

BARNSTABLE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES
Report / Minutes of the Standing Committee on Finance
Proposed Ordinance 15-14
December 16, 2015

Dear Mr. Speaker and Assembly Delegates:

This is a report on Proposed Ordinance 15-14. The proposed ordinance was submitted to the Assembly of Delegates by the Board of Regional Commissioners at the Assembly of Delegates regular meeting on December 2, 2015. A public hearing was scheduled and held by the Standing Committee on Finance on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. at the Assembly of Delegates Chamber Hall, First District Courthouse Route 6A, Barnstable, Massachusetts. The public hearing was duly advertised in the Cape Cod Times on December 9, 2015.

The purpose of the proposed ordinance is to amend Barnstable County Ordinance 15-05 by changing the language in Section 1.d (second item) from County Complex Redesign to County Complex Construction. The amount of funding will not change and is stated at \$250,000.

Committee members present: Chairman John Ohman, Teresa Martin, Suzanne McAuliffe, and Julia Taylor. Absent: Deborah McCutcheon.

Suzanne McAuliffe motioned, and it was seconded, to waive the reading of the public hearing notice. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Chairman John Ohman opened the committee meeting and had brief discussion and accepted general comments from committee members, Finance Assistant Bob Lawton and Facilities Director Steve Tebo. A brief tour of the old County jail complex concluded just prior to the meeting. Based on the tour some members expressed skepticism regarding the cost to renovate the old jail cell wing for \$250,000.

Committee members asked what the big plan was for the County complex and would prefer to see a master plan from the state regarding its intentions at the County complex in order to determine the appropriate County response.

In conclusion there was not enough information to go forward with a recommendation to the full Assembly. It was suggested that other Assembly Delegates schedule time to take a tour of the old jail facility and become aware of what is being requested prior to a vote.

The committee would like to take up discussion of this proposed ordinance at another meeting date yet to be determined. No recommendation was made for consideration by the Assembly. A new public hearing would be scheduled by the Clerk.

Suzanne McAuliffe motioned, and it was seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

John Ohman
Teresa Martin
Suzanne McAuliffe
Julia Taylor