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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wednesday, July 20, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

**Regular Meeting**

Selectmen's Meeting Room, 979 Somerset Ave, Dighton, MA

Chairman Cronin called meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

There was a moment of silence for Shirley Munier, Ann Rebello, Henry Goff and the victims of the recent tragedies that occurred in Dallas on July 7 and in Nice on July 14.

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of Thursday, May 17, and a regular meeting of Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

**Approval of Warrants**

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve Warrant #55A-16 in the amount of \$4,783.61, Warrant #55B-16 in the amount of \$72,094.16, Warrant #55C-16 in the amount of \$698.36 all dated June 30, 2016, Warrant #2A-17 in the amount of \$83,602.98 and Warrant #2B-17 in the amount of \$244,148.87 both dated July 13, 2016 and Warrant #3A-17 in the amount of \$106,026.99 and Warrant #3B-17 in the amount of \$168,601.23 both dated July 20, 2016.

**Correspondence**

Selectman Zografos read his letter to the Dighton Police Department expressing the selectmen's gratitude for their service to the Town of Dighton.

**Announcements**

Announcements were read by Chairman Cronin

**Additional Announcements were added:**

**TMLP-Notice of Service Interruption**

Chairman Cronin read the notice from the TMLP to their customers for an interruption of service on Saturday, July 23, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Selectman Zografos also added an announcement that applications for the Town Administrator Committee are still being accepted.

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## **Old Business:**

### **Architect's Contract for Dighton Public Library**

Jocelyn came forward to speak about the architect's contract being presented tonight. Jocelyn said that the town accountant is happy with the final form of the contract and the library's Board of Trustees has also voted to accept the final draft.

Chairman Cronin said with the town accountant's blessing, the board is ready to sign.

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to sign and accept the contract.

### **Road Opening Permit**

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to approve a road opening permit for a new water service at 578 Hart Street, Dighton, MA.

### **Notice of Retirement**

Chairman Cronin read a letter from Frederick D. Wilbur notifying the town of his retirement.

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to accept the notice of retirement of Frederick D. Wilbur with best wishes.

## **Reports**

### **Center Street Sidewalk Project**

Selectman Goulart said that Mr. George Moitozo had been elected by the Board of Trustees as a liaison to the town with regard to the Center Street sidewalk project. The Board of Trustees at the Bristol Agricultural School has voted to give the town blanket approval for all easements and rights of entry needed. She added they have also offered us a staging area in the front yard of the Harrison property so the contractor can get his equipment off the road in the evenings.

Selectman Goulart reported that the Highway Department is working on Park Street to replace old drainage pipes and will be there for a couple more days.

### **Acknowledgements**

Selectmen Zografos read a letter that he wrote to a fellow citizen named Andrea for her recent random act of kindness.

The Board also acknowledged and thanked the Dighton Garden Club for their maintenance of the flowers here at town hall and around town.

## **Public Input**

Mr. Thomas Bourquin of 3076 Hunters Hill Road, was present to check on the status of his application for a seat on the Town Administrator Committee and the board said they were still looking for additional applicants.

Ed Onley, representing the cable commission was present to announce that the Selectmen's meetings are now on at noon and 7:00 p.m. daily.

Matthew Tanis was present to discuss the current status for hiring of full and/or part time dispatchers and the need to address this situation immediately.

Chairman Cronin said that the board has been discussing this and will address it.

Matt recommended two more part timers to alleviate the strain on the six shifts.

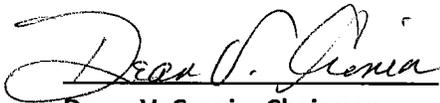
Chairman Cronin said the board is aware of the problem and they are working on it and he thanked Matt for coming in.

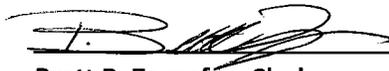
**Adjournment**

Selectman Goulart motioned, Selectman Zografos seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

**Karin L. Brady**  
**Administrative Assistant**  
**Board of Selectmen**

  
Dean. V. Cronin, Chairman

  
Brett R. Zografos, Clerk

  
Nancy J. Goulart, Member

