

**Dukes County Commission (DCC)  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 20, 2022  
4:00 PM**

**REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY**

**Dukes County Commissioners Present:** John Cahill – Vice Chair, Tristan Israel, Leon Brathwaite, Keith Chatinover, Don Leopold

**Other County Officials Present:** Ann Metcalf – County Treasurer

**MV Airport:** Airport Commissioners - Bob Rosenbaum

**Others Present:** Meghan Gombos- MV Commission, Lizette Williams- Adult Community Education (ACE) MV, Aidan Pollard - The Gazette;

**John Cahill called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.**

**Minutes**

Tristan moved to approve minutes of 4-6-2022, Leon second. So voted. **Leon Brathwaite - yes, John Cahill – yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Don Leopold- abstained. Motion carries.**

**Climate Change Presentation – Meghan Gombos – Martha’s Vineyard Commission**

Meghan Gombos, lead Climate Action Plan facilitator gave very well laid out presentation on the Martha’s Vineyard Climate Action Plan (see file). Many goals and objectives for Economic Resilience, Biodiversity, Transportation & Infrastructure, Food Security, Public Health & Safety, and Energy Transformation were pointed out. The County Commissioners were impressed with the thought and initiative put into creating the Plan by the whole team.

**Support Letter for ACE MV for federal funding**

Don Leopold introduced Lizette Williams from ACE MV. She spoke to the services they would like to provide, and the additional funding needed to advance their directive. Draft support letter was presented to the county commissioners (on file).

**Tristian moved to approve and sign the letter of support as drafted. Keith seconded. So voted. John Cahill – yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes, Don Leopold- yes, Keith Chatinover – yes. Motion carries.**

**Deeds Excise Legislative Amendment Request**

John brought up sending the letter to increase the amount of the Deeds Excise that the Counties could retain. More information on file.

**Tristian move to approve sending the letter supporting the legislation. Leon seconded. So voted. John Cahill – yes, Keith Chatinover – yes, Don Leopold- yes, Leon Brathwaite – yes. Motion carries.**

**ARPA Updates**

John reported that his group is planning to meet in the near future. Leon reported they reviewed the draft application and the draft grant agreement with the auditors. They hope to have the final documents ready by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Calendar –DCC regular meeting 5-4-2022 at 4:00pm

Leon/Tristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:05PM. So voted. Keith Chatinover – yes, Tristan Israel – yes, John Cahill – yes, Leon Brathwaite - yes. Motion carries. The Dukes County Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:05PM.

Certified by:



T. George Davis, Clerk of Courts

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

- Meeting Agenda
- CAP Climate Action Presentation
- Draft support letter for ACE MV
- Proposed Legislation to amend section on deeds excise retention by counties
- Manager's Report