BARNSTABLE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES
Report and Minutes of the Standing Committee on Finance
Proposed Ordinance 15-05
June 17, 2015

Dear Mr. Speaker and Assembly Delegates:

Proposed Ordinance 15-05 was submitted to the Assembly of Delegates by the Board of Regional Commissioners at the Assembly of Delegates regular meeting on June 3, 2015. The Standing Committee on Finance met on Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. to conduct a public hearing on the proposed ordinance and take comments. The public hearing was duly advertised in the Cape Cod Times on June 10, 2015.

The purpose of the proposed ordinance was to authorize the County to purchase capital equipment, purchase a conservation restriction and implement capital improvements for use in conducting the business of the County and to borrow money to pay therefore for FY16.

Committee members present: Chairman John Ohman, Suzanne McAuliffe, and Deborah McCutcheon.

Deborah McCutcheon motioned, and was seconded, to waive the reading of the public hearing notice and Proposed Ordinance 15-05.
Motion passed 3-0-0.

Chairman John Ohman opened the committee meeting and public hearing at 3:25 p.m..

Interim Finance Director Robert Lawton met with the committee to explain the purpose of the proposed ordinance. Bonding was approved in the FY16 budget vote but bond counsel for the County, Locke Lord, requested a specific list for clarification purposes of the projects that were a part of the FY16 budget. This required the submission and consideration of a separate ordinance. The proposed ordinance reflects the same amount of funding that was authorized in the budget vote for FY16. Nothing additional has been added or subtracted. The committee would like to see a separate bonding list and proposed ordinance for consideration in future budgets. Robert Lawton agreed and will make that recommendation.

There were no additional comments and the public hearing was closed.

Suzanne McAuliffe motioned, and was seconded, to forward Proposed Ordinance 15-05 to the full Assembly.
Motion passed 3-0-0.

John Ohman asked the committee to consider an amendment to the proposed ordinance that would change language in Section 1.b to strike the words “Cooperative Extension” and replace it with “Barnstable County”. The Board of Commissioners has approved the change in language and recommends consideration by the Assembly. Committee members indicated they would take this matter up once a motion was presented at the full Assembly.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
John Ohman, Chairman
Suzanne McAuliffe
Deborah McCutcheon