Dukes County Commission (DCC) Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 1, 2021 4:30 PM

REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

Dukes County Commissioners Present: Christine Todd – Chair; John Cahill – Vice Chair; R. Peter Wharton; Tristan Israel, Donald Leopold, Leon Brathwaite, Keith Chatinover*

Other County Officials Present: Martina Thornton – Dukes County Manager and Paulo DeOliveira – Register of Deeds, Bruce Montrose – Veterans Services Officer,

Ann Metcalf - County Treasurer

Others Present:

Christine Todd called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM.

Minutes

Tristan/John made a motion to approve DCC Minutes 8-4-2021, 8-18-2021 as presented. So voted. John Cahill aye, R. Peter Wharton aye, Tristan Israel aye, Don Leopold aye and Christine Todd aye. Motion carries.

Leon joined the meeting.

American Rescue Plan Act funding - update

Don presented updates (see slides attached to record). Peter notified DCC that he had to recuse himself from acting on the ARPA Steering Committee due to conflict of interest due to MV Hospital submitting application and potential application of Edgartown Waste Water that would benefit the MV Hospital. He needs to recuse himself from any deliberation on the MV Hospital application if they apply and it comes before the DCC. He would ask that that discussion happens first without him, and he can participate on discussion on the remaining applications before DCC. Commissioners thanked Peter for his work on the Steering Committee. The board discussed if there is a need to replace Peter's seat on the Steering Committee with another DCC member since the process is already so far down the road. Don updated the DCC on whom the Committee received applications from so far and the outreach that the Committee did targeting some regional organizations on the island. There might be some urgent needs for funding and therefor need to identify an expedited process. Ann agreed to apply for the funds so that they are available on October 2nd.

^{*}Keith joined the meeting at 5pm

Surplus 8 guest chairs at the Registry of Deeds

Tristan/ Keith moved to Surplus 8 guest chairs at the Registry of Deeds. So voted. John Cahill aye, R. Peter Wharton aye, Tristan Israel aye, Keith Chatinover aye, Leon Brathwaite aye, Don Leopold aye and Christine Todd aye. Motion carries.

Manager's Report - see document on file

Webinar setting – We are running the meeting today in webinar setting and right now the attendees cannot see other attendees. Keith will help Martina to change the setting to make sure it happens going forward.

Old business

Paid parking on State Beach – Christine proposed to explore to install kiosks on state beach and charge for parking. Discussion followed. Keith said he is not in favor of charging islanders. He would prefer apps that people can download and pay on-line instead of kiosks. Questions were raised if we have jurisdiction, authority to charge for parking tickets, how much are we looking at collecting and would the county be able to keep the revenue, or will this be a passthrough for another entity? Subcommittee was created to look into this issue: Keith and Peter.

We will reach out to Jim Malkin, our SSA representative to come to the next meeting to give us updates.

New business – Kitesurfing issues on Sengi and the ocean side were raised to the chair. We will notify the authorities from Edgartown and Oak Bluffs

<u>Public Comment - There were no public or press comments.</u>

Tristan/Leon made a motion adjourn the meeting. So voted. John Cahill aye, R. Peter Wharton aye, Tristan Israel aye, Keith Chatinover aye, Leon Brathwaite aye, Don Leopold aye and Christine Todd aye. Motion carries.

The Dukes County Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

The next Dukes County Commissioners Meeting is on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 4:30 PM.

Certified by:

T. George Davis, Clerk of Courts

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

- Meeting Agenda
- Manager's Report 9-1-2021
- ARPA funding presentation