COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Barnstable, ss.

At a regular meeting of the Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners, held in the Olde Colonial Courthouse on the twenty-seventh day of September, A.D. 2018

**Board Regional 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/Director, Facilities Department

Owen Fletcher  
Executive Assistant, Administration

Sonja Sheasley  
Communications Coordinator/Communications Project Specialist, Human Services Department/Administration

Janice O'Connell  
Clerk, Barnstable County/Assembly of Delegates

Bobbi Moritz  
Officer, Resource Development Office

Andrew Platt  
Interim Program Coordinator, AmeriCorps Cape Cod Resource Development Office

Priscilla Ellis  
Administrative Supervisor, Resource Development Office

Ian Roberts  
Technical Support Specialist, Information Technology

1. **Call to Order**

Chairman Cakounes recognized the old County Bell that once hung in the Olde County Courthouse, site of the current regular meeting, and was used to call the Court to order on September 27, 1774. He noted the bell is now on display in the Town of Sandwich at the First Unitarian Church. He also recognized that Jim Killion, Sandwich Representative on the
Assembly of Delegates, was holding a Bell Ringing Ceremony at that church using the bell in conjunction with the current regular meeting. He also noted that Delegate Killion would attend the social event to follow it. Chairman Cakounes stated that the ceremony called this Commissioners’ regular meeting to order.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Moment of Silence**

4. **Public Comment**

Chairman Cakounes announced the Board would take no public comment due to the nature of the current meeting.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

   a. **Regular Meeting of September 19, 2018**

      *Motion by Commissioner Beaty to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2018 as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

6. **General Business**

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

8. **Commissioners’ Actions**

   a. **Authorizing the filling of a part-time Data Entry Position for the “Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone” (SHINE) Program as recommended by the County Hiring Committee**

      *Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the filling of a part-time Data Entry Position for the “Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone” (SHINE) Program as recommended by the County Hiring Committee, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0*

   b. **Authorizing the filling of a Manager Position for the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program, as recommended by the County Hiring Committee**
Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the filling of a Manager Position for the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program, as recommended by the County Hiring Committee, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0

c. Authorizing the approval of a grounds request from Cape Cod Doxie Day for an event on September 29, 2018

Motion by Commissioner Beaty to authorize the approval of a grounds request from Cape Cod Doxie Day for an event on September 29, 2018, subject to the County Use Policy, including but not limited to, proof of insurance, post event clean-up, and any other provisions put forth by the Assistant County Administrator/Facilities Director, as presented, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0

d. Authorizing the creation of a new fund for a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the University of Massachusetts Extension Nutrition Education Program (NEP), to the Cape Cod Cooperative Extension, in the amount of $31,878.00, to deliver a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Education Program (SNAP-Ed) for a period from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019

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9. Commissioners’ Reports

Chairman Cakounes reported that he contacted the State and Federal Cape Cod Legislative Delegations as instructed by the Board on the issue of seals and sharks in the waters off Cape Cod. He stated that the consensus of the legislators at this time was the Board should stand by and allow several other meetings to occur before addressing the issue. He further reported that he would revisit the issue in two weeks.

Chairman Cakounes also noted that the Board would reschedule a special meeting for a workshop to draft a new ordinance on the County Human Rights Commission (HRC) next week. He further reported that he was contacted by the Chair of the HRC requesting that the Commissioners wait until after the election for County Commissioner this November to address the issue. However, Chairman Cakounes’s opinion was that the Board should move forward at this time. He asked the Board to contact County staff if the other Commissioners felt the meeting should be postponed.

Further, Chairman Cakounes informed the Board that he would schedule an Executive Session during the next meeting for contract negotiations with Kristy Senatori, Acting
Executive Director of the Cape Cod Commission, for a permanent position as Executive Director of the Commission.

Finally, Chairman Cakounes thanked his wife, Andrea Cakounes for graciously supplying the food for the social event to follow the meeting.

10. County Administrator and Staff Reports

Neither Mr. Yunits or and other County Staff gave a report.

