner Hanley requested the update from Power Management be tabled to the next meeting.

Discussion–South Street Transfer Station

Commissioner Hanley briefed the Commissioners on an upcoming meeting next Tuesday, April 15th at the Plymouth Town Hall with Attorney Donald Nagle, Kevin Kelly of Power Management, Commissioner Greg Hanley, Treasurer Tom O'Brien, Plymouth Selectmen Matt Muratore and John Mahoney to discuss the issues concerning the South Street Transfer Station.

NEW BUSINESS

John Moon, Kingstown Corporation–Discussion on earth removal

John Moon from Kingstown Corporation briefed the Commissioners on gravel removal on the County property known as the "100 acres" located off Camelot Drive in Plymouth. Mr. Moon requested assistance from the Commissioners on the permitting process with the Town of Plymouth.

The Town of Plymouth is requesting plans for the property after the 250,000 cubic yards of gravel have been removed. Commissioner Hanley requested Mr. Moon attend the next Commissioners meeting to allow Chairman Pallotta a chance to ask any questions. Commissioner Hanley made a motion to defer any decisions to the next Commissioners meeting April 24, 2014. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

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Plymouth County Treasurer Thomas O'Brien

Treasurer O'Brien briefed the Commissioners on the status of Courthouse rent and is waiting for the first quarter payment. The payment was due by March 31, 2014.

Treasurer O'Brien requested Mayflower RSVP be on the next agenda to allow the Commissioners to present a check.

Superintendent of Buildings Douglas Wedge

Mr. Wedge briefed the Commissioners on an upcoming weekend project requested by the Administrative Office of the Trial Court to replace rugs and do painting. The State requested an Electrician be hired and will pay the invoice.

Mr. Wedge presented CPS forms to the Commissioners to authorize hiring 2 temporary emergency custodians and abolish 2 switchboard positions within the maintenance budget pursuant to the previous vote of the Commissioners.

PERSONNEL: Acknowledge receipt of the following Personnel actions:

Maintenance Department

Termination (positions abolished)

Maria Rosa Restivo, Switchboard Operator, JG 9-2, \$15.33/hr.

Joan Parker, Switchboard Operator, JG 9-8, \$17.69/hr.

Commissioner Hanley, with great regret, made a motion to abolish the Switchboard Operator positions in Hingham District Courthouse and Brockton Superior Courthouse. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Reinstatement (FT Emergency Temporary)

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

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

Commissioner Hanley made a motion, due to maintenance problems in the courthouses and the abolishment of switchboard positions to reinstate the aforementioned temporary custodial positions. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator McDonald briefed the Commissioners on 2 of 3 solicited bids for roof design at 44 Obery Street. A meeting is scheduled next week with a moving company to discuss costs and timetable of the move out of 11 South Russell Street.

Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke is currently compiling a list of computers, monitors and printers that will require a vote of the Commissioners to be declared as surplus and disposed.

The RFQ for an Energy Management Consultant is scheduled for opening Monday, April 14th.

The Commissioners next meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In Accordance with MGL, Chapter 30A, Section 21, held for the purpose of discussing the consideration of 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 5:57 p.m. Commissioner Wright called the roll: Commissioner Hanley-Yes. Commissioner Wright-Yes.

At 6:35 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
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Discussion-Rexhame Beach Lawsuit

Attorney Gildea informed the Commissioners Administrator McDonald has been served a subpoena to testify regarding county layouts and their authenticity. The suit concerns public right of access.

OPEIU Negotiations

Attorney Gildea will meet next week on contract negotiations.

SEIU Maintenance Union

A proposal has been submitted to consider combining the clerical and maintenance SEIU unions.

Court case-Retirement Board

Attorney Gildea discussed the pending court case with the Retirement Board and the Commonwealth. Commissioner Hanley will attend the next Retirement Board meeting to be held April 29, 2014.

Discussion-South Street Transfer Station RFP

Commissioner Wright requested status on the meeting be held to discuss the pending RFP on operation of the transfer station. Attempts to have Attorney Gildea meet with Rosemary Nolan were unsuccessful. The Commissioners requested another meeting be scheduled and posted for next week.

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