

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING

January 30, 2014

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Office of the Plymouth County Commissioners, 11 South Russell 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 County Attorney Mark Gildea, Treasurer Thomas O'Brien, Register of Deeds John Buckley, Superintendent of Buildings Douglas Wedge, 4-H Educator Molly Lipper, County Administrator Brian McDonald and Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke.

Chairman Pallotta requested the agenda be taken out of order to accommodate Sheriff McDonald and Michael Cheney.

Discussion-Correctional Facility Perimeter

Mr. Cheney presented maps documenting the area that the Sheriff's Department would like to use for the firing range. There is some discrepancy as to what land information the Registry of Deeds has listed and what information DCAM has on file. Chairman Pallotta felt more details were needed. Mr. Cheney feels the next step would be to make a presentation to the State with the Commissioners blessing.

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:
Maintenance Department

Termination (30-day PT Temp)

Thomas J. Driscoll, Custodian, JG 1-1, \$14.20/hr.

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

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes–January 7, 2014, January 16, 2014

Exec, Session Minutes–January 16, 2014

Chairman Pallotta requested the approval of the minutes be tabled to the next meeting.

Update–Power Management

Mr. Kelly informed the Commissioners, Norwell Housing Authority is going forward with the County Energy Plan. Chairman Pallotta requested Mr. Kelly review the RFQ and make edits to have Attorney Gildea review.

NEW BUSINESS

Vote–Plymouth County Attorney re-appointment

Commissioner Wright made a motion to re-appoint Attorney Mark C. Gildea from the Law Office of Clark, Balboni and Gildea as the Attorney for Plymouth County for one year term of February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Vote–South Street Landfill

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve a maximum of \$5,000 be allotted for Attorney Gildea to do environmental legal work for the South Street Landfill. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Plymouth County Treasurer Tom O'Brien

Treasurer O'Brien presented the Commissioners with final copies of the audits for 2007, 2008, and 2009 prepared by the auditing firm Melanson Heath, LLC. Chairman Pallotta requested the audits be available on the county website.

Treasurer O'Brien reported the Commissioners have completed GASB 34 & 45.

Register of Deeds John Buckley

Register Buckley congratulated the Commissioners on completion of audits for 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Mr. Buckley requested information from the Commissioners office regarding disposal of documents according to the Secretary of States guidelines now that the audits have been completed. Ms. O'Rourke will forward the information.

Superintendent of Buildings Doug Wedge

Mr. Wedge briefed the Commissioners on building issues with the latest snow storms and struggles with personnel reductions. The heat situation has improved at the Cooperative Extension in Hanson. Hingham District Courthouse continues to have heat problems.

Cooperative Extension 4-H Educator Molly Lipper

Ms. Lipper thanked the Chairman for attending the 4-H awards night held last Friday night. The evening was a great success. A Public Speaking Event is planned for the near future to be held at the Silver Lake Middle School.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Commissioners next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in Plymouth.

Commissioner Wright requested two items for the next agenda: Joe Ducharme from Clivus New England to discuss alternative waste treatment and a representative from the Commonwealth Retirement Program.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MGL, Chapter 30A, Section 21 held for the purpose of discussing purchase, exchange or lease of real property and to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and litigation, the board voted to enter into Executive Session and to not return to open public session at 5:36 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll: Commissioner Wright-Yes, Chairman Pallotta-Yes, and Commissioner Hanley-Yes.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
Executive Assistant

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County Property

Attorney Gildea discussed the lease agreement between the Town of Plymouth and the Commissioners for 11 S. Russell St. Plymouth.

DIA Hearing

Attorney Gildea briefed the Commissioners on an upcoming hearing for a county employee.

SEIU/maintenance negotiations

Attorney Gildea discussed recent negotiations held to discuss the maintenance employee's contract.

At 5:55 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy O'Rourke
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