

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
APRIL 13, 2011**

E. Bud Whalon, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: E. Bud Whalon, Thomas Pires and Dean V. Cronin

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Swearing in of newly elected Selectman

Town Clerk, Susana Medeiros, Swore in newly elected Selectman, Dean V. Cronin.

Reorganization of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Health:

E. Bud Whalon declared all offices vacant and called for nominations for Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Thomas J. Pires nominated E. Bud Whalon. There were no other nominations.

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to appoint E. Bud Whalon as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Mr. Whalon accepted the position.

E. Bud Whalon called for nominations of Chairman of the Board of Health. E. Bud Whalon nominated Thomas J. Pires. There were no other nominations.

Motion: E. Bud Whalon, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to appoint Thomas J. Pires, as Chairman of the Board of Health.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Mr. Pires accepted the position.

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to appoint Dean V. Cronin as Clerk of the Boards of Selectmen and Health.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Mr. Cronin accepted the position.

Approve Minutes

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of April 6, 2011.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

E Bud Whalon

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of April 6, 2011 – Executive Session.

E Bud Whalon

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #041A-11 Payroll \$ 53,015.81

Warrant #041B-11 Vendor bills \$ 65,336.73

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Notice from Bay State Vietnam Veterans, Inc. announcing the 2011 telephone solicitation campaign.

Announcements were read.

Conservation Commission – Review/Act Request to speak to Town Counsel

The Board received a request from the Conservation Commission for permission to speak to Town Counsel relative to the acquisition of property on Pleasant Street for conservation purposes. Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve the Conservation Commission's request to contact Town counsel relative to the acquisition of property located on Pleasant Street

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

Dean V. Cronin expressed his appreciation to those who participated in his campaign, those who came out and voted, and thanked the townspeople for their vote of confidence in serving as Dighton's Selectman. Mr. Cronin is looking forward to serving the townspeople with fairness, integrity and transparency.

Jake Teixeira appeared before the Board to show tentative plans for an Eagle Scout project on Pleasant Street.

Police Chief Robert MacDonald stated that with the spring weather comes speeders. Anyone witnessing speeding vehicles in their neighborhood, should contact the Police Department.

Executive Session

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to go into executive session under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 30A section 21(a) (3) at 7:47 PM to discuss a grievance that was filed under the Clerical Union Contract.

Vote: E. Bud Whalon AYE
Thomas Pires AYE
Dean V. Cronin AYE

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Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to return to open session at 9:06 PM.

Vote:	E. Bud Whalon	AYE
	Thomas Pires	AYE
	Dean V. Cronin	AYE

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to adjourn at 9:06 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:

T. J. Pires 4/20/11
Dean V. Cronin
E. Bud Whalon