11. Barnstable County Independence Day

   a. Presentation by and request from Tales of Cape Cod on a Barnstable County Declaration of Independence reaffirming actions of September 27, 1774

Chairman Cakounes turned the meeting over to Phineas Fiske, a Board Member of Tales of Cape Cod, and allowed time for a presentation as well as the introduction of a guest speaker. Mr. Fiske spoke briefly and introduced Ray Rafael, an American historian, author of over twenty (20) books, and noted for his work on the American Revolution. He detailed the history of the events that took place in Barnstable on September 27, 1774. The Board then acted on the following motion:

At the Olde Colonial Courthouse on the twenty-seventh day of September, A.D. 2018, motion by Commissioner Beaty that:

Whereas the Residents of Barnstable County meet this day September 27, 1774 in this very building; and

Whereas these Residents requested the then officials of Barnstable County not to adhere to the new restrictions imposed on them by the British in direct response to the Boston Tea Party of 1773; and

Whereas the original document that was presented and executed by the then Officials of Barnstable County was lost in a building fire in early 1800's;

Now and thereafter, be it resolved and reaffirmed that the Barnstable County Commissioners this day, September 27, 2018, shall execute and Reaffirm a recreated Document of what has now become known as the "Barnstable County Declaration of Independence"; and

Furthermore, a copy of said document shall be affixed to a scroll to be circulated throughout Barnstable County for the purpose of education and reaffirmation by signature;
2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0

12. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment Chairman Cakounes invited family members who are direct descendants of original signatories of the document to sign it. He also then invited members of Tales of Cape Cod and those that helped the County recognize the day to sign it as well, followed by the public.

Chairman Cakounes again noted the ceremony planned after adjournment, and that refreshments would be offered. He gave special thanks for their help with the event to: Mr. Fiske and the members of Tales of Cape Cod, Mr. Rafael, members of the Yarmouth Minutemen, and members of Liberty Chalkboard. He also gave special thanks to Delegate Killion for his work on the Ceremonial Bell ceremony in Sandwich, and Ms. Cakounes for the refreshments.

Barnstable, ss. at 4:45 P.M. on this twenty-seventh day of September A.D. 2018, Commissioner Beaty made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Flynn, approved 3-0-0
List of Documents:

- Draft minutes of the Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting of September 19, 2018
- Memorandum dated September 26, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Justyna Marczak, Human Resources Director, regarding a SHINE Data Entry Position
- Memorandum dated September 26, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Justyna Marczak, Human Resources Director, regarding a HOME Program Manager Position
- Memorandum dated September 26, 2018 to the County Commissioners from Owen Fletcher, Executive Assistant, regarding a Grounds Request from Cape Cod Doxie Day
- Backup Documentation printed from https://www.ccdoxieday.com/ on September 26, 2018 at 4:13 P.M.
- Letter dated September 7, 2018 to Michael Maguire, Director of Cape Cod Cooperative Extension (CCCE) from Lisa Sullivan-Werner, SNAO-Ed & EFNEP Leader, NEP Director, of UMass Extension, Nutrition Education Program, State Office, confirming its intent to contract with CCCE to deliver the nutrition education program as documented in the FY2019 Barnstable County SNAP-Ed project plan
- Fund Request Memo dated September 19, 2018 to Jack Yunits, County Administrator, from Julie Ferguson, Director, Resource Development Office, regarding a New Fund for the Snap-Ed Program
- Fund Request Memo dated September 29, 2018 to Jack Yunits, County Administrator, from Sonja Sheasly, Officer, Resource Development Office, regarding a New Fund for the Snap-Ed Program
- Letter dated September 25, 2017 to Michael Maguire, Director of Cape Cod Cooperative Extension (CCCE) from Lisa Sullivan-Werner, SNAP-Ed & EFNEP Leader, NEP Director, of UMass Extension, Nutrition Education Program, State Office, confirming its intent to contract with CCCE to deliver the nutrition education program as documented in the FY2019 Barnstable County SNAP-Ed project plan
- Memorandum to Lisa Sullivan-Werner, SNAP-Ed Leader from Michael Maguire, Director of CCCE regarding a SNAP-Ed Scope of Services dated April 12, 2017
- Proclamation reaffirming and ratifying a declaration that Barnstable County would continue to operate under home rule, in opposition to a British decree, originally signed on September 27, 1774
- Backup Documents for a Presentation from Tales of Cape Cod to the Board of Regional Commissioners on August 8, 2018
Approved, Board of Regional Commissioners:

Leo G. Cakounes, Chair
Ronald R. Beaty, Vice-Chair
Mary Pat Flynn, Commissioner

10-02-18
Date

The foregoing records have been read and approved, October 3, 2018.

A true copy, attest:

Janice O'Connell, Regional Clerk