

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING

February 27, 2014

A regular meeting of the Plymouth County Commissioners was called to order at 6:05 p.m. at the Office of the Plymouth County Commissioners, 11 South Russell Street, Plymouth, MA. Present were Chairman Daniel A. Pallotta, 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, County Administrator Brian McDonald, 4-H Educator Molly Lipper and Executive Assistant Nancy O'Rourke.

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. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

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 6:06 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll: Commissioner Hanley-Yes. Chairman Pallotta-Yes.

At 6:25 p.m. Chairman Pallotta called the roll to enter back in to open public session. Commissioner Hanley-Yes. Chairman Pallotta-Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes-February 13, 2014

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Chairman Pallotta requested the meeting minutes of February 13, 2014 be tabled due to Commissioner Wright's absence. Commissioner Hanley concurred.

#### Update-Power Management

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

#### Update-Commissioner's Office move

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the lease with the Town of Plymouth. Commissioner Wright seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Pallotta briefed the board on a recent visit to 44 Obery Street and feels the roof is the first priority. The Chairman requested the Treasurer submit an emergency fund transfer of \$40,000 to replace the entire roof and trim.

Chairman Pallotta requested a timeline and plan for the office move.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Vote and Warrants-Retirement Assessments

Commissioner Hanley made a motion in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, Paragraph 7(c), as amended, that Retirement Assessments be paid from the Treasury of the County of Plymouth and from the Treasuries of the several towns, districts, etc. for the fiscal period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

##### Vote-Vehicle Bid Amendment-MHQ

Commissioner Hanley made a motion to amend the following vehicle and item for the Public Service Vehicle Bid Ford extended for the period of November 1, 2013 to October 31, 2014:

MHQ, 401 Elm Street, Marlboro, MA 01752

Pelican Three Wheel Street Sweeper- new price \$178,495.00. An Increase of \$8,500.00.

##### Schedule D

Item #5-Hybrid upgrade, 2.5 liter Atkinson Hybrid Engine (Fusion) includes tech/My Ford Touch, rear-view camera and reverse sensing, new price \$7,124.25 increased by \$339.25.

Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

## DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

### Cooperative Extension 4-H Educator Molly Lipper

Ms. Lipper briefed the Commissioners on the Agriculture Day event planned at the State House on March 26, 2014. There will be a Plymouth County Agricultural Delegation present again this year. The Commissioners are as always invited to attend. Commissioner Hanley requested the County have jackets or hats made by the Sheriff's Print Shop for the members representing Plymouth County. Ms. Lipper will forward sizing information to the County Administrator.

### Superintendent of Buildings Doug Wedge

Superintendent Wedge briefed the Commissioners on heat issues at Brockton Superior Courthouse. He also continues to struggle with man-power issues in all buildings.

### Register of Deeds John Buckley

Register Buckley gave an update on the schedule of scanning plan indexes. The plans are scanned currently back to 1980. The next group of plans will go back to 1895.

The request with the Secretary of States Office to approve construction of a new vault as been approved using the Technology Fund.

### County Treasurer Thomas O'Brien

Treasurer O'Brien briefed the Commissioners on the success of the ice melt bid with the local housing authorities and plans to include a bid for road salt next year.

Treasurer O'Brien requested a meeting with the Chairman to review the FY 2015 budget. Commissioner Hanley made a motion to allow the Chairman to meet with the Treasurer to finalize budget details. Chairman Pallotta seconded.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Brian McDonald briefed the Commissioners on a hearing being held March 4, 2014, 10:00 A.M. at the State House to hear testimony regarding HB 2780 "*An Act relative to the enhancement of Regional Services*" Also, a meeting will be held March 3, 2013 at the South Shore Vocational High School with the House Ways and Means subcommittee.

Commissioner Hanley briefed the board on a recent meeting held with the Town of Plymouth Board of Selectmen to discuss the issues with the Transfer Station. Commissioner Hanley requested for the record he felt the Plymouth Town Manager misrepresented information regarding the County Commissioners and trommeling at the South Street Transfer Station.

At 7:07 P.M. the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy O'Rourke  
Executive Assistant

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Leases-

Attorney Gildea and the Commissioners discussed lease negotiations regarding 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA

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