

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
JUNE 16, 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: Thomas Pires, seconded E. Bud Whalon: VOTED to approve meeting minutes of June 2, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #051A-10	Payroll	\$	54,013.71
Warrant #051B-10	Vendor bills	\$	37,925.85
Warrant #051C-10	Vendor bills	\$	2,786.78
Warrant #051D-10	Vendor bills	\$	8,174.86
Warrant #051E-10	Vendor bills	\$	14,350.78

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Director of the Dighton Public Library, Jocelyn Tavares announcing the construction grant for a new library has been extended to December 31, 2010. The grant is for new construction according to the plans submitted in 2005 and cannot be used for another construction or renovation.

Introduction letter from Brock Cordeiro, Administrative Aide/Legislative Liason for Sheriff Thomas M. Hodgson of the Bristol County Sherriff's Office. It is Mr. Cordeiro's hope to successfully labor as a collaborative team on behalf and to the benefit of the residents of Bristol County and the taxpayers of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Letter from Police Chief Robert MacDonald announcing his vacation.

Letter from the Board of Sewer Commissioners respectfully requests that changes of Nancy Pinto's working hours for the Sewer Department stop. Mrs. Pinto's current hours of duty for the Sewer Department are Monday and Wednesday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM for total of fifteen (15) hours. Thomas Pires spoke to Thomas Medeiros and it was agreed that the matter has been resolved.

Invitation from the Dighton Middle School to attend the graduation exercises on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at 5:30 PM.

Announcements were read.

Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment

Letter of recommendation from Joseph Pacheco, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals was read recommending Greg Logan as member of the Zoning Board of Appeals and that the application of Joseph Figuerido be placed on file to be considered as a member in the future for a position. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to appoint Gregory Logan of Pleasant Street as member to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Removal of Barges from town property

Letter from town counsel to James Deeb confirming that the Board of Selectmen require that the barges and other materials placed on town property be removed immediately.

Smoking/Break Policy

The board has received numerous complaints of offices being left unattended during morning and afternoon breaks. The board would like to reiterate to all departments that the smoking policy is still in effect and that break-time should be staggered between employees so that coverage in the office is available at all times.

Community Clean Up Proposal

E. Bud Whalon read for the third time the proposed Community Clean Up Community. Interested residents and businesses should contact the Selectmen's office. This is the final reading.

Evan Papp – Eagle Project

Evan Papp presented his Eagle Scout Project consisting of beautifying the Jennings Memorial located at Chase Street. It is Mr. Papp's intent to create a walkway, plant various items and lay down mulch. The work will require an estimate of 150-200 hours. Mr. Papp has discussed the project with Veteran's Agent, Robert Woods. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to approve Evan Papp's Eagle Scout Project of the Jennings Memorial as presented.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

End of the Year Budget Transfer Request

The board received a budget transfer request from Town Clerk, Susana Medeiros in the amount of \$1,938.90 for sick time benefits. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to approve the budget transfer request of Susana Medeiros, Town Clerk in the amount of \$1,938.90.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Planning Board Legal Bill

The board agreed that the legal bill of Blatman, Bobrowski & Mead, LLC dated May 1, 2010 should be paid for services rendered. It was determined that the boards action is temporary so that a one time payment to of Blatman, Bobrowski & Mead, LLC dated May 1, 2010 can be paid. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to temporarily suspend actions relative to the use of legal counsel in letters dated June 9, 2008 and December 14, 2009.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Library – Proposal Request

The board received a request for consideration proposals for bat extraction at the Dighton Library. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to table the request of the Library for bat extraction until after July 1, 2010.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Grant Writer

Edward D. Reese, Sr., and Thomas Pires requested to table the matter until review of applications and interviews are complete.

Workers' Compensation Insurance Renewal

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to accept the Workers' Compensation Insurance Renewal Quotation coverage period from uly 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 from MEGA in the amount of \$15,557.00.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

Robert Mullen of the Dighton Lions thanked all who assisted in the annual Cow Chip Festival and all who attended the event.

Animal Control Officer, Stacy Ferry, notified residents that fox and coyotes are not nocturnal, therefore, they will be seen during the day and to call her if they pose a threat to the neighborhood. Edward D. Reese, Sr., stated that he is still working on getting her a vehicle.

Karen O'Connor requested clarification of the stabilization account.

Annual Appointments

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 1 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 2 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 3 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires, VOTED to approve page 4 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011, with the exception of Bruce Murphy.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 5 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 6 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011, with the exception of Ronald Duquet.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 7 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Edward D. Reese, Sr., seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve page 8 of the selectmen's annual appointments for FY2011.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

A copy of the list of FY11 appointments is attached to these minutes.

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 8:35 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: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to return to open session at 9:25 PM.

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

Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Thomas Pires VOTED to adjourn at 9:25 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:

