

**TOWN OF DIGHTON  
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH  
OCTOBER 19, 2011**

E. Bud Whalon called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Present: E. Bud Whalon and Dean V. Cronin

Absent: Thomas J. Pires

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve Minutes

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve the meeting minutes of October 19, 2011, 2011.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #016A-11 Payroll \$ 62,534.50

Warrant #016B-11 Vendor bills \$ 194,911.14

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

The following correspondence was read:

Taunton Area Vietnam Veterans Association thanked the Board for allowing the use of the property in the rear of the Dighton Town Hall to conduct the Annual Cruise Nights. Proceeds made from the event were donated to worthy causes such as soup kitchens, scholarship award, shelter for homeless veterans, as well as, other charities.

Letter from State Senator Marc Pacheco announcing that the Senate recently passed a supplemental budget, due to increased state revenue, that will fund local aid back to the FY11 figures. Once approved by the Governor, the Town of Dighton may receive approximately \$47,288.00 in additional local aid.

The Board received a Notice of Site Investigation and Tier I Permit Application for the former princess House, Inc., site located on Somerset Avenue as a result of a release of oil and/or hazardous materials.

The Board read an Open Meeting Law Complaint received from Thomas Medeiros relative to the Dighton Police Building Committee. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to direct Attorney Marguerite Mitchell to prepare a response.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Announcements were read.

Old Business

NONE

Robert Woods – Taunton River Stewardship Council

Robert Woods appeared before the Board to provide a status update relative to the Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC). It was noted that the TRSC now has money to fund special projects, now has Federal status and recently approved signs will be installed. Further, it was determined that a letter should be prepared to Jamie Fosburgh, NER Rivers Program requesting to restore and/or build a park at the pier that would include the bridge plate during the construction of the permanent Berkley – Dighton Bridge. Nancy Goulart added that discussions were held with MADOT relative to the installation of a new a park and reminded the Board that the property along the Taunton River must provide access to the Right-of-Way. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED direct Nancy Goulart to prepare a letter to Jamie Fosburgh relative to the proposed park at the pier and the installation of the bridge plate

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Robert Woods – Medal of Honor Recipient

Through efforts of Robert Woods, David Marvill, Thomas Ferry, Jack Costa and Timothy Rhines found the location of Frederick C. Anderson who is buried in Dighton on Elm Street. Mr. Anderson, a forgotten hero and Civil War Medal of Honor recipient, was adopted by Stilman Wilber, a Raynham farmer then enlisted into the Army at the age of 19. Mr. Anderson is being presented the Medal of Honor for heroism on August 21, 1864 while serving with Company A, 18<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry, in action at Weldon Railroad, Virginia, for the capture of ballet flag of 27<sup>th</sup> South Carolina (Confederate States of America) and the Color Bearer.

Review/Act – Highway Dept. Magnesium Chloride Bids

Highway Superintendent, Thomas Ferry received three bids for magnesium chloride flakes and recommends purchasing super sacks from the lowest bidder Mozzone Lumber, Inc., of Taunton, MA. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon,

VOTED to award the bid for 22 super sacks per truck load of magnesium chloride flakes in the amount of \$455.00 each to Mozzone Lumber, Inc., of Taunton, MA as recommended by the Highway Superintendent, Thomas Ferry.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss Upcoming Holiday Schedule

It was noted under the Clerical, Library and Council on Aging Contract, Article VIII Holidays it states that ‘if a holiday falls on a Saturday the preceding Friday shall be the designated holiday. If a holiday falls on a Sunday the next Monday shall be designated holiday’. Further, ‘if a holiday falls on an employee’s day off,... The preceding

regularly scheduled work day shall be the designated holiday for that employee.’ As such, the upcoming holiday schedule is as follows:

Friday, November 11, 2011 Veteran Day	Office will be closed Thursday, November 10, 2011
Thursday, November 24, 2011 Thanksgiving	Office will be closed
Friday, November 25, 2011 Day after Thanksgiving	Office will be closed Wednesday, November 23, 2011 <i>(No Selectmen’s Meeting will be held)</i>
Sunday, December 25, 2011 Christmas Day	Office will be closed Monday, December 26, 2011 <i>(No Selectmen’s Meeting will be held)</i>
Sunday, January 1, 2012 New Years Day	Office will be closed Monday, January 2, 2011

Review/Discuss Proposed Special Town Meeting Date

It was noted that Carol Beauregard, Assessor, would like to see the next scheduled Special Town meeting be scheduled the last week in November. E. Bud Whalon requested the matter be tabled one week to discuss the dates with Board member Thomas Pires.

Review/Act – Appoint Liaison to MA Office of Travel & Tourism

Due to an increase in interest of filming in Massachusetts, the MA Office of Travel & Tourism will be implementing new measures to protect and promote communities interested in having film activity. As such, each community will be invited to participate in a survey. Said survey should be completed by an appointed liaison. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to appoint Susana Medeiros as Dighton’s Film Liaison.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

Timothy Rhines, Main Street informed the Board that Football Coach D. Driscoll won his 200<sup>th</sup> game and asked if the Board would recognize him. More information will be provided to the Board by Mr. Rhines.

Robert Woods noted that there are numerous entitlements to Veterans who are 100% service connected. As such, Veterans should contact him for more information.

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Nancy Goulart read an excerpt from an article written in the St. Joseph's newsletter thanking town officials James Aguiar, Nancy Pinto and Susana Medeiros in their assistance in the demolition of the rectory.

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas Pires to adjourn at 8:16 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dean V. Cronin".