COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Barrstable, ss.

At the special meeting of the County Commissioners held in the Superior Courthouse Building on the second day of February, A.D. 2016,

Chairman Flynn called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Board of the Barnstable County Commissioners:

Mary Pat Flynn         Present
Sheila Lyons           Present
Leo Cakounes           Present

Staff Present:

Justyna Marczak       Human Resources Coordinator

The Commissioners recited the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence.

I. No Public Comment

II. Discussion and Potential Vote to hire the New County Administrator.

Commissioner Flynn proposed for all Commissioners to write down who according to their opinion, was most likely, and less likely, to receive their appointment.
Commissioner Lyons mentioned a letter that the Commissioners received from the Business Round Table the day before this meeting but Commissioner Flynn decided to not accept that discussion as it was not put on the Agenda for this meeting.

All three Commissioners agreed that Mr. John T. Yunits was their first choice.

Commissioner Cakounes was impressed with Mr. Yunits' experience as a mayor and his managerial skills. His decision was also based on Mr. Yunits' municipal law experience, past interactions with DECAM and the state. Commissioner Cakounes also mentioned that Mr. Yunits referred to his potential position as "we" which could indicate he was a team player. He seemed to want to have a friendly relationship with the staff and how to motivate staff by leading an example. Mr. Yunits mentioned he wanted to create better communication process in the county, and didn't want "the county to become victim". Mr. Yunits also indicated he was always appreciative of the staff and volunteer work. Commissioner Cakounes stated that the county would be lucky to employ Mr. Yunits.

Commissioner Lyons said she did agree with Commissioner Cakounes that Mr. Yunits was the top candidate as well. She did however mention that the Commissioners were not clear on what the vision of the county was and, although Mr. Yunits was experienced, he didn't have managerial experience as he was elected as mayor and not appointed. Commissioner Lyons also said that the County experienced a deep lack of management skills, and the Commissioners should make sure that the next County Administrator possesses them. She would like the public to be brought in and be heard before the job was offered.
Commissioner Flynn said that Mr. Yunits had an amazing opening statement regarding his understanding of the county and the county government. She agreed with Commissioner Cakounes that the work with DECAM and trail court is an asset to the county. Mr. Yunits seems to want to be seen in the community, involved and available to the public and the Commissioners any time of the day. He exhibits good understanding of the county and his experience with media is also a plus.

Motion made by Commissioner Cakounes to appoint Mr. John T. Yunits to the position of County Administrator conditioned on execution of a mutual agreed upon employment contract, 2nd by Commissioner Lyons, approved 3-0-0.

Barnstable, ss. at 10:30 a.m. on this second day of February, A.D. 2016, Commissioner Cakounes made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Lyons, approved 3-0-0.

Attest:

[Signature]

County Clerk

The foregoing records have been read and approved.
Mary Pat Flynn
Chair

Sheila R. Lyons
Vice-Chair

Leo Cakounes
Commissioner