

The following Meeting was video recorded for cable broadcast.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wednesday, 14 January, 2015, 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Regular Meeting

Town Hall –Selectmen's Meeting Room

1. **Chairman Dean V. Cronin called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.**
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance** was then recited.
3. **Approval of minutes:** January 7, 2015, Motion by Patrick W. Menges to approve, seconded by Tom Pires, unanimously approved.
4. **Approval of Warrants:** **29A-15** \$68,074.87; **29B-15** \$95,432.10.
5. **Correspondence:** is read from State of Massachusetts regarding Chapter 90 apportionment (transportation funding) for FY 2015, being increased from \$287,952.00 to \$431,929.00.
6. **Announcements:** Were read by Tom Pires. (See attached).
 - a. Selectman Cronin reads a list of current Elected Officials whose terms are expiring 2015. They are as follows:

BOARD OF ASSESSORS	Joseph Silva, Jr.	1668 Pine Street, Dighton	2015
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	Thomas J. Pires	3223 Millers Lane, Dighton	2015
D-R SCHOOL DIST. COMM.	Christopher Andrade	1975 Milk Street, Dighton	2015
D-R SCHOOL DIST. COMM.	Susan M. Lorenz	1375 Center Street, Dighton	2015
HOUSING AUTHORITY	Alice E. Souza	1679 Elm Street, Dighton	2015
PARKS AND RECREATION	Timothy Rhines	316 Main Street, Dighton	2015
PLANNING BOARD	David J. Araujo, Sr.	790 Tremont Street, N.Dighton	2015
PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Alison A. Cembalisty	2544 Pleasant Street, Dighton	2015
SEWER COMMISSIONERS	William J. Mendoza	1721 Milk Street, Dighton	2015
TOWN MODERATOR	William E. McKeon Jr	2308 Pleasant Street, Dighton	2015
TREE WARDEN	Thomas C. Ferry	1070 Williams Street, N. Dighton	2
 - b. Announcement from National Grid regarding home invasions, billing scams, and employee impersonators, is read by Chairman Cronin.
 - c. Announcement from Bristol County Mosquito Control regarding opting out of spraying is read by Tom Pires
7. **Old Business: None**

8. New Business:

- a. Notice from Mary Hathaway for properties on Smith and Wellington Street is read by Chairman Cronin. This is an acknowledgement of foreclosure, and consists of just land. Chairman Cronin will call insurance company to see if we should insure property. Map 10, lots 107, 108 and 109. We will have to vote to authorize the insurance is that becomes necessary
- b. Notice from Mary Hathaway regarding property at Anderson Drive Map 22, Lot 78. This is another lot with no buildings. Will be handled the same as the above.
- c. Patrick moves to approve overspend letter from Tom Ferry with regard to snow removal budget for FY 2015. Selectmen Pires seconds and it unanimously carries.
- d. Selectman Menges motions to approve the policy regarding Employee's Driving License Records, with amendments by the Town Accountant. Selectman Pires seconds. Unanimously carries.
- e. Selectman Menges motions to approve Request for Proposal, Quote or Bid Policy as prepared by the Town Accountant. Selectman Pires seconds. Unanimously carries.

9. Acknowledgements:

- a. Selectman Menges wishes to acknowledge the 500-600 voters that came out last night to vote. Also, thanks to our workers, the Town Clerk and Highway Department for bringing the equipment back and forth to the school and of course the Police Department.
- b. On January 18th, at 2:30pm there will be an Eagle Scout award ceremony in honor of Michael Moitoza, son of George Moitoza, Troop master of Troop 45. He recently completed a shed at Saint Nicholas of Myra Church to hold their landscaping equipment. He cleared the land and placed a handsome shed on the land. Selectman Menges adds that the selectmen are looking forward to attending, and that it is open to the public for anyone who would like to attend.
- c. Selectman Pires wishes to thank the custodians for bringing the heat to the gymnasium during the election, and thank you to Catherine Antonellis.

Motion to adjourn: by Selectman Menges, seconded by Selectman Pires, unanimously carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karin L. Brady
Administrative Assistant
Board of Selectmen



Dean V. Cronin-Chairman



Tom Pires - Selectman



Patrick Menges - Cler

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Board of Health has sharps disposal containers for sale for Dighton residents only at the office (\$3.00qt/\$6.00gal). We now have 2 gal size for \$7.50 (a savings of \$4.50). Once full, they can be brought back to the Board of Health for proper disposal at no additional cost.
- National Grid will be performing selective side pruning and/or danger tree removal along as electric transmission right of way – the “Power Lines,” in Dighton, now thru March 31, 2015. Call Mariclaire Rigby at 508 860 6282 or email mariclaire.rigby@nationalgrid.com for any questions.
- Veterans Services is accepting donation for a POW-MIA chair, flags and related hardware to be installed in the Dighton Town Hall lobby. This legal notice posted in the Gazette on 11/12, 11/13 and 11/14.
- Census forms have been mailed. Please check your mailboxes and return census forms as soon as possible
- Dog licenses for 2015 will be available on January 5th. Female \$10.00, female (spayed) \$5.00; Male \$5.00, male (neutered) \$5.00.
- Nomination papers for town offices for the Annual Town Election will be available at the Town Clerk’s office beginning January 5th, 2015.
- Recycling Stickers – will be on sale shortly for \$1.00 (Clarification of how to use them).
- Burning season starts January 15th. Get permits at Station #1, for \$10.00. Check or money order only.
- January 22, 2105, there will be a Special Town Meeting at 7:00pm, Town Hall, lower level, to approve a prior year’s bill.