

## 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 eleventh day of February A.D., 2020, by successive adjournments from the September term of the same year.

Present: Commissioner John R. Mitchell and Commissioner John T. Saunders.

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 pm.

Also Present: County Administrator, Maria Gomes and Facilities Superintendent, Scott Aguiar.

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

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| 1. | Scott Rose         | Spring Expo Coordinator             | Effective 1/29/20 |
| 2. | Isiah Brewster     | Termination-Varsity Baseball Coach  | Effective 2/05/20 |
| 3. | John Koby-Mitchell | Varsity Baseball Coach              | Effective 2/05/20 |
| 4. | Dawn M. Fornari    | Termination Girls JV Softball Coach | Effective 2/12/20 |
| 5. | Robert Benoit      | Girls JV Softball Coach             | Effective 2/12/20 |

Received a notice from the Bristol County Treasurer Saunders regarding the following employment matter:

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| 1. | Michelle Carreiro | FMLA | Effective 2/03/20 |
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A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020.

The following Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants were approved:

Payroll Warrant	#20076	\$160,782.08 approved on 2/04/20
Payroll Warrant	#20078	\$168,169.96
AP Warrant	#20073	\$1,893,388.03
AP Warrant	#20077	\$2,840.00
AP Warrant	#20074	\$469,413.72
AP Warrant	#20069	\$260,980.71

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the Warrants as presented.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, it was voted to approve and forward to the Treasurer's Office for payment, invoice #244 in the amount of \$6,000.00, received from **Lynch Marini & Associates, Inc.**, 99 Longwater Circle, Suite 200, Norwell, MA 02061 as the first invoice for the Fiscal Year 2019 Audit.

Vendor #2493 charged to 13420-52233.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell it was voted to approve in accordance with the documentation received from Michelle Loranger, Executive Director, **Children's Advocacy Center of Bristol County**, 58 Arch Street, Fall River, MA 02720, dated February 1, 2020, and forward to the Treasurer's Office, an invoice for expenses related to the **February** rent only (all occupancy costs are included in the total rent cost) in the amount of **\$2,916.00**. **Although the Center is invoiced by its landlord for a different amount, the Bristol County Commissioners only authorizes an offset rent contribution of \$2,916.00.**

It is noted this is for vendor # **6891** and will be charged to **01000-54490**.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, it was voted to approve the request of Mike Vining of the Bristol County Print Shop, dated February 4, 2020, to have two computers, Serial #'s 0202750073 and X10-37254 declared as unusable surplus and scrapped appropriately.

The Fiscal Year 2019 OPEB Valuation Report was received from Odyssey Advisors. Received and placed on file.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, it was voted to approve and forward to the Treasurer's Office for payment, invoice #**5115 dated February 5, 2020** in the amount of **\$6,350.00**, received from **Odyssey Advisors, 11 Hayward Avenue, Bldg.4, Colchester, CT 06415** for actuarial valuation and consulting services for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 related to GASB 74 & 75 and OPEB.

To be paid to Vendor #**7984** from **13420/52233**.

There was a brief discussion about convening the first meeting of the Board of Trustees of the OPEB Trust. In accordance with the Trust document language, Commissioner Saunders serves as the initial Chairperson of the Trustees. Immediately upon organization of the OPEB Board of Trustees, and thereafter, the Trustees shall appoint an OPEB Board of Trustees Chairman from amongst the members of the Board of Trustees.

OPEB Trust Chairman Saunders asked the County Administrator to send out an email to all Trustee members asking them what day and time they prefer to meet.

County Administrator Gomes and Commissioner Saunders reported on a meeting that was held at the Trial Court in Taunton regarding the possibility of relocating a criminal Superior Court session and the Clerk of Courts office. Those changes would have a direct impact on the County's lease agreement with the Trial Court. John Bello, the Associate Court Administrator for the State had called for the meeting. He described the meeting as very preliminary and that no specific decisions had been made. Mr. Bello would be contacting Administrator Gomes to arrange a meeting with the County officials to discuss the Taunton Superior Court building and to have a tour of the building.

Administrator Gomes also reported that the Taunton Superior Court sloped copper roof section facing Court Street has been completed and that the staging had been removed earlier in the day.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, Administrator Gomes was authorized to process the final payment on the roof project in the amount of **\$20,562.98**.

To be paid to Vendor # 7921 with **\$18,130.52** from **10610/52269** Encumbered FY'19 funds

and, **\$2,432.46** to be paid from **10610/52269** FY'20

The Commissioners discussed a proposal from a company called Gale Associates, Inc., who are a professional services consulting firm of building enclosure experts, engineers, architects and planners. Commissioner Saunders felt that the County could continue to replace roof sections without utilizing all the services that Gale had proposed in it proposal dated January 29, 2020.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, it was voted to authorize Administrator Gomes to move ahead with the next phase of the roof repair and any necessary repointing at the Taunton Superior Court.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to adjourn at 4:33 pm. Next meeting will be February 25, 2020.