



A Message from your Town Administrator

Hello Dighton residents!

Please allow me this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Mallory Aronstein and I am your new Town Administrator! It is a great honor and privilege to serve the residents of this great Town and I am very excited to be here.

I thought I'd send you an email to tell you a little bit about myself.

Professionally, I have been in public service since graduating Stonehill College with a Bachelors in Political Science and Communication. I received my Masters in Public Administration in 2014 from Northwestern University. Previous to my post in Dighton, I worked as Staff Director for then-State Representative Thomas P. Kennedy out of Brockton. After fifteen months at the State House, I left to serve the Town of West Bridgewater, first as their Confidential Secretary and then as their Assistant Town Administrator. Over the course of my nine years there, I developed a love for local municipal governing.

Personally, I grew up in Portsmouth, RI and moved formally to Massachusetts after college graduation, shortly after I met my now-husband, George. We live in Easton with our two boys, Cole and Kevin, and our dog, Dexter. I enjoy meeting new people, reading, and exploring new places.

My first couple of weeks in Dighton have been nothing short of wonderful! I have met with many of the Department Heads and committee Chairmen and really rolled up my sleeves to get started. I'm excited to work with the Selectmen, SRPEDD, the Animal Control Officer, the Board of Health and other members of the public to roll out the Right to Farm Bylaw and to establish a local Agricultural Commission. I had a highly productive meeting with Vicki Piazza, Chairman of the Industrial Commission, to talk about what types of businesses the town hopes to see, which companies are looking to locate here, and which organizations would best serve Dighton to help us retain those businesses and grow our local economy. I've also worked with Highway Superintendent Tom Ferry and Water District Superintendent Cathal O'Brien to explore the viability of joining a consortium of towns regarding public purchasing. We are working to determine whether the town can save time, money and resources in joining 21 communities to conduct its purchasing for commodity items.

Before we know it, we'll be working on the FY19 budget and getting ready for Annual Town Meeting in June. And of course, the Board of Selectmen and I are actively working out definitions of roles and an accurate job description that will fit the needs of Dighton in the best way.

Again, thank you for the warm welcome to Dighton. I am so very happy to be here and am enthusiastic about beginning my tenure as well as meeting the people who make up this great community. Please feel free to stop by and say hello if you happen to be by Town Hall.

Sincerely,

Mallory Aronstein
Town Administrator