

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
MARCH 27, 2013**

Dean V. Cronin called the meeting to order at 7:33 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 March 20, 2013.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #039A-13	Payroll	\$	58,877.52
Warrant #039B-13	Vendor bills	\$	16,122.04
Warrant #039C-13	Vendor bills	\$	156,174.67
Warrant #039D-13	Vendor bills	\$	1,853.72

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Detail

NONE

Correspondence

The Federal Emergency Management Agency will publish a public notification in the Taunton Gazette on or about March 27th and April 3rd concerning the appeal process relating to the preliminary copies of the revised Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Insurance Study report for Bristol County. Said publication provides community officials and citizens an opportunity to appeal the proposed flood hazard information presented on the reports, wherein, if finalized will become the basis for the floodplain management measures that each community must adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

The Finance Committee will be meeting with the D-R Regional School Committee to review the FY14 budget on Thursday, April 4, 2013, 6:30PM at the Town Hall.

The Bristol County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) would like to inform farmers and landowners that Bristol county received a FEMA Designation for Hurricane Sandy which declares Bristol County a major disaster area. For more information, please contact Julie A. Viveiros at (508) 880-0185.

The Department of Public Utilities will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the MA Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company d/b/a Nation Grid petition for

approval to collect funds necessary to replenish the Company's storm fund balance on Friday, April 12, 2013, 2:00PM at the Department Offices, 1 South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, MA.

The Board read a food recalls from La Preferida and Desang America.

Announcements were read.

The Board advised all candidates for the upcoming town election to please obtain approval from property owners prior to installing political signs on private property.

Review/Discuss/Act: Auctioning of Town Owned Land

Upon the recommendation of the Land Use Committee, the Board received an Auctioneer Contract from Paul T. Kekos, of The Zekos Group, Shrewsbury to perform auctioneer services on behalf of the Town for the auctioning of town owned land that is to take place sometime in May 2013. Proper notification of said auction will be done through the Taunton Gazette, the Town's website and the local cable channel. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept the Auctioneer Contract from Paul T. Kekos, of The Zekos Group, Shrewsbury for the auctioning of town owned land that is to take place sometime in May 2013.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Procurement Officer Liaison

Upon Town Counsel's recommendation the Board is seeking to appoint a Procurement Officer Liaison to take on the task of solidifying the responsibilities that are associated with all state mandated procurement requirements. The Town Accountant, Jennifer Luiz, has offered to take on the role and attend the required courses to become certified. A job description will be created and wages will be incorporated into the Town Accountants budget for FY14. It should be noted that the Town will see a savings as all work relating to procurement has been through Town Counsel. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin: VOTED to appoint Town Accountant, Jennifer Luiz as Procurement Officer Liaison.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Request for Proposal for Town Counsel

After careful consideration, the Board has researched and drafted a Request for Proposal for Town Counsel. It should be noted that the request is made solely for budgetary reasons and not due to work performance. The Board read the posting. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept the Request for Proposal for Town Counsel as written and advertise same.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: SRPEDD & JTPG Appointment

The Board received a request from Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) to make its yearly appointment for a delegate to the SRPEDD Commission and a representative to the Joint Transportation Planning Group

(JTPG). Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to appoint Donna Kulpa as the Town of Dighton's delegate to SRPEDD and Representative to the JTPG.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Accept Borges Bros., Trash Hauling Rate for FY14

The Board received a price proposal from Borges Bros., Trucking, Inc. for curbside trash and recycling collection for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. It was noted that the rates reflect an increase of approximately 2%, however, disposal fees for single-stream recyclables was eliminated. It was also noted that the total cost for curbside trash and recycling collection is an estimated cost as billing is based on tonnage which fluctuates yearly. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to accept the price proposal from Borges Bros., Trucking, Inc. for curbside trash and recycling collection for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 as presented.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Vacation Carry Over Request(s)

The Board received two vacation carry over requests for consideration. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the two week vacation carry over request for Jennifer L. Luiz, Town Accountant.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the two week vacation carry over request from Rosalind Grassie, Clerk for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

The Board anticipates having an update of the Berkley-Dighton Bridge easement extensions within the next few weeks. It was noted that Bristol County Agricultural High School has approved its extensions without additional costs to the Town, as well as, provided the required recording documents free of charge.

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

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

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

Approved by: 