

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
APRIL 25, 2012**

E. Bud Whalon called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: E. Bud Whalon, Dean V. Cronin and Thomas J. Pires

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of April 18, 2012.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #043A-12	Payroll	\$	63,210.29
Warrant #043B-12	Vendor bills	\$	15,415.10
Warrant #043C-12	Vendor bills	\$	172,563.21
Warrant #044D-12	Vendor bills	\$	1,964.17

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Details: The Board has nothing to report at this time.

Correspondence

Screenings and registration for children who will be age 5 before September 1, 2012 will be held the week of May 7, 2012 for the 2012-2013 Kindergarten year.

United Way of Greater Attleboro/Taunton, Inc. would like to acknowledge the countless volunteers in Dighton who volunteer in a variety of ways throughout the year.

Columbia Gas of Massachusetts is requesting any additional sensitive areas located on or near the rights of way Vegetation Management Plan and approved Yearly Operational Plan which may be found on their website. Said notice will be posted by the Town Clerk.

Columbia Gas of Massachusetts has filed a petition with the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities to increase total annual revenues by \$29.2 million, or 6.4 percent. The primary reasons include an ongoing infrastructure replacement program and recover operating costs incurred to provide safe, reliable and cost-effective service to customers.

Announcements were read.

Report of the Personnel Officer

Review/Discuss/Act: Appointment of Veterans Agent

On April 26th resumes were reviewed and five interviews were conducted by Dean Cronin and Robert Woods, Jr. for a Veteran's Agent. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to appoint John (Jack) Taylor, North Dighton as Dighton's Veterans Agent.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Susan Lorenz, School Committee Member re: Tri County Vocational Charges

Newly elected and appointed Chairman Susan Lorenz appeared before the Board to discuss the status of the Tri County Vocational tuition charges. The FY13 budget has been corrected and Tri County Vocational will bill the appropriate town directly as required by state law. It was noted, that discussions are ongoing relative to Dighton's FY12 reduction request and seeking reimbursement of prior years charges.

Review/Discuss/Act: Vacation Carry Over Request

The Board received and read a vacation carry over request from Karlene Bourque, Police Department. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to approve Karlene Bourque's request to carry over 49.50 hours of vacation time from Fiscal Year 2012 into Fiscal Year 2013.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Finance Committee Member Resignation

The Board received a letter of resignation from the Finance Committee from Christopher Andrade due to his recent election to the School Committee. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept the letter of resignation from the Finance Committee from Christopher Andrade.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Grange Hall Plumbing Bids

The Board received and read the two bid proposals to install a grease trap at the Grange Hall. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to accept the grease trap proposal of Earle Plumbing Co., Dighton in the amount of \$3,594.00 for the Grange Hall.

Voted: UNANIMOUSLY

Review/Discuss/Act: Appoint an Alternate Soil Conservation Board Member

The Board determined that an Alternate Soil Conservation Board member should be made in case a member becomes absent during the upcoming Soil Conservation hearing. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to appoint Robert E. Mullen, Dighton as an Alternate Soil Conservation Board Member.

Voted: UNANIMOUSLY

John VanGyzen Hall, Inc., Liquor License Hearing

The Board opened and read the Public Notice for the Liquor License Hearing for the John VanGyzen Hall, Inc. It was determined with the exception of the name change from Lance Corporal John VanGyzen Hall, Inc to John VanGyzen Hall, Inc., all matters concerning the license remain the same. There was no opposition received from the public. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded E. Bud Whalon: VOTED to approve the Liquor License Application of John VanGyzen Hall, Inc., 495 School Street, North Dighton.

Voted: UNANIMOUSLY

Review/Discuss/Act: Verizon New England, Inc. Pole Hearing

The Board received and read a Petition for Conduit Location on Center Street. Said petition is necessary due to road and bridge work at said location. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to approve Verizon New England, Inc.'s Petition for Conduit Location on Center Street.

Voted: UNANIMOUSLY

Public Input

Fire Chief Antone Roderick, Jr. thanked everyone for the assistance in the forest fire that took place a few weeks ago. It was noted that the only expenses incurred was for the full time firemen who responded.

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to enter into executive session at 8:10 PM under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a) (2).

Vote:	E. Bud Whalon	AYE
	Dean V. Cronin	AYE
	Thomas Pires	AYE

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to return to open session at 8:21 PM.

Vote:	E. Bud Whalon	AYE
	Dean V. Cronin	AYE
	Thomas Pires	AYE

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin to adjourn at 8:21 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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Respectfully submitted,
Boards of Selectmen/Health
Kerrie J Easterday, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dean V. Landon".