

The following Meeting was video recorded for cable broadcast.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wednesday, 4 February, 2015, 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Regular Meeting

Town Hall –Selectmen’s Meeting Room

1. **Selectman Menges acting as chairman called the meeting to order at 7:32pm**
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance** was then recited.
3. **Approval of minutes:**
 - a. January 28, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes were motioned for approval by Selectman Pires. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Motion unanimously carries.
 - b. January 26, 2015, Emergency Meeting Minutes with Department Heads, motioned for approval by selectman Pires. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Unanimously carries.
4. **Approval of Warrants: 32A-15 \$78,646.75; 32B-15 \$83,434.80. 32C-15, \$287,625.99.** Motioned for approval by Selectman Pires. Selectmen Menges stepped down to second. Unanimously carried.
5. **Correspondence:**
6. **Announcements:** Were read by Selectman Pires. (See attached).
 - a. Selectman Menges 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. Cembalistry	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. Dighton2	

7. **Old Business: None**

8. New Business:

- a. Letter written by Thomas Ferry, Highway Superintendent, asking for approval to purchase 10 pallets (400 bags) of calcium chloride at the cost of \$10.80/bag from Mozzone Lumber who was the lowest bidder, was read and motioned for approval by Selectman Pires. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Unanimously carries.
- b. Letter written by Thomas Ferry requesting approval from Board of Selectmen to award one snow day to Highway Employees for hours worked between Monday January 26th and Tuesday January 27th, per supporting documentation submitted with the letter. Selectman Pires motions to approve. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Unanimously carries.
- c. Letter written by Tom Ferry seeking approval by the Board to hire D. Almedia trucking from Dartmouth, MA, as the lowest bidder to haul salt for the Town of Dighton at the rate of \$90.00/hour. Tom Pires motions to approve. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Unanimously carries.
Selectman Menges adds that this year we have contracted to obtain salt in two ways. Pickup of the material and also delivery by another carrier. Unfortunately the State has commandeered the pile of salt in Rhode Island, so we cannot get delivery until they relinquish control. By contracting for the pickup of the material, we are able to now go and get it from another supplier on our own. Thanks to the foresight of our people who contracted it in this manner, thus allowing us to do this.
- d. Letter to approve the Kinghts of Columbus to store donated items at Van Gyzen Hall. Selectman Menges says that since this item has been added to the agenda, it has come to his attention by the Building Commissioner that there is a mold issue that will need to be corrected before we are able let the hall be used by anyone. We will not be able to discuss this until then.
Selectman Pires motions to table and Selectman Menges steps down to second the motion. Unanimously carries.
- e. Letter to award printing of Annual Town Report to Country Press, Lakeville, MA with a bid of \$890.00. Selectman Pires read the bids aloud and then makes a motion to award the bid to Country Press. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Motion carries.

- 9. Acknowledgements:** Letter written by Prime Time informing Board of Selectmen that they are in receipt of an anonymous donation in the amount of \$30.00. Selectman Pires reads the letter and motions to accept and thanks the individual for the donation. Selectman Menges steps down to second. Motion unanimously carries.
Selectman Pires adds that the weather continues to be bad, so bring in your pets, take it easy shoveling and be safe out there.
Selectman Menges thanks the Patriots for a great game! And wishes Selectman Cronin a speedy recovery.

10. Adjournment:

Selectman Menges would like to dedicate the adjournment today, to two citizens of Dighton. John F. Crawford of Pine Street, who was a graduate of Bristol County Agricultural School, and will always be remembered for his horticultural talents. The Board also wishes to remember Muriel McCain, also a resident of Dighton who was a nurse and a member of the Lutheran Church most recently in Raynham.

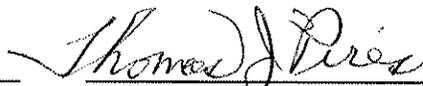
Selectman Pires motions to adjourn and Selectman Menges steps down to second. Motion unanimously carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

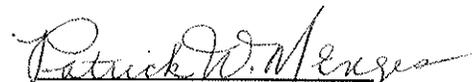
Respectfully Submitted,

Karin L. Brady
Administrative Assistant
Board of Selectmen

Dean V. Cronin-Chairman



Tom Pires – Selectman



Patrick Menges - Clerk

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– the “Power Lines,” in Dighton, now thru March 31, 2015. Call Mariclaire Rigby at 508 860 6282 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. Contact Donald Hirschy at 508- 669 5027 for information.
- Please return census forms as soon as possible
- Dog licenses for 2015 are available. 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 until 5:00 pm on February 19th 2015. Last day to submit to registrars for certification is February 23, 2015, and last day to withdraw or object to nomination papers is March 9, 2015 until 5:00pm
- Recycling Stickers –are on sale for \$1.00 at Town Hall. These are strictly for containers which do not have recycling symbols on them already.
- Burning season started January 15th. Get permits at Station #1, 300 Main Street for \$10.00. Check or money order only.
- A copy of the Master Plan is available at Town Hall and at www.dighton-ma.gov for review. Any questions or comments can be addressed to Heidi Swist at hswist@townofdighton.com or by calling 508 669 6636.