

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
JANUARY 9, 2013**

Dean V. Cronin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Dean V. Cronin and Thomas J. Pires

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve the meeting minutes of January 2, 2013.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #028A-13	Payroll	\$	65,846.79
Warrant #028B-13	Vendor bills	\$	90,565.04
Warrant #028C-13	Vendor bills	\$	925.56

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Detail

NONE

Correspondence

NONE

Announcements were read.

Patrick Menges, Water Department Commissioner re: Hydrant Fees

On January 2, 2012, the Board received a letter from the Dighton Water District seeking \$1,750.00 in hydrant fees to defray the costs of painting, greasing, mowing, snow shoveling, flushing and repairing fire hydrants outside of the District or on individual properties as voted on October 9, 2012. The Board inquired who will be billed and upon further review of the Water District meeting minutes, no such vote was indicated. The Board invited Chairman of the Commissioners Patrick W. Menges to tonight's meeting for further clarification.

On January 9, 2013 received correspondence from Commissioner Menges providing legal counsel's opinion and in view of the correspondence, elected not to attend tonight's meeting. Further, Commissioner Menges invited the Board to their next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 if there were further questions. The Board read

legal counsel's letter dated January 9, 2013. The Board noted, that the FY13 budget has been set, therefore, no payment will be made at this time as it was not budgeted. The Board will keep the Town apprised of the situation.

Review/Discuss/Act: Ambulance Write Offs

The Board received a request from Fire Chief Antone Roderick, Jr., for an ambulance write off due to hardship and deceased patient. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to write off \$179.46 in ambulance fees due to hardship and deceased patient.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Work Order 5 & 6 Project Change Form for Contaminated Land, Highway Department

On December 12, 2012, the Board voted to accept the Green Seal Project Change Form for Work Order 5 in the amount of \$700.00, however, this amount only allocated monies for the additional soil transport and disposal of the contaminated soil. An additional \$2,112.00 is needed for the removal, laboratory cost and mileage and equipment. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin voted to amend the vote of December 12, 2012 for Project Change Form for Work Order 5 from \$700.00 to \$2,812.00.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

The Board received from Green Seal a Project Change Form for Work Order 6 in the amount of \$6,115.00 for the preparation and submittal of the IRA Status Report to MADEP, perform a groundwater sampling of all on site wells, laboratory analysis of the groundwater samples, mileage and equipment and the filing fee for the RAO to MADEP. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin voted to accept the Green Seal Project Change Form for Work Order 6 for the preparation and submittal of the IRA Status Report to MADEP, perform a groundwater sampling of all on site wells, laboratory analysis of the groundwater samples, mileage and equipment and the filing fee for the RAO to MADEP in the amount of \$6,115.00.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

It was noted that the Board intends to appoint the Town Nurse next week.

MADEP has announced that the flu epidemic is on the rise. As of date, it is reported that there have been 18 deaths in Boston as a result of the flu. Residents are reminded of the precautions of getting and spreading the flu, as well as, advising everyone to get the flu shot.

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to adjourn at 7:50 PM.

Vote: Dean V. Cronin AYE
 Thomas J. Pires AYE

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

Approved by:
Thomas J. Pires 01/10/13