COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Barnstable, ss.

At the regular meeting of the County Commissioners held in the Superior Courthouse in Barnstable, on the fifteenth day of February A.D. 2017.

Board of the Barnstable County Commissioners:

Ronald R. Beaty                  Present
Leo G. Cakounes                   Present
Mary Pat Flynn                    Absent

Staff Present:

Jack Yunits                       County Administrator
Owen Fletcher                      Executive Assistant

1. **Call to Order**

   Commissioner Cakounes called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Moment of Silence**

4. **Public Comment**

Commissioner Cakounes asked if there was any public comment. Matt West and Miles Pellegrini of Nauset Regional High School. Mr. West is President of the school’s Human Rights Academy and Mr. Pellegrini is a member of the Executive Board. They spoke regarding the positive impact that attending the Human Rights Commission’s meeting have had on their educational experience.
5. General Business

a. Discussion on Commissioners’ Goals and Objectives.

Mr. Cakounes explained that he is looking for bullet point style lists from Commissioners to help accomplish their priorities in the coming months. He spoke regarding Joint Initiatives with the Cape Cod Commission including Information Technology. He also spoke regarding taking a look at space needs including the moving of the Assembly of Delegates, new space for the Registry of Deeds, and a possible move for the Cooperative Extension.

Mr. Beaty spoke regarding an ongoing dialogue regarding the rollback of the Deeds Excise Tax in the future, increasing the amount in the Reserve Account, and ongoing searches for new revenue.

b. Discussion on Rules of Order for Commissioners’ Meetings (action may be taken)

Commissioner Cakounes spoke regarding passing rules for Commissioners’ Meeting for the first time. He suggested Mason’s Rules of Parliamentary Procedures where applicable, and Robert’s Rules of Order as simply guidelines for running meetings. Mr. Beaty concurred that using these rules as guidelines for meetings, without following every bit of procedure contained within them would be beneficial. The Commissioners decided to take no further action until Commissioner Flynn could be present to discuss the matter.

c. Proposed Ordinance 17- ___ Adopting Barnstable County's Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018 (action may be taken)

Commissioner Cakounes stated that no further action required on the budget. This item was included to allow for any changes to the ordinance to be acted upon. However, Mr. Yunits informed the Commissioners that no changes were necessary.

6. New Business – Other business not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

Mr. Cakounes spoke regarding setting a more consistent meeting time as the hearings on the budget were now completed.

7. Commissioners’ Actions

a. Prequalifying bidders solicited through the Municipal Modernization Act for the purpose of requesting quotes

Motion made by Commissioner Beaty to approve of the prequalified bidders solicited through the Municipal Modernization Act as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Cakounes, approved 2-0-0.

b. Agreement between Barnstable County and the Town of Truro to undertake dredging projects
Motion made by Commissioner Beaty to approve the agreement between Barnstable County and the Town of Truro for the undertaking of a dredge project as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Cakounes, approved 2-0-0.

8. Commissioners’ Reports

Commissioner Beaty:

- Commissioner Beaty spoke regarding attending a Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative meeting with Mr. Yunits that morning. He highlighted the need for continuing collaboration between all parties.

9. County Administrator’s Report

Mr. Yunits:

- Mr. Yunits spoke regarding advertising for a new Human Rights Commission Coordinator.
- He also spoke regarding the great response by the Facilities Department to the inclement weather of the previous week.

10. Adjournment

Barnstable, ss. at 11:26 a.m. on this fifteenth day of February, A.D. 2017, Commissioner Beaty made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Cakounes, approved 2-0-0.
Attest:

County Clerk

The foregoing records have been read and approved.

Leo G. Cakounes
Chair

Mary Pat Flynn
Vice-Chair

Ronald R. Beaty
Commissioner

February 15, 2017