

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
October 14, 2009**

Nancy Goulart, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Nancy Goulart, Edward D. Reese, Sr., and Thomas Pires

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve Warrants

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #016A-10	Payroll	\$	48,836.77
Warrant #016B-10	Vendor bills	\$	68,255.38
Warrant #016C-10	Vendor bills	\$	621.59
	Vote:		UNANIMOUS

Edward D. Reese, Sr., read announcements. The board signed a Certificate of Recognition for Peter Torres for 36 years of dedicated service to the Town of Dighton as a Call Firefighter/EMT.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Letter from Joy Bannister reporting a dog bite investigation at 183 Kirk Terrace, North Dighton. Final payment for her services be sent now that this report has been received.

Co-Operative Production

Jeffrey Morse, VP and CFO from Co-Operative Production met with the board and requested a letter of support for an assisted living home that they plan to build on Williams Street. The home will be a five-bedroom ranch and construction is expected to start in the spring of 2010 if funding is approved. Each bedroom will count as an affordable housing unit. Residents over the age of 22 years will attend a day program.

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: Thomas Pires, VOTED to send a letter of support as requested.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Special Town Meeting

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: Thomas Pires, VOTED to sign the Special Town Meeting warrant as presented.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

755 Main Street

Thomas Pires investigated the barn located at 755 Main Street. Demolition of the barn has been completed. However, the board will request that the exposed opening be sealed.

Inquiries will be made as to the ownership of the dog that was locked in the building when Mr. Pires visits the site.

Dog License & Kennel Fees

The board read the following fee schedule for dog and kennel licenses effective January 1, 2010 as presented by town clerk, Susana Medeiros:

<u>Dog License Fee</u>		<u>Kennel License Fee</u>	
Spayed Females	\$5.00	4 dogs or less	\$20.00
Neutered Males	\$5.00	10 dogs or less	\$35.00
Males	\$5.00	More than 10 dogs	\$65.00
Females	\$10.00		

Licenses may be obtained by mail or at the town clerk's office. Copy of rabies certificate is required. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr., VOTED

to adopt dog license and kennel license fees effective January 1, 2010 as recommended by Susana Medeiros, Town Clerk.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Town Nurse

Town nurse, Denise Wilkins, advised the board that a member need to attend the MAHB 2009 Certification Program scheduled for the month of November. Information will be forwarded to health agents.

A copy of a draft questionnaire was provided regarding an immunization clinic for school aged children for the H1N1 nasal vaccination. The clinic will be held at a local school. Date and time will be announced when plans are finalized.

Liquor License Hearing

Thomas Pires read the Notice of Public Hearing for an Alcohol License Transfer from Rapoza-Knott Post 2094, VFW, Inc. 495 School Street, North Dighton, to Marine Corp. League of Bristol County, Detachment #1285, Inc. Edward Tessier, President, announced that the hall will be open for rental events with a consideration of opening on Fridays to serve fish and chips. It was also noted that donations are being accepted for Toys for Tots and care packages for troops serving in Afghanistan and Iraq. No objections were made. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr., VOTED to grant the Transfer of License to Marine Corp. League of Bristol County, Detachment #1285, Inc., 495 School Street, North Dighton.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

Mrs. Pontes appeared before the board to discuss her real estate taxes. The board referred her to the assessor's office.

Nancy Goulart received correspondence from Representative Patricia Haddad incorporating her comments on the proposed bottle bill into house testimony.

Executive Session

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr., VOTED to go into executive session under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 39 section 23B (3) at 8:15 PM. Mrs. Goulart announced that the Board would not return to open session.

Vote:	Thomas Pires	AYE
	Nancy Goulart	AYE
	Edward D. Reese, Sr.	AYE

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr., VOTED to return to open session at 9:37 PM.

Vote:	Thomas Pires	AYE
	Nancy Goulart	AYE
	Edward D. Reese, Sr.	AYE

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr., VOTED to adjourn at 9:37 PM.

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

Approved by:
Thomas J. Pires
Edward D. Reese Sr.

