

**TOWN OF DIGHTON  
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH  
APRIL 28, 2010**

Edward D. Reese, Sr., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

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

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve Minutes

Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to approve meeting minutes of April 14, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to approve meeting minutes of April 21, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #044A-10	Payroll	\$	53,654.74
Warrant #044B-10	Vendor bills	\$	13,759.17
Warrant #044C-10	Vendor bills	\$	173,367.38
Warrant #044D-10	Vendor bills	\$	1,187.54
Warrant #044E-10	Vendor bills	\$	2,609.24
Warrant #044F-10	Vendor bills	\$	23,219.12

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Letter from the MA Office of Business Development recommending decertification of Dighton Power Associates due to non-compliance of a job creation per review and investigation of the Certified Project's Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Reporting Forms.

Letter from Shaw Cronin of Lewis Street to Thomas Ferry, Highway Superintendent, requesting assistance of a deteriorating driveway and repairs to the front lawn due to re-paving.

Notice of public hearing and request for comments regarding the petition of Bay State gas Company for approval by the Department of Public Utilities of a revised low-income discount rate design. The hearing will take place on May 6, 2010 at 2:00 PM at the Department's office, One South Station – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Boston.

Correspondence from David Kennedy requesting to address the board on May 5<sup>th</sup> regarding the appropriate method for blocking off the closed bridge on Briggs Street.

Announcements were read. E. Bud Whalon announced that he is working with cable regarding a new show "Dighton Talks," a program that will provide information to residents.

Police Department – Somerset/Dighton Detail

Edward D. Reese, Sr., requested that Dighton provide police detail for the town of Somerset. Liability concerns will be reviewed by town counsel.

Community Preservation Committee

Letters of interest were read for the Community Preservation Committee. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to appoint Ellen Bidlack of Main Street to the Community Preservation Committee.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to appoint Steven Dumenigo of Elm Street to the Community Preservation Committee.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Broad Cove Trail

Violations found consisting of accumulated trash/dumping on the property have been corrected with the exception of tires and dog feces and one neighboring property that has not corrected their violation. No Dumping and No Motor Vehicles signs have been posted. It is health agent, Kevin Bernardo's recommendation to install additional no littering signs and domestic animal enforcement law signs with fines attached. It was also suggested to post No Hunting signs. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Highway Department.

The board announced that fines relative to littering be established at \$500.00 and \$1,000.00 for Conservation/Recreation areas.

The board announced that arrangements have been made with the sheriff's office and the boy scouts to collect accumulated trash throughout the town. The board requested assistance from townspeople to report any illegal dumping.

Annual Town Meeting

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to set Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, 7:00 PM at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School and a second night, if required, on Thursday, June 10, 2010, 7:00 PM at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Anthea Sumner, 48 Forest Street

On April 12, 2010 the Board of Health received a complaint from a tenant located at 48 Forest Street relative to water in the basement and possible cross metering. Health Agent, Kevin Bernardo, investigated the premises on April 12, 2010 and found chronic dampness in the basement and ordered the owner to have the basement cleaned and all dampness/mold remediated by a licensed contractor within seven days. No cross metering was found. On April 24, 2010, Mr. Bernardo re-inspected the premises and determined that the violation had been remedied and no further action was required. Owner of the property, Anthea Sumner,

requested a copy of the complaint received and asked why no correspondence was received by the board of health. It was explained that she requested to be put on the agenda prior to the issuance of a letter and that the original will be provided. It was determined by the board that all corrections have been rectified and that no further action would be required.

Recycle Bins

Highway Superintendent, Thomas Ferry, recommended an increase in the recycle bins to \$10.00. Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to increase the 18 gallon recycle bin fee to \$8.00.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

The increase will be read two more times.

Public Input

Ed Olney notified the board that the gas station pumps have not been inspected. The board will contact Dana Wells.

Executive Session

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to go into executive session under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 39 section 23B (3) at 8:25 PM. Mr. Reese announced that the Board would not return to open session.

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

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to return to open session at 9:12 PM.

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

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to adjourn at 9:12 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:



