

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
APRIL 3, 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 March 27, 2013.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

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

Warrant #040A-13	Payroll	\$	57,594.73
Warrant #040B-13	Vendor bills	\$	63,336.86

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Detail

NONE

Correspondence

The Board read a food recalls from Natura Pet Products and Rich Products.

Announcements were read.

The Board of Health will be seeking a Hazardous Waste Day once funding is approved at the upcoming Annual Town Meeting.

Through combined efforts with the Parks & Recreation Department, Fire Department and the Highway Department, the Dighton Baseball and Softball League will be able to use the North Dighton Baseball Field. Previously, the League was denied use for this upcoming season due to homes being hit by the baseballs. A net has been installed to contain flying balls and the Board thanks all of the respective departments.

Alfred Lima re: Bike Trail Presentation

Alfred Lima of the Taunton River Trail committee and Adam Recchia of SRPEDD appeared before the Board seeking the Boards support to install South Coast Bikeway signs, at no cost to the Town, as well as, the installation of informational kiosks along the Taunton River Trail to be paid for by the National Park Service. Said signs are an attempt to get bikers off of Route 138 in Dighton because it is narrow and heavily travelled. Mr. Lima states that bikers would enter the trail from Pleasant Street and enter on the railroad bed behind Georgio's restaurant and continue along the river through Sweets Knoll State Park. Costs associated for

said bike trail is \$200,000 for 25% of the costs for the design and permits. SRPEDD is currently talking with DCR about potential funding for a 2-mile bike path.

The overall goal is a 22 mile bike path that will feature on and off road trails and link communities of Taunton, Dighton, Swansea, Somerset, Fall River, Westport, Dartmouth, New Bedford, Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Marion and Wareham.

The Board offered their support and thanked Mr. Lima and Mr. Recchia for their time and presentation.

Public Input

Town resident asked why the Dighton Rock is in Berkley. The history was presented.

The Board urged all registered voters to exercise their right and get out and vote for at the Town Elections on April 6, 2013 at the Dighton Elementary School.

Executive Session (MGL, Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a) (2))

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin to enter into Executive Session (MGL, Ch. 30A, Sec. 21(a)) for purposes of reviewing easements/land takings relative to the Brook Street Bridge (6) at 8:04 PM. The Chair declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiation position of the public body.

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

Regular Session

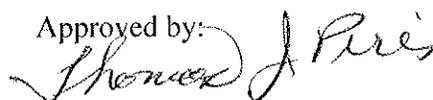
Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to return to open session at 9:57 PM.

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

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to adjourn at 9:57 PM.

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

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

Approved by:  4/10/13