**Dukes County Advisory Board on Expenditures**

Minutes

**Thursday, October 5, 2017**

**2:30pm**

Dukes County Administration Building

9 Airport Road, Edgartown, MA

**County Advisory Board (CAB):** Arthur Smadbeck (Edgartown – 38.60%), Melinda Loberg (Tisbury – 13.52%), Skipper Manter (West Tisbury – 12.45%) and Bill Rossi (Chilmark – 16.56%)

**Dukes County Commissioners (DCC):** Christine Todd and Tristan Israel

**County Staff Present:** Martina Thornton – County Manager, Connie Andrade - Administrative Assistant to County Manager , Noreen Mavro Flanders – County Treasurer, Paulo DeOliveira – Register of Deeds, Sarah Kuh – Vineyard Health Care Access

**Others:** Joanie Ames – MVTV and Lizza Williamson – Dukes County Clerk Magistrate

**Art called the meeting to order at 2:30pm**

**Minutes:**

**Skipper/Bill made a motion to approve the June 6, 2017 minutes as amended (the word “balance” was deleted). So voted. Chilmark yes, Edgartown yes, Tisbury yes, West Tisbury yes and Oak Bluffs abstains. Motion carries.**

**Skipper/Bill made a motion to approve the June 27, 2017 minutes as presented. So voted. Chilmark yes, Edgartown yes, Tisbury yes, West Tisbury yes and Oak Bluffs abstains. Motion carries.**

**Dukes County Sheriff Office Regional Emergency Communication Center – Technology Improvement Funding Request:**

The CAB said this item will be discussed after the DCC has made a recommendation.

**Art opened the public hearing at 2:39pm**

**FY2018 Capital Improvement Budget:**

**Courthouse:**

Martina reviewed the FY2018 Proposed Capital Improvement Budget with the CAB (see file). She said the DCC approved the FY2018 Capital Improvement Budget which includes improvements at the courthouse including $50,000.00 for the air conditioning, $40,000.00 for a new chair lift and $90,000.00 for a new handicap ramp and $30,000.00 for grounds and parking lot improvements. The total for the courthouse is $210,000.00. She said the trial court will reimburse the County for 81 percent of the costs. She has also asked the Edgartown Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to partially fund the difference for the handicap ramp due to the requirements of the historic committee.

**Vineyard Health Care Program (VHCAP) Access Window Repair:**

Martina said the DCC approved the recommendation for appropriation at their meeting on October 4, 2017 for the repair of windows at VHCAP for $3,650.00.

**Bill /Melinda made a motion to appropriate $65K from the Unreserved Fund to the FY2018 Capital Improvement budget. So voted. Edgartown yes, Chilmark yes, West Tisbury yes, Tisbury yes and Oak Bluffs yes. Motion carries.**

**Melinda/Bill made a motion to approve the FY2018 Capital Improvement Budget as presented. So voted. Edgartown yes, Chilmark yes, West Tisbury yes, Tisbury yes and Oak Bluffs yes. Motion carries.**

**Cape and Islands License Plate Revenue:** The CAB said the towns will use the license plates monies for tourism and economic development.

**Bill/Brian made a motion to return $150,000.00 to the towns from the Cape and Islands License Plate revenue with the caveat that the funds be used for tourism and economic development. So voted. Edgartown yes, Oak Bluffs yes, Chilmark yes, Tisbury yes and West Tisbury no. Motion carries.**

**Bill/Melinda made a motion to rescind the vote taken from the CAB meeting on September 5, 2017 for returning $250,000.00 to the towns. So voted. Edgartown yes, Oak Bluffs yes, Chilmark yes, Tisbury yes, Oak Bluffs yes and West Tisbury yes. Motion carries.**

**FY2019 Vineyard Health Care Access Program Proposed Budget:**

Martina reviewed the proposed FY19 budget with the CAB (see file). She said the largest increase is in health insurance costs.

**FY2019 Dukes County Social Services Program Proposed Budget:** Martina gave the CAB a brief history of the program. She would like to have the position hours increased to full time. The overall cost to the town would be is approximately $48,000.00 based on the 50/50 formula. A discussion was held. The CAB said that this program should say under Martina’s leadership and perhaps someday it can be under Sarah’s umbrella.

**Skipper/Bill made a motion to adjourn the CAB meeting. So voted. Edgartown yes, Chilmark yes, Tisbury yes, Oak Bluffs yes and West Tisbury yes. Motion carries.**

**CAB meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

JOSEPH E. SOLLITTO, JR., Clerk of Courts

**Documents presented at the meeting and part of the Official Records:**

* Agenda
* FY2018 Dukes County Capital Improvement Budget
* Dukes County Sheriff’s Office Technology Improvement Funding Request
* Cape and Islands License Plate Revenue & Expense History
* Dukes County Social Services Data
* FY2019 Proposed Budget for Social Service Programs