

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting of September 25, 2024. The hybrid meeting took place in person at the Public Safety Facility Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road; and, via remote participation using Zoom Webinar. Members of the Commission present were Tom Dixon, Dr. Malcolm MacNab, Matt Fee and Brooke Mohr. Dawn Holdgate was not present.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dixon called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, following the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The County Commission Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND WARRANTS

Dr. MacNab moved approval of items V 1 – 2; seconded by Mr. Fee; so voted 4-0.

1. Approval of Minutes of June 26, 2024 at 5:30 PM.

2. Approval of Payroll and Treasury Warrants for July, August and September 2024.

VI. OFFICIAL BUSINESS/CITIZEN REQUESTS

1. Follow-up on Article 76 of 2024 Annual Town Meeting (Request for Town Assistance with Evictions – “Housing Court”). Chair Dixon reviewed a memo from Town Counsel in the County agenda packet. He suggested that, pursuant to a suggestion from Representative Fernandes, that the Commissioners forward a request to the Legislature regarding a Housing Court to convene on Nantucket. Town Counsel John Giorgio explained the difference between Housing Court, Superior and District Courts. Mr. Fee asked about the cost effectiveness of a Housing Court. Mr. Giorgio responded. Mr. Fee asked about a reference to budgetary issues in Mr. Giorgio’s memo. Mr. Giorgio explained and suggested it could be a challenge for the Massachusetts Trial Court for those and other reasons to hold a Housing Court on the Island. Some discussion followed as to the specifics of what it would take to hold a Housing Court here. Ms. Mohr moved to request the Town’s legislative representatives to pursue filing the suggested legislation; seconded by Dr. MacNab; so voted 4-0.

VII. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS/COMMENTS

There were no reports or comments.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Mohr moved adjournment at 5:44 PM; seconded by Mr. Fee; so voted 4-0.

Approved the 20th day of November 2024.

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SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 – 5:30 PM
PSF COMMUNITY ROOM, 4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM WEBINAR
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS**

List of documents used at the meeting:

- V. 1. Draft CC minutes of 6/26/2024
- VI. 1. Letter to State Legislators re: Housing Court; Article 76 of 2024 ATM with motion; Email with State Legislators; Memo from Town Counsel re: Housing Court