

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
APRIL 21, 2010**

Edward D. Reese, Sr., Member, called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

Present: Edward D. Reese, Sr., Thomas Pires and E. Bud Whalon

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve Warrants

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #043A-10	Payroll	\$	52,463.36
Warrant #043B-10	Vendor bills	\$	131,509.22
Warrant #043C-10	Vendor bills	\$	1,602.57
	Vote:		UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Letter from SEMASS offer the Town of Dighton listing the proposal for continued disposal of Municipal Solid Waste at the SEMASS Energy -from-Waste facility in Rochester. A contract amendment with the terms as outlined will be provided the week of April 26.

Letter from Rehoboth Public Access Corp., Inc. (RePAC) requesting information to evaluate the design of the new septic disposal system at the High School to determine the reasons why the stone is being put under section of the new septic disposal system. The request is made due to a request to retract RePAC statement that the system failed. Joseph Pacheco clarified events that had taken place.

Letter from William McKeon, Esquire thanking the Dighton Highway Department for sweeping the streets.

Letter from MA Department of Highway announcing that in accordance with provisions on MGL Ch. 85, sub-section 35, there is no posting required for maximum load on the Spring Street/Three Mile River Bridge.

Letter from Joe Wood of 340 Main Street requesting a stoplight and push button traffic signal with audible crossing warning installed at the intersection of Route 138 and Main Street.

Letter from State Representative Patricia Haddad to Bernard McCourt, District Highway Director, requesting consideration of a full traffic signal with push-button crossing mechanism be installed at the intersection of Somerset Avenue/Route 138 and Main Street.

Announcements were read.

402 Spring Street

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to waive the requirement that the Conservation Commission act within 21 days from the date of submittal and schedule the hearing to May 12, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Community Septic Management Program

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to issue a bond not to exceed \$200,000 for a community septic management loan program, the treasurer is authorized to issue an interim loan note or notes, each bond or note shall be issued as a single registered security and sold to the MA Water Pollution Abatement Trust, the treasurer is authorized to determine the date, form, maximum interest rate and principal maturities of each bond, that all action taken to date to carry out the project and its financing are ratified, approved and confirmed and that the treasurer and other appropriate town officials are authorized to take any and all necessary and convenient action to carry out the provisions of this vote, including execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement or Agreements and the Project Approval Certificate and Regulatory Agreement or Agreements relating to the Project.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Land Auction

Thomas Pires announced that various town owned land may be going up for auction within the next few months.

Town Counsel

Thomas Pires advised that a workshop meeting should be arranged with town counsel to go over various items.

Community Preservation Committee

Ellen Bidlack presented for consideration a draft bylaw for the recently approved Community Preservation. Ellen Bidlak announced that according to MGL Chapter 44B, a committee of nine voting members must be established. Five recommendations have been made, however, four vacancies remain open. The board will accept letters of interest along with experience at the town hall for one week.

Municipal Representative Appointment

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Edward D. Reese, Sr. VOTED to appoint Dighton's Municipal Representative with respect to the DRRTA collective bargaining to E. Bud Whalon.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Board of Sewer Commissioners Request

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to use Attorney Marguerite Mitchell, Brockton to represent the Sewer Commissions interest regarding Arborcrest.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Council on Aging (COA)

Letter of invite was received for Saturday, May 15, 2010, The Dighton Council on Aging and the Dighton Historical Commission will be awarding the Boston Post Cane to the oldest resident, Leo J. Deslauriers, who is 98 years old.

ProShred Security

Letter from the mobile shredding service company offering a substantial discount available to all cities and towns under contract number FAC-33. Edward D. Reese, Sr., will research.

Public Input

Thomas Pires announced that due to a reduction in the cost of solid waste disposal resulting from the proposed amendment to the SEMASS contract, the Board of Health will be arranging a hazardous waste collection day. Information will be distributed through a town mailer once a date is determined. Karen O'Connor asked if the remainder of monies would be placed in the stabilization account and Mr. Pires stated that appropriation of monies would be discussed with the Finance Committee. Mr. Pires also advised the public to take advantage of the micro-chipping being offered during the rabies vaccination clinic held this Saturday.

Robert Mullen announced vandalism at the Pavilion and Prime Time buildings. A request for more police patrol will be requested. On May 4th the Lions will be hosting a clam boil at the Rod & Gun Club, Seekonk. The Cow Chip Festival is scheduled for June 4, 5 and 6, 2010.

Susana Medeiros, Town Clerk, announced that the Federal Census forms are no longer available at town hall. The Census Bureau is now in the second phase and will start visiting homes who have not returned the census.

Robert Woods announced the next Memorial Day Parade meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2010, 6:00 PM at the L/CPL John J. VanGyzen IV Hall, 495 School Street. It was noted that a wreath ceremony will take place at the Dutra memorial prior to the parade.

Kendra Sardinha, Taunton Gazette, stated that she was having problems getting police logs and information from the police department. The board will address her concerns with Police Chief Robert MacDonald.

Executive Session

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded E. Bud Whalon VOTED to go into executive session under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 30 section 23(B) at 9:13 PM. Mr. Reese announced that the Board will not return to open session.

Vote:	Edward D. Reese, Sr.	AYE
	Thomas Pires	AYE
	E. Bud Whalon	AYE

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: Thomas Pires, VOTED to adjourn at 10:15 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:

E Bud Whalon
Edward D. Reese Sr.
Thomas J. Pires

