

Selectmen's Meeting
February 16, 2011

Present were Chairman Edward Reese, Tom Pires, E. Bud Whalon

Correspondence from Bristol County Mosquito Control Project dated February 15, 2011 regarding Notice of Aerial Larval Control Application was read by Tom Pires. It was noted there will be an aerial application in 2011 between the hours of 4:00 a.m. to 9:00p.m. as conditions permit. Application will be conducted over specific large wetlands in the towns of Acushnet, Attleboro, Berkley, Dartmouth, Dighton, Easton, Fairhaven, Fall River, Freetown, Mansfield, New Bedford, North Attleboro, Norton, Raynham, Rehoboth, Seekonk, Somerset, Swansea, Taunton, and Westport in order to reduce the number of mosquito larvae.

Correspondence from Bristol County Mosquito Control Project dated January 26, 2010 as regards to the application for Mosquito Control was read by Chairman Reese. It was noted residents on the listing of excluded property owners who would like to continue to be excluded from any type of pesticide application should contact the Town Clerk's Office. Only properties provided to the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project from the Town Clerk's Office will be placed on the exclusion list.

Correspondence from Xfinity dated February 1, 2011 was read by E. Bud Whalon. Residents were advised to contact Comcast with any questions referring to the following digital cable changes.

Notice from Department of Environmental Protection dated February 10, 2011 regarding Aquaria, LLC was read by Tom Pires. It was noted DEP was in receipt of Aquaria's, LLC public water system's bacteriological reports for the month of October 2010 indicating a high concentration of Coliform. Testing was asked to be repeated however was not done. As of today they are in compliance.

Announcements were read by E. Bud Whalon:

Residents were asked to see the Town Clerk as regards to Appointments

Burning Permits would be available January 15th to May 1st for \$10.00.

Annual Town Election will take place Saturday, April 9, 2011.

The Library would have numerous activities during school vacation week.

The Animal Shelter has 10 dogs available for adoption.

Old Business was read by Chairman Reese as regards to the review/appoint a Member to the Conservation Commission. Applicants considered were Ron Marino and James Sousa. The Board acknowledged the letter from Charles Mello dated January 28, 2011 requesting James Sousa to be appointed as a Conservation Member for the reason that he has an agricultural background and currently represents local farmers to the United States Department of Agriculture as a County Committee Member for the Farm Service Agency. Following discussion Tom Pires motioned to appoint James Sousa as a

Conservation Member. E. Bud Whalon 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None.

Old Business was read by Tom Pires regarding correspondence from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts dated February 1, 2010 for the Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program Request for Responses. Tom Pires recommended forwarding request to Taunton River Alliance.

E. Bud Whalon discussed the matter under Executive Session Section C-Pertaining to Potential Litigation. Explanation was given by the Board to the party present regarding this matter that the Board's Attorney was unable to attend and the matter would need to be continued.

New Business was read by E. Bud Whalon. Correspondence from Marilyn Edge dated February 3, 2011 regarding the 2011 Expansion Grant Application for Tobacco Control was discussed. The current Grant expires on June 30, 2011 and the new Grant would be July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014 with yearly options to renew until 2018. Scope of work would include routine inspections and compliance checks for the Town of Dighton. Following discussion Tom Pires recommended for the Town to be part of the Collaborative. E. Bud Whalon 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

New Business was read by Tom Pires. Correspondence from Jocelyn Tavares, Director for the Library dated February 14, 2011 was discussed regarding the request to the Board of Selectmen to appoint Scott Haskell to the position of Library Page/Custodian. Following discussion the Board agreed more information would be needed before an appointment is made for the position. Tom Pires motioned to table this matter until further information is received. E. Bud Whalon 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

New Business was read by E. Bud Whalon. Correspondence from Tom Ferry dated February 8, 2011 as regards to a request to include a clothing collection bin from Big Sisters of Rhode Island on a six month trial basis at the location of Dighton Municipal Recycling Station was discussed. Following discussion E. Bud Whalon motioned to allow for six months then matter would be reviewed. Tom Pires 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

New Business was read by Tom Pires. Review for the Above/Below Ground Stormwater Retention System Regulations was discussed. Following discussion the Board agreed a letter would be drafted requesting the opinion of Town Board's as regards to an Above/Below Ground Stormwater Retention System.

New Business was read by E. Bud Whalon. Class II Dealers License for Paul Pacheco was discussed. It was noted there were 10 visits to 200 Williams Street that indicated no office hours or cars at the location. It was also noted Chief MacDonald has observed since mid January till today's date that there has been no vehicles at this location.

Following discussion E. Bud Whalon motioned to revoke the Class II Dealers License for Paul Pacheco. Tom Medeiros 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

Public Input comments included: Question was asked by Karen OConnor regarding Open Meeting Laws. She stated names were required to be included on the Agenda for matters to be heard tonight. E. Bud Whalon responded issues concerning litigation do not allow us to state names of parties involved.

E. Bud Whalon motioned to go into Executive Session at 8:15P.M. Tom Pires 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

E. Bud Whalon motioned to get out of Executive Session at 9:00P.M. Tom Pires 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

E. Bud Whalon motioned to adjourn the Meeting at 9:01P.M. Tom Pires 2nd the motion. All in favor. All ayes. Oppose. None. Motion carries.

Tom Pires 2/28/11