

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
FEBRUARY 29, 2012**

E. Bud Whalon called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

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

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve Minutes

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of February 15, 2012.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of February 22, 2012.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: E. Bud Whalon, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of February 22, 2012 – Executive Session.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #035A-12 Payroll \$ 59,713.47

Warrant #035B-12 Vendor bills \$ 32,512.49

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Correspondence

Comcast is announcing starting May 1, 2012 new increased ^{prices.} ~~prices~~ will apply to certain video services, equipment and installation fees.

On February 14, 2012 the Dighton Rehoboth Regional School District voted the following tentative assessments for the Town of Dighton: 1) FY'13 Operating Assessment in the amount of \$428,976.00; and 2) FY'13 Capital Assessment in the amount of \$248,972.00.

MassDOT has provided two passing underwater inspection reports for the Pleasant Street bridge.

Announcements were read.

Report of the Personnel Officer

Personnel Officer, Dean V. Cronin submitted his second report.

Request for Bids for a new ambulance for the Fire Department is currently being reviewed by Counsel. Fire Chief Antone Roderick, Jr., submitted a Public Disclosure of the Facts, as required by MGL 268A Sec. 23(b)(3), recognizing that the Fire Chief, Jeffrey Mazza, Barrett Johnson and Mark Hooper had prior affiliations while working as a member for the Raynham Fire Department, as well as, Chief of the Dighton Fire Department.

Review/Discuss/Act – Cemetery Commission Appointment

The Board read the Cemetery Commission's request to appoint a new Member to the Cemetery Commission. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to appoint Rebecca Webster as Member to the Cemetery Commission as recommended.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act – Culvert Replacement Project off Pleasant Street

The Board received a contract for consulting engineering services from Vine Associates for the proposed culvert replacement project on Pleasant Street. The project design consists of a new culvert to be located outside the known limits of the historic landfill to reduce flooding of the low lying areas caused by the deterioration and overburden loads of the existing culvert. Highway Superintendent, Thomas Ferry, noted that the replacement should be performed as soon as possible for public safety. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept the Consulting Engineering Services Contract from Vine Associates of Hingham in the amount of \$8,950.00 as recommended by Highway Superintendent Thomas Ferry.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Outstanding Dealers Licenses ^{is}

It has come to the attention of the Board that there ~~is~~^{is} one unclaimed Class III Dealers License. It was noted, that under the current Zoning Bylaws, Class III Licenses are no longer being allowed in the Town of Dighton. It was further noted, that the unclaimed applicant indicated that his intent was not to renew. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to send a letter of intent to the unclaimed Class III Dealers License holder.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Discuss Resident Feedback Concerning the New Police Station

Timothy Rhines asked the status of the new police station. The Board waits for the report from the Police Station Committee. Application for a loan is still under review. The Board does not intend to ask for a debt override.

Review/Discuss/Act: Acceptance of MGL, Ch. 32B, Sec. 21, 22 and 23

The Municipal Health Insurance Reform Legislation and Regulations present new opportunities for municipalities to make health insurance changes. Although no changes will be made to the town employee's health insurance, municipalities must elect to accept MGL, Ch. 32B, Sec. 21. It must be noted that Section 21 is not subject to collective

bargaining or PEC approval. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept MGL. Ch. 32B, Sec. 21, 22 and 23.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Hearing: Class II Dealers for Thomas Spellman

The Board opened the Class II Dealers License Hearing upon the application of Thomas Spellman for property located at 2035 Winthrop Street. Public Notice was read. Mr. Spellman presented an 8 ½ x 11 hand drawn map of the proposed premises. It is Mr. Spellman's intent to have 20-25 cars on the right side of the property. Mr. Spellman will provide a copy of the Articles of Incorporation, corporate vote, certificate of good standing and certificate of insurance of worker's compensation policy once obtained. There was no opposition from the public. Mr. Spellman was advised that a site plan review must be obtained from the Planning Board. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the Class II Dealers License with the condition that the requested documents will be provided and site plan approval from the Planning Board.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act – Police Chief Vacation Carry Over Request

The Board read Police Chief Robert MacDonald's request to carry over ten (10) vacations days from FY12 to FY13. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the request of Police Chief Robert MacDonald to carry over ten (10) vacation days from FY12 to FY13.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act – Server & Computer Replacement at Town Hall

The Board received two assessments from Terminal Exchange and CORE Business Technologies for the replacement of computers and server with IT support. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: E. Bud Whalon VOTED to table the matter for further review.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act – Departmental Expenditure

Upon the review of departmental expenditures and receiving numerous inquiries from the public the Board wishes to announce excess expenditures starting next week. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to announce weekly expenditures.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

Ed Olney, Cable Committee announced it has been one year since broadcasting live in the new cable room downstairs. It was noted that numerous new shows are running including "Midnight Movies" airing Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and the Committee is preparing a one hour interview per week. Thanks goes to Ron Smith for his numerous hours transferring tapes to CDs.

Thomas Pires announced that St. Nicholas Church has offered their facilities for the celebration of Dighton's Tri Centennial.

Karen O'Connor asked if police detail would be present for the recently approved Cruise Nights. Mr. Whalon believes they usually do.

Mark Oldro, abutter to the Class II Dealers Applicant Thomas Spellman, arrived late and spoke in opposition of the application.

Executive Session (MGL, Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a))

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to enter into executive session at 8:32PM under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a) for the purposes of employee suspension review (1) and pending legal matters (6).

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

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to return to open session at 9:23 PM.

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

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin to adjourn at 9:23 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

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

Approved by:

