THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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At a meeting of the Bristol County Commissioners holden remotely via Go-To-Meeting within and for the County of Bristol on the twelfth day of January 2021, by successive adjournments from the September term of the same year.

Present: Commissioner Paul B. Kitchen and Commissioner John T. Saunders. Commissioner Mitchell was not in attendance because he has tested positive for COVID and was quarantined.

Also in attendance: County Administrator Maria Gomes and Facilities Superintendent Scott Aguiar.

Commissioner Kitchen called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

An attendance Roll Call was taken.

Mr. Saunders

Yes

Mr. Kitchen

Yes

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

1. Nicole Tyler

New Hire Sub. Foreman

Effective 1/13/2021

2. Emily Anderson

Temp. Emergency Appt. Sub Foreman

Effective 1/11/2021

Received a notice from the Northern Bristol Registry of Deeds on the following employment matter:

1. Jill Perez

Name change-Jill Coppage

Effective 1/01/2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen to approve all departmental CP's as presented.

On the motion, Roll Call

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

The following Warrants were reviewed:

AP Warrant

01/12/21

#21062

\$543,977.89

Payroll Warrant

01/14/21

#21063

\$160,031.06

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen to approve the warrants as presented.

On the motion, Roll Call vote:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

y oc

Motion carries.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen to approve the minutes of January 6, 2021.

On the motion, Roll Call vote:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

A communication was received from Business Manager Derek Costa of the BCAHS.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen, it was voted to approve the requests from Derek Costa, Business Manager of the Bristol County Agricultural High School, dated January 6, 2021, designated as Phase 7 Surplus, and to declare all the identified property as surplus.

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

The County was notified of available Federal Rental Relief Funds. Application would need to be made to the Federal Government to receive these funds.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen, it was voted to forego applying for the Coronavirus Relief Funds for Federal Rental Assistance, thus allowing said funds to be transmitted to and managed by the State of Massachusetts.

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

Revisiting old business regarding the County's reimbursable invoice to the Division of Unemployment. The County Administrator has noted that she has begun review of legitimate charges on the invoice.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen, it was voted to approve and forward to the County Treasurer's Office for payment to the Division of Unemployment Assistance, Revenue Service, 5th Floor, Attn.: Reimbursable Unit, 19 Staniford Street, Boston, MA 02114-2589, invoice dated December 2020, for reimbursement of unemployment benefits for former **Bristol County Agricultural High School** employee, <u>David Rines</u> in the total amount of \$3,723.00.

It is noted this will be charged to 95100230-64432 for vendor #8999, Remit #3 and is submitted as a ACH payment.

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

Unanticipated

Facilities Superintendent, Scott Aguiar indicated that he had two emergency repairs. Suspended ceiling in the Clerk Magistrate's Office and a roof leak at the NB 3rd District Court.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen, it was voted to authorize the estimate from Jose Cardozo Contracting Co, 150 Four Winds Drive, Fall River, MA 02720, dated January 2021, for the repair of a fallen recessed ceiling at the Taunton Superior Court Building, 9 Court Street, Taunton, MA 02780.

Total estimate is \$720.00. Quote includes labor and materials.

To be paid from Account 10610/52269

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

Upon motion of Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen it was voted to approve and an authorize the emergency repair estimate dated January 2021 in the amount of \$1,700.00, from Gorman Construction Inc., PO Box 195, Raynham MA 02767, for the roof leak repair at the New Bedford 3rd District Court

To be paid to Vendor #7947 from 10618/52269

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

Administrator Gomes noted that she had learned the Bristol County Sherriff's Office has been vacated at the Taunton Superior Court. No rent has been paid since October 2020. There is currently an active 5 year lease with the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Kitchen stated that this matter would be discussed further at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Kitchen to move in to executive session at 4:08 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

On the motion, Roll Call:

Mr. Saunders

yes

Mr. Kitchen

yes

Motion carries.

Commissioner Kitchen announced that the Commissioners would not be returning to open session.

APPROVED

DATE