



TOWN OF DIGHTON

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

1111 Somerset Avenue · Dighton, MA 02715
MEETING MINUTES for May 18, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Eric Easterday. The meeting was held at 1111 Somerset Ave. in the Old Town Hall.

Present: Eric Easterday, Nancy Goulart, William Moore,
Also Present: Stephanie Schecter, Carol Beauregard, Janelle Vining, Richard Gonsalves

OLD BUSINESS:

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to sign the proposed agreement with Verizon New England Inc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sign Payroll

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to sign payroll. After the vote, there was an amendment by William Moore, he moved to reconsider signing the payroll for the consultant, there was no second. Nancy Goulart made a motion to pay the payroll for the office staff and the consultant. Eric Easterday stepped down as chairman to second the motion.

Vote: AYES – Eric Easterday, Nancy Goulart
NAYS – William Moore

Sign Rescind/Repost Sewer Enterprise Fund FY2022, second half of FY2022 Warrant/Commitment

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve and sign the Rescind Sewer Enterprise Fund FY2022 Second half of FY2022 Warrant in the amount for \$158,507.27, and also sign the correct amount Sewer Enterprise Fund FY2022 Warrant in the amount of \$158,107.76

Sign Rescind/Repost Sewer Abatement FY2022

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to postpone this item until next meeting.

Real Estate Abatement

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve and sign the real estate abatement for \$647.33

Boat Abatements

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve and sign the 2022 Boat Abatements in the amount of \$304.67 and to approve and sign the 2021 Boat Abatements in the amount of \$50.00.

Discuss year-end financial closing information from Town Accountant

We reviewed the email sent by the Town Accountant regarding year-end financial closing information.

Discuss Consultant Contract for Appraisal Service

There was discussion with Richard Gonsalves regarding his consulting contract for assisting with the annual revaluation of the town properties. He elaborated on what he does and answered any questions that were asked. It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve and sign Richard Gonsalves' contract. The standard town contract form will be signed and attached to his contract.

Discuss and Vote on FY2023 budget

After discussion of line 5131 Overtime/Additional Hours of the FY2023 budget, it was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to reduce line 5131 of the FY2023 budget by \$1000.

TIF Committee letter from Town Administrator Mullen

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the request from Michael Mullen, Town Administrator, for Mrs. Schecter to serve on the TIF Review Board. A letter will be sent to Mr. Mullen approving her appointment as requested.

Open Fence Viewer/Field Driver Position

No action taken-position has not expired as of yet.

Public Input-None

Correspondence:

Open Meeting Law Violation

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the board clerk will draft a letter to Mr. Higgins to respond to the Open Meeting Law Violation. The letter to be reviewed, signed by Mr. Easterday and sent out.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the minutes of the Joint Meeting with the Board of Selectmen on 12/8/21 for the Classification Hearing as presented.

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the April 16, 2022 and the Executive Session Meeting April 16, 2022.

Unanticipated Items: None

Adjournment

It was moved by Nancy Goulart, seconded by William Moore, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to adjourn at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Nancy J. Goulart, Clerk

Documents:

Minutes 4/16/22 Regular & Executive, Boat Abatements 2021, 2022, Real Estate Abatement Fy2022, TIF Committee Letter, Budget FY2023, Consultant Contract, Email regarding year-end financial closing information, Open Meeting Law Violation, Payroll, Proposed Agreement with Verizon New England Inc., Sewer Enterprise Fund FY2022, second half of FY2022 Warrant/Commitment