

*COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS*

Barnstable, ss.

At a regular meeting of the Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners, held in the Superior Courthouse in Barnstable, on the eighth day of August, A.D. 2018

**Board Regional Commissioners:**

Ronald R. Beaty                      Present

Leo G. Cakounes                      Present

Mary Pat Flynn                      Present

**Staff Present:**

Jack Yunits                      County Administrator

Owen Fletcher                      Executive Assistant, Administration

Diane Murphy                      Deputy Director/Fisheries & Aquaculture Specialist, Cape Cod  
Cooperative Extension

Kari Parcell                      Regional Waste Reduction Coordinator, Cape Cod Cooperative  
Extension

Julie Ferguson                      Director, Resource Development Office

Daniel Schell                      AmeriCorps Program Coordinator, Resource Development Office

Andrew Platt                      AmeriCorps Program Specialist, Resource Development Office

Ian Roberts                      Technical Support Specialist, Information Technology

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Cakounes called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Moment of Silence**

#### 4. Public Comment

No members of the public offered comment.

#### 5. Approval of Minutes

##### a. Regular Meeting of August 1, 2018

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 1, 2018 as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

#### 6. General Business

##### a. Presentation by representatives of the Tales of Cape Cod Board of Directors regarding and discussion on a proposed Barnstable County Declaration of September 27th as “Cape Cod Independence Day”

Mr. Gene Guill, President Tales of Cape Cod, and Mr. Phineas Fiske, Member, Tales’ Board of Directors, addressed the Board. Mr. Guill detailed the history of Barnstable County’s declaration that it would continue to operate under home rule, in opposition to a British decree that would end it, over two years before the rest of the colonies declared independence. Chairman Cakounes noted that Barnstable County had home rule under the original 1691 Charter and had it after the British stripped Massachusetts of that power in response to the Boston Tea Party. He expressed his hope that the press would cover this presentation. Mr. Beaty asked about the sources for this history. Mr. Fiske explained that the main sources are contemporaneous accounts and documents. Chairman Cakounes read the original declaration into the record. The Board reached a consensus to reaffirm the original document, have a ceremony of some kind on September 27<sup>th</sup>, and continue working on this issue.

##### b. Presentation by Kari Parcell, Regional Waste Reduction Coordinator, Cape Cod Cooperative Extension, regarding waste management and recycling on Cape Cod

Ms. Parcell updated the Board on County programs during the last three (3) fiscal years at the request of Mr. Yunits. Mr. Parcell detailed her work to obtain grant funding. The Board had a lengthy discussion regarding glass recycling on Cape Cod.

##### c. Discussion regarding Massachusetts House of Representatives Bill No. 4841, An Act regulating and insuring short-term rentals, and the bill’s effects on, and relationship to, Cape Cod Regional Government

Mr. Yunits explained that the Governor vetoed the bill, but the Legislature was taking it up again. Chairman Cakounes expressed that he thought it odd that towns could remove themselves from the body which would distribute funds generated from the tax, but there

was no mechanism for towns to decide whether to be a part of the body. Chairman Cakounes argued that this new body would duplicate the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative's functions, and the towns should appoint their members to that body or other existing County committees.

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

There was no other business not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

## **8. Commissioners' Actions**

### **a. Authorizing a proclamation honoring Charles Eager, former Chairman of the Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the execution of a proclamation honoring Charles W. Eager, former Chairman of the Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

### **b. Authorizing a proclamation designating September 9, 2018 through September 13, 2018 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Week" in Barnstable County**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to proclaim September 9, 2018 through September 15, 2018 as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Week" in Barnstable County, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

### **c. Authorizing the approval of a grounds request from the Cape & Islands Suicide Prevention Coalition to use of the front lawn of the Superior Courthouse on September 13, 2018 for an Annual Ribbon Ceremony**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the approval of a grounds request from the Cape & Islands Suicide Prevention Coalition to use the front lawn of the Superior Courthouse on September 13, 2018 for an Annual Ribbon Ceremony, subject to the County Use Policy, including yet not limited to, proof of insurance, post event clean-up, and any other provisions set forth by the Facilities Director/Assistant County Administrator, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

### **d. Authorizing the appointment of Melissa Carter, Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW), Massachusetts Department of Health, to the Children's Cove Advisory Board for a term from September 5, 2018 through December 31, 2020**

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*Children's Cove Advisory Board for a term from September 5, 2018 through December 31, 2020, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

Chairman Cakounes noted that this appointee should be advised that they are required to: 1) be sworn in by County Clerk; 2) complete the Massachusetts online Conflict of Interest Law and any other State required training; 3) provide the County with a certificate of completion for the same; 4) receive the County Handbook once it is completed and; 4) comply with State Open Meeting and any other applicable State and Federal Laws.

- e. Authorizing the execution of a cooperative agreement with the Massachusetts Service Alliance, for a grant to implement and oversee the Cape Cod AmeriCorps Program, in the amount of \$357,472.00 for a period from August 15, 2018 through August 14, 2019**

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Commissioner Cakounes asked a question regarding housing for members of the program. He asked whether the County could back out of its commitments if it could not find enough housing. Chairman Cakounes noted that there was no provision to lessen the County's participation in the event the County could not do so. Mr. Schell addressed the Board and reported the housing issues only would only have effects on six (6) potential members of the program. Mr. Schell also detailed the work of the County in general and of Mr. Yunits specifically with the Town of Barnstable's Manager to secure additional housing. Mr. Yunits also addressed the Board regarding housing issues in the last fiscal year. Commissioner Beaty asked a question regarding changes from the last grant. Mr. Schell assured the Board that the only change is that there would be less participants than in the prior year.

