

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
FEBRUARY 17, 2010**

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 Minutes

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to approve meeting minutes of February 12, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #034A-10	Payroll	\$	51,472.36
Warrant #034B-10	Vendor bills	\$	98,204.98
Warrant #034C-10	Vendor bills	\$	1,030,266.00

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Letter to Police Chief Robert MacDonald from Gil Lopes, Jr. thanking the department for the services provided during the funeral of Gary Lopes. The board thanked police officers, firemen and the highway department for volunteering their services for the funeral.

A moment of silence was observed for Gary Lopes.

Edward D. Reese, Sr., read announcements.

Eagle Scout – Evan Papp

Evan appeared before the board requesting ideas for an Eagle Scout project. The board offered various suggestions. The board also advised Mr. Papp to speak to the highway superintendent, council of aging, the veteran's representative and the historical society.

Class II Dealers License

Rebecca Gardner appeared before the board to discuss of the renewal of the Class II Dealers License that expired on January 1, 2010. No sales were made in 2009. Mrs. Gardner said that Gardner Tire, Inc., will forfeit the license. The board concurred.

First Quarter Taxes

The board thanked all taxpayers who promptly paid the first quarter taxes, eliminating the need for the town to obtain a short term loan.

Special Town Meeting

Thomas Pires read the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 8, 2010. The \$79,063.00 expenditures are a result of the reduction in the Dighton-Rehoboth School FY10 assessment. The expenditure of these funds, if approved by voters, will not affect the tax rate. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to accept the warrant as read.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to hold a public informational meeting on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 at 7:00 P.M to discuss the warrant articles for the special town meeting.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

FY2010 Town Audit

The board opened and read audit proposals from R.E. Brown & Company and Sullivan, Rogers & Company, LLC. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to accept R.E. Brown & Company's proposal for fiscal year 2010, 2011 and 2012 audits for \$15,000.00 per year under a three year agreement.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Cruise Night

Anthony Rosario of the Vietnam Veteran's Association (VVA) requested use of the parking lot behind town hall for Cruise Night. Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to grant approval to the Vietnam Veteran's Association the use of the town hall parking lot for Cruise Night on the fourth Saturday of June, July and August.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

61A Agricultural Land Release

The board read a letter from Luke Travis, attorney for Hilda Rezendes, Trustee of the John S. Goulart Revocable Trust, requesting property located on Williams Street (Assessors Map 8, Lot 18) be released from Chapter 61A Agricultural Land. Mr. Pires reported that his research and discussion with the assessor indicated that the application for Chapter 61A was not renewed in 1996. Beginning in 1996, the property was taxed at the regular rate and all taxes have been paid in full.

FY11 Landfill Environmental Monitoring

The board reviewed the proposal from Weston & Sampson for FY11 Landfill Environmental Monitoring. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr.

VOTED to take the matter under advisement. Nancy Goulart will contact Weston & Sampson to determine if the contract amount will be less if the DEP approves a reduction in the testing schedule.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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 8:37 P.M. Mrs. Goulart announced that the Board would not return to open session.

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

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to return to open session at 10:00 P.M.

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

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to adjourn at 10:00 P.M.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:



