

*COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS*

Barnstable, ss.

At the regular meeting of the County Commissioners held in the Superior Courthouse in Barnstable, on the twenty-seventh day of September, A.D. 2017.

**Board of the Barnstable County Commissioners:**

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

**Staff Present:**

Jack Yunits	County Administrator
Steve Tebo	Interim Assistant County Administrator
Owen Fletcher	Executive Assistant, Administration
Sean O'Brien	Director, Health and Environment Department
Julie Ferguson	Director, Resource Development Office
Abigail Archer	Marine Resource Specialist, Cape Cod Cooperative Extension
Susan Quiñones	Human Rights Commission Coordinator
Ian Roberts	Technical Support Specialist, Information & Technology

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Cakounes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Commissioners participated in an AmeriCorps Cape Cod Swearing-in ceremony, but there was no deliberation, and no action taken. Chairman Cakounes called the regular portion of the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Moment of Silence**

**4. Public Comment**

**5. Approval of Minutes**

**a. Regular Meeting of September 20, 2017**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to approve the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting of September 20, 2017 as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Cakounes, approved 2-0-0. (Absent: Flynn)*

**6. General Business**

**a. Travel Report by Abigail Archer on her attendance at the 147th Annual Meeting of the American Fisheries Society, from August 19 through August 22, 2017 in Tampa, Florida**

Ms. Archer gave a presentation to the Commissioners regarding the meeting.

**b. Ordinance 17-10, Fiscal Year 2018 Supplemental Appropriation of \$8,000.00 for Human Rights Coordinator Work Hours**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to reject Ordinance 17-10 and return it to the Assembly of Delegates with a letter of explanation as required by Charter, which previously was approved by the Assembly of Delegates on September 20, 2017 which is a supplemental Appropriation to the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget that increases the salary line item of the Human Rights Coordinator by an amount of \$8,0000.00 as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0.*

Ms. Barbara Burgo, the Chair of the Human Rights Commission spoke to support the Ordinance. Mr. Cakounes argued that the Human Rights Commission and the Assembly of Delegates did not follow proper procedure in passing the Ordinance. Mr. Yunits spoke on proper procedure and a poor precedent being set in approving this Ordinance. He also reported that he would bring the proposal back in front of the Board after proper procedures are followed.

**c. Discussion on the County's Strategic Plan**

The Board discussed the process for producing a new Strategic Plan. There was also a discussion regarding space allocation.

**d. Commissioners' Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Message**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the approval and distribution of the County Commissioners Fiscal Year 2019 Budget message as amended, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0.*

The Board reviewed a draft prepared by Commissioner Cakounes in detail with various questions answered by Mr. Yunits.

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

**8. Commissioners' Actions**

**a. Authorizing the Carry Forward of Appropriations remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2017 in the Cape Cod Commission to Fiscal Year 2018**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to approve and authorize the Carry Forward of Appropriations remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2017 in the Cape Cod Commission Budget into Fiscal Year 2018 as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Flynn, approved 2-1-0. (NO: Beaty)*

Commissioner Cakounes assured the Board that he had spoken with both the County's Finance/Director Treasurer, and Ms. Gail Coyne of the Cape Cod Commission.

**b. Authorizing the Carry Forward of Appropriations remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2017 in the Resource Development Office to Fiscal Year 2018**

The Department requesting this item requested that the Board remove it from the Agenda.

- c. **Authorizing the Creation of a New Fund for a Grant, from MassHousing to the Department of Health & Environment, in the amount of \$3,500.00, for a period through June 30, 2018, to support the activities of the Cape Cod Hoarding Task Force**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to approve and authorize the creation of a New Fund for a Grant from MassHousing to the Department of Health and Environment in the amount of \$3,500.00 for a period through June 30, 2018 to support the activities of the Cape Cod Hoarding Task Force as presented.*

Mr. O'Brien answered questions from the Board regarding staffing under the grant. He stated that staff was already working on these issues, and any contributions by the County would be through these hours and not through additional funds.

- d. **Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to an Agreement with the Nature Conservancy, for a Grant to the County, through the Cape Cod Commission, in the amount of \$90,000.00, for the period of January 12, 2016 through September 30, 2017, for "208 Plan Watershed Planning & Technology Transfer", decreasing the budget for \$80,192 to reflect the reduced scope of work, and extending the performance period until January 31, 2018**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the execution of an Amendment to an Agreement with the Nature Conservancy for a Grant to the County through the Cape Cod Commission in the amount of \$90,000.00 for a period of January 12, 2016 through September 30, 2017 for the "208 Plan Watershed Planning & Technology Transfer", decreasing the budget in the amount of \$80,192.00 to reflect the reduced scope of work yet extending the performance period until January 31, 2018 as presented.*

## **9. Commissioners' Reports**

Commissioner Cakounes noted the afternoon Special Meeting on the Cape Cod Economic Development Committee (CCEDC).

## **10. County Administrator's Report**

Mr. Yunits spoke regarding a recent meeting with Town Managers across the Cape. On Information Technology, OpenCape, and Joint Initiatives. State Representative Randy Hunt spoke at the meeting regarding new technology from Comcast. Mr. Yunits also spoke regarding a DEP Status Meeting on the Fire and Rescue Training Academy. Further, he spoke regarding testifying before a Committee Hearing of the Legislature on legislation permitting

the increase of recording fees. Finally, he spoke regarding spacing concerns under the Strategic Plan.

## **11. Adjournment**

*Barnstable, ss. at 12:23 p.m. on this twenty-seventh day of September, A.D. 2017, Commissioner Beaty made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Cakounes, approved 2-0-0*

Attest:

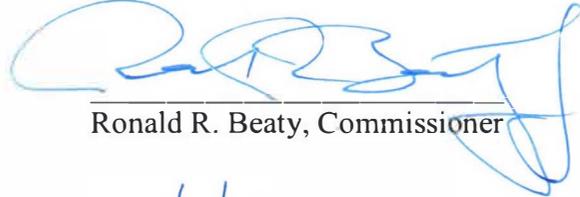
  
Janice O'Connell, County Clerk

10-12-17  
Date

The foregoing records have been read and approved.

  
Leo G. Cakouzes, Chair

  
Mary Pat Flynn, Vice-Chair

  
Ronald R. Beaty, Commissioner

10/11/17  
Date