- f. Authorizing the award of a contract to Simtech Solutions to administer a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), in an amount not to exceed \$55,300.00 for a period from the execution of a contract through June 30, 2019**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the award of a contract to Simtech Solutions to administer a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), in an amount not to exceed \$55,300.00 for a period from the execution of a contract through June 30, 2019, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

- g. Authorizing the execution of the renewal of a contract with Housing Assistance Corporation to provide monitoring for Barnstable County HOME Consortium funds, for one (1) year, for a period of September 21, 2017 through September 20, 2018**

*Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the execution of the renewal of a contract with Housing Assistance Corporation to provide monitoring for Barnstable County HOME*

*Consortium funds, for one (1) year, for a period of September 21, 2018 through September 20, 2019, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

Chairman Cakounes noted a change from the item as presented on the agenda, correcting the date from 2017 through 2018, to 2018 through 2019.

#### **h. Authorizing the execution of Certificates for Dissolving Septic Betterments**

Chairman Cakounes noted that this item is placed on the agenda as a placeholder due to the rolling nature of processing these certificates and the need for quick approvals. No certificates were received for this meeting.

### **9. Commissioners' Reports**

Chairman Cakounes reported on a meeting with Jennifer McClellan regarding a safety program for young workers. He noted that he would work with Mr. Yunits to explore this issue.

### **10. County Administrator and Staff Reports**

Mr. Yunits reminded the Board that they should inform the Cape Cod Commission if they expect to attend their sold out OneCape 2018 Conference. He also noted that Chairman Cakounes is scheduled to speak. He further reported on the current state of the County dredges and upgrades to the Cape Cod Commission website to include such dredge information. Finally, he informed the Board that the County's Early Retirement Incentive legislation was stalled in the Legislature.

### **11. Adjournment**

*Barnstable, ss. at 11:28 P.M. on this eighth day of August A.D. 2018, Commissioner Beaty made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

#### **List of Documents:**

- Draft minutes for the Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting of August 1, 2018
- Letter to the Barnstable County Commissioners from Gene Guill, President, Tales of Cape Cod, and Mr. Phineas Fiske, Member, Tales' Board of Directors, dated August 8, 2018 with the following attachments: Letter of support for the proposal from historian Ray Raphael; An article from the Cape Cod Times "The Revolution Started with No Shots Fired" and; A narrative of the events of Sept 27, "About the Courthouse," at <https://talesofcapecod.org/revolution-of-1774>
- 2018 Commissioners Report FY2019 SMRP & RDP given by Kari Parcell, Regional Waste Reduction Coordinator, Cape Cod Cooperative Extension, on August 8, 2018

- Massachusetts House of Representatives Bill No. 4841, An Act regulating and insuring short-term rentals
- Draft proclamation honoring Charles Eager, former Chairman of the Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners
- Draft proclamation designating September 9, 2018 through September 15, 2018 as “Suicide Prevention Awareness Week” in Barnstable County
- Letter dated July 18, 2018 to the Barnstable County Commissioners from Joan McDonald, Office and Training Coordinator, Cape & Islands Suicide Prevention Coordinator
- Memorandum dated August 8, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Owen Fletcher, Executive Assistant with the subject “Grounds Request from the Cape & Islands Suicide Prevention Coalition”
- Email from Frances Bassett, Training & Office Coordinator, Cape and Islands Suicide Prevention Coalition sent Thursday, August 2, 2018 9:36 PM with the subject line “Red Ribbon Ceremony”
- Flyer on a Ribbon Ceremony in Recognition of National Suicide Prevention Day, Thursday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 11:15 am – 12:45 pm, 3195 Main Street, Barnstable, MA on the front lawn of the Superior Courthouse, Barnstable County Court complex
- Memo dated August 1, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Stacy Gallagher with the subject line “Children’s Cove Advisory Board Members”
- Cooperative Agreement Number: A-19-C-04-6001419 between Massachusetts Service Alliance and Barnstable County and addenda
- Memorandum dated August 2, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Elaine Davis, Chief Procurement Officer, regarding a “Notice of Bid Award”
- Document dated August 1, 2018 to Elaine Davis, Chief Procurement Officer from Beth Albert, Director regarding “Awarding of bid to Simtech Solutions, Inc.”
- Memorandum dated August 2, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Elaine Davis, Chief Procurement Officer, regarding a “Contract Renewal”
- Memorandum dated September 1, 2017 to the County Commissioners from Elaine Davis, Chief Procurement Officer, regarding a “Contract Renewal”
- Agreement Between Barnstable County and Housing Assistance Corporation made the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2016

Approved, Board of Regional Commissioners:

  
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Leo G. Cakounes, Chair

  
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Ronald R. Beaty, Vice-Chair

  
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Mary Pat Flynn, Commissioner

08/15/18  
Date

The foregoing records have been read and approved, August , 2018.

A true copy, attest:

  
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Janice O'Connell, Regional Clerk

