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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wednesday, May 4, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

**Regular Meeting**

Selectmen's Meeting Room, 979 Somerset Ave, Dighton, MA

Meeting called to order by Chairman Dean Cronin at 7:33 pm

Present: Dean Cronin, Nancy Goulart and Brett Zografos.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Minutes**

None

**Warrants**

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve Warrant #45A-16 in the amount of \$81,111.82, Warrant #45B-16 in the amount of \$115,921.97 and Warrant #45C-16 in the amount of \$300.00 all dated May 4, 2016.

**Correspondence**

None

**Announcements**

Read by Chairman Cronin

Selectman Goulart added that the month of May is skin cancer month and advised everyone to examine their skin.

**Quarterly Meeting with Rehoboth Board of Selectmen**

New Chairman, Skip Vadnais, came forward and said one member of his board had recently resigned due to other job commitments and two of the three other members were out of town.

Skip mentioned that at the next RAAC (Regional Agreement Amendment Committee) meeting on May 12 Rehoboth will be adamant that an alternative assessment method be included. He also said he thought this could be worked out and Rehoboth would not put this to bed until they had this discussion.

Chairman Cronin asked about the resignation of the Chairman of Rehoboth Board of Selectmen and how it would be handled.

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Skip said that the cost of an election would be \$6000.00 and that would just fill the unexpired term. He added that there were four other selectmen and the board would just wait until an annual election.

Selectman Zografos asked if there would be an issue with an even number on the board.

Skip said if it happened, they would just sit there and hash it out until the job was done.

Skip mentioned to the Board that he thought it was a good idea to split the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health.

There was discussion about separation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health in Dighton.

Skip said that Rehoboth has an elected storm water agent and it worked out nicely since it is a separate office. He added that the problem with elected officials is that you get whoever wants to run. He strongly suggested an appointed board.

There was discussion about storm water management.

Selectman Goulart asked Skip how many solar farms are in Rehoboth. He replied 4 or 5 right now.

There was discussion about PILOT (payment in lieu of tax) agreements and the ramifications if someone does not pay. There was also discussion about visibility of solar farms from the road.

Skip recommended a Clerk of the Works to oversee the installation of the solar farm at the landfill because of the liner.

Skip thanked the board and left the meeting.

### **New Business**

Selectmen Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve a request from the Building Commissioner to carry over 40 hours of vacation time from FY16 to FY17.

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve a request from Karin Brady to carry over two weeks of vacation time from FY16 to FY17.

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectmen Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve a request by the Fire Chief to carry over ten vacation days from FY16 to FY17.

### **Reports**

Selectman Goulart mentioned that she stopped by a number of events in town this weekend including the Drug Take Back Day, the Agricultural School Spring Expo and the Rabies Clinic. All events had a great turnout and went very well.

**Acknowledgements**

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to acknowledge a donation in the amount of \$30.00 to Prime Time.

**Public Input**

Tom Pires said the Planning Board held a hearing that night on proposed bylaw changes, one being the overlay district, specifically Center Street.

Tom said the concerns were if the town gets more businesses, there would be more traffic along Center Street. The sidewalk was supposed to be extended to Route 138 and turn the corner.

Selectman Goulart mentioned that this would be the responsibility of the town and was not part of the bridge project. Selectman Goulart also said she would check with highway superintendent, Tom Ferry, to see what the plan was for the project.

Tom said another matter for the Board of Health was that the retention pond on Hillcrest Drive is being used as a dirt track.

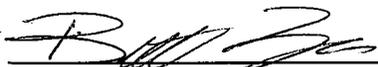
Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to adjourn at 8:53pm.

Respectfully submitted

**Karin L. Brady**  
**Administrative Assistant**  
**Board of Selectmen**



Dean. V. Cronin-Chairman



Brett R. Zografos-Clerk



Nancy J. Goulart-Member