

Dukes County Commission (DCC)
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 9, 2022
4:00 PM

REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

Dukes County Commissioners Present: Christine Todd, Tristan Israel, Peter Wharton, Keith Chatinover, Don Leopold, Leon Brathwaite

Other County Officials Present: Martina Thornton – Dukes County Manager,

Others Present: Aidan Pollard, Abigail Rosen, Doug Ruskin

Christine called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM

Legislation relative to appointing County Treasurer who does not have to reside in the county:

Legislation was drafted by the county counsel, consulted with legislative team and sent to County Commissioners as a draft. Christine read the proposed language into the record. Martina said that along with the legislation will go a letter requesting for the legislation to be filed with the explanation for the need of the legislation. The main reason is that county has been advertising for months and we are unable to get qualified candidates that would be able to work full time. Discussion followed. The meaning of the last sentence was questioned but considering the urgency of the matter it was agreed to vote on the legislation as proposed.

Don/Keith moved that the County petition the General Court to enact special legislation to permit the County Commissioners to appoint a Treasurer who need not be a resident of the County, as follows:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY TO APPOINT A TREASURER WHO MAY NOT BE A RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of chapter 35, section 1 of chapter 55, section 160 of chapter 54, section 143 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law, rule, regulation to the contrary, the treasurer for the county of Dukes County need not be a resident of the County.

Section 2. Upon the effective date of this Act, the current appointed treasurer shall continue in that position and perform the duties thereof, until the expiration of the term for which he or she was appointed. Upon a future vacancy by removal or otherwise, the commissioners may appoint a county treasurer in accordance with section 1.

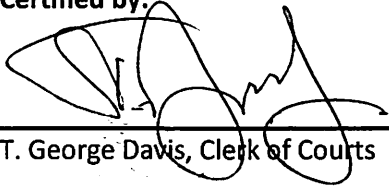
Section 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

- A. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill unless the County Commissioners approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The County Commissioners are hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

So voted. Peter Wharton— yes, Tristan Israel - yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold - yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Christine Todd - yes. Motion carries.

Leon/Tristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:09PM. So voted. Tristan Israel – yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Peter Wharton – yes, Don Leopold – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Christine Todd - yes. Motion carries. The Dukes County Commission meeting was adjourned at 4:09PM.

Certified by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. George Davis', is written over a horizontal line.

T. George Davis, Clerk of Courts

Documents presented at the meeting and part of the official record:

- Meeting Agenda
- Proposed legislation