THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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At a meeting of the Bristol County Commissioners holden at Taunton within and for the County of Bristol on the eighth day of April A.D., 2019 by successive adjournments from the March term of the same year.

Present: Chairman Paul B. Kitchen, Commissioner John R. Mitchell and Commissioner John T. Saunders Meeting commenced at 4:05 pm.

Received notices from the Bristol County Commissioner's Office regarding the following employment matter:

• Norman J. Tessier Custodian-FMLA Effective 02/26/19

Received notices from the Register Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. of the New Bedford Registry regarding the following employment matters:

•	Susan A. Morris	Retirement	Effective 04/26/19
•	Linda A. Perry	Reclassification Adm. Asst./Land Court	Effective 04/15/19
•	Bernadette P. Galego	Reclassification Land Court Asst.	Effective 04/15/19

Received notices from the Bristol County Agricultural High School regarding the following employment matters:

•	Leslie A. Blanchette	Long-Term Sub FFA Advisor	Effective 04/01/19
•	Brian Lehane	Janitor/Custodian	Effective 04/22/19
•	Erica Griggs	Sub. Teacher	Effective 04/08/19

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the two CP's as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders to approve the minutes of March 26, 2019.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders it was voted to approve the following Payroll and AP Warrants:

AP Warrant #19102	\$451,414.18
AP Warrant #19100	\$353,073.32
AP Warrant #19103	\$500.00
AP Warrant #19094	\$231,297.17
Void Warrant #19104	(-94.04)
Re-issue Warrant #19105	\$94.04

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to receive and place on file a communication from the Taunton Civic Chorus.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders, it was voted to engage **Atlantic Elevator South Co., Inc.**, 1900 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk, MA 02771, to file and arrange for the required annual inspection and safety test for the elevator at the *Fall River Registry*, *441 North Main Street*, *Fall River*, MA which is required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws, Section 64, Chapter 143.

It was further voted to authorize the County Treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$421.00 for one (1) unit, permit application fee of \$400.00 and \$21.00 for the Permit Processing Fee, to be made payable to the Atlantic Elevator South Co., Inc. for electronic filing (Quote# 9341).

It is noted that this will be charged to Budget Item #10615-54479 Taunton Superior Courthouse for vendor 282.

The County Administrator discussed the renewal of the voluntary dental insurance. It was her recommendation, after discussion with the insurance consultant, to renew the voluntary dental insurance with Altus Dental.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders, it was voted to authorize the renewal of the voluntary dental insurance for two years with **Altus Dental Insurance Company** 10 Charles Street, Providence, RI 02904, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021, with a second year option not to exceed a 7% increase.

Administrator Gomes reviewed the Insurance rate sheet for the upcoming fiscal year. The MIIA health insurance rate increase for FY'20 is 0.60%. The rate sheet would be made available to all employees and published on the County's webpage under "Employee Benefits". County Administrator Gomes would have the Open Enrollment dates sent to the Commissioners.

The commercial insurance renewal was discussed. Administrator Gomes stated that she had received a call from Mr. McDonald of Partner's Insurance, who stated that he was trying to obtain a quote on the liability but it was somewhat more complicated with the current open claim of the Taunton Superior Courthouse. She explained to Mr. McDonald that it may not be the most appropriate time for another broker to be seeking quotes on the liability insurance. Chairman Kitchen mentioned that it was a concern of his at the last meeting. Mrs. Gomes was directed by the Commissioners to inform Mr. McDonald that due to the state of the current open claim, they would stand back from having another company quote at this time.

There was discussion of the Earned Sick Time Law in the State of Massachusetts.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders, it was voted that the County implement and follow the regulations of the **Massachusetts Earned Sick Time Law** as it applies to the County in accordance with the regulations published by the Massachusetts's Attorney General's Office. It should be noted that the regulation went into effect on July 1, 2015.

Commissioner Mitchell asked about calling a Personnel Board meeting. Mrs. Gomes stated that there would be a need to include the new regulation in the Personnel Rules.

Administrator Gomes briefly discussed the interviews held for the open position of Custodian whose primary assignment would be at the New Bedford Trial Court. Commissioner Saunders asked to review the applicants.

Commissioner Kitchen stated that he had reviewed the IFB for the left roof slope at the Taunton Superior Court. Administrator Gomes would advertise in the Central Register, COMMBUYS and the local newspaper. Prebid meeting will be April 30th at 2:00 pm. Opening should be scheduled for some time on the week of May 14th.

In review of Old Business, the Commissioners reviewed the invoices from Valerio Dominello & Hillman, LLC. For the School Building Project that had been submitted. The invoices were accurate and should be forwarded to Mr. Costa at the Aggie School.

Administrator Gomes reported that the Superior Courtroom renovation is complete, just the cleaning and the installation of new drapes is all that is left to do in that room.

Going back to the interviews and recommendation for appointment of a new custodian, the Commissioners reviewed and made a decision to fill the vacancy.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Saunders, it was voted to appoint Eduino J. Martins of Fall River, MA to the position of Custodian, conditional on him passing the pre-employment physical and the CORI check.

Mrs. Gomes also stated that she would be contacting the school to discuss the possibility of the student doing the planting around the Korean War monument as they did last year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to adjourn at 4:43 pm.