

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

August 14, 2014

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 5:37 p.m. at the Plymouth County Commissioner's Office, 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA. Present were Chairman Daniel A. Pallotta, Commissioner Sandra M. Wright and Commissioner Gregory M. Hanley. Chairman Pallotta called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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 return to open public session at 5:39 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll: Commissioner Hanley-Yes. Commissioner Wright-Yes, Chairman Pallotta-Yes.

At 6:03 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll to enter back into open public session: Commissioner Hanley-Yes, Commissioner Wright-Yes, Chairman Pallotta-Yes.

Due to a prior commitment, Commissioner Hanley was absent for the remainder of the meeting.

ACCEPT PAYROLL AND/OR VENDOR VOUCHERS

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

Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL: Acknowledge receipt of the following Personnel actions:

Registry of Deeds

Step Increase:

Richard G. Connolly, Recorder/Rockland, JG 7-7 \$16.34/hr. to JG 7-8 \$16.62/hr.

Rebecca J. Galandzi, Archive Imaging Asst., JG 7-1 \$14.61/hr. to JG 7-2 \$14.89/hr.

Christine Grasso, Asst.Dept. Head/Recording, JG 20-7 \$29.00/hr to JG 20-8 \$29.81/hr.

Pamela Hanifan, Recorder/Rockland, JG 7-1 \$14.61/hr. to JG 7-2 \$14.89/hr.

Dawn Hanley, Archive Imaging Asst., JG 7-1 \$14.61/hr. to JG 7-2 \$14.89/hr.

Heidi Harkins, Office Manager/Rockland, JG 17-8 \$26.09/hr. to JG 17-9 \$26.87/hr.

Franklin Macdonald, Receptionist/Switchboard, JG 7-4 \$15.47/hr. to JG 7-5 \$15.76/hr.

Anna Messner, Index Comparer, JG 7-4 \$15.47/hr. to JG 7-5 \$15.76/hr.

Kathe Rowan, Index Comparer, JG 7-4 \$15.47/hr. to JG 7-5 \$15.76/hr.

Karen Schuster, Imaging Assistant, JG 7-4 \$15.47/hr. to JG 7-5 \$15.76/hr.

Debra Whelan, Land Records Asst., JG 7-1 \$14.61/hr to JG 7-2 \$14.89/hr.

Maintenance Department

Step Increase:

Miguel Barbosa, Asst. Bldg. Custodian, JG 2-1 \$15.52 to JG 2-2 \$15.86

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

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes–July 2, 2014, July 17, 2014

Chairman Pallotta made a motion to table the approval of the Meeting Minutes of July 2, 2014, and July 17, 2014 to the next meeting due to Commissioner Hanley's absence. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Contract–Siemens

Commissioner Wright made a motion to allow the Chairman to authorize the contract for energy management with Siemens Corp. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion–Hingham District Courthouse

The Commissioners discussed the status of the issues with the HVAC at the courthouse. DCAMM has approved the financing. County Administrator McDonald will follow up with Chris McQuade on timeline status.

Chairman Pallotta requested the Plymouth County Advisory Board have a meeting in September to appropriate the funds to address the HVAC issues at the Hingham District Court.

NEW BUSINESS

Vote–Proclamation Childhood Cancer Awareness

Commissioner Wright made a motion to hereby proclaim September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Plymouth County. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Register of Deeds John Buckley

Register Buckley briefed the Commissioner on the status of the construction of the vault. A pre-bid meeting was held and approximately 18 vendors have requested bid packages.

Register Buckley advised the Commissioners he will be purchasing a new server for 50 Obery Street and moving the existing server to 155 W. Elm Street in Brockton. The funds will come from the Technology Fund.

Register Buckley also presented an updated list of outstanding maintenance issues with both buildings.

Treasurer Thomas O'Brien,

Treasurer O'Brien will be presenting budget transfers at the Advisory Board meeting in September. The Treasurer reminded the board of the memorial service being held for Advisory Board member and Selectman Joseph Freitas on Saturday, August 16th. Commissioner Wright will attend on behalf of the board.

Superintendent of Buildings Douglas Wedge

Mr. Wedge addressed the ongoing need for custodial help. The county van is in desperate need of replacement as well as various pieces of equipment. Mr. Wedge briefed the Commissioners on the status of the Chiller at 44 Obery Street and flooding issues with the elevator at 155 W. Elm Street in Brockton.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator McDonald briefed the Commissioners on the awarding of a contract to Dreamscape Landscapers of Plymouth. The Commissioners next meeting will be held Thursday, August 28th 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 6:28 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll: Commissioner Wright-Yes, Chairman Pallotta-Yes.

At 7:11 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
Executive Assistant

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SEIU 888-Negotiations

Attorney Gildea briefed the Commissioners on recent negotiations held with the maintenance employees.

SEIU 888 Employee Issue

Attorney Gildea briefed the Commissioners on an ongoing issue concerning a clerical employee and approval of out of grade pay. The employee was notified prior to the meeting that this issue was to be discussed. The Commissioners agreed the employee should be paid.

Hanson Water Tower

Attorney Gildea will be sending a notification letter to the Sheriff's Department Attorney concerning requests to allow communication equipment be installed on the tower.

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