



**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting Via Zoom and In-Person at
Old Town Hall - 1111 Somerset Avenue**

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Time: 3:49 PM

By: (Signature)

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- 1) Public Input may be provided using the following methods:
- a) Contact our office at boardofselectmen@dighton-ma.gov to provide input prior to the meeting.
 - b) Via Zoom/Call in by Phone: See Information Above
- 2) Continued Play on Dighton Channel 9 and on YouTube at: www.youtube.com/townofdighton

This meeting is being recorded. "The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law".

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Moment of Silence: Ronald Aguiar

4. Scheduled Appointments:

6:30 pm: Dana Rose, Candidate for Appointment, Dighton Commission on Disability

6:35 pm: Laura Medeiros, Office Manager, Council on Aging - Update on the Council on Aging

5. Announcements:

- Bulky Item Curbside Pick-up is scheduled for Monday 5/22/23 through Friday 5/26/22. Tags may be purchased at the Board of Health Office, 1111 Somerset Ave. Contact the Board of Health to order your tags at 774-872-0943. A separate tag is required for each item to be disposed. Bulky item schedule is the same schedule as trash pick-up and items must be out no later than 7:00 a.m.
- The 2023 Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at the Veterans Memorial Park on Monday, May 29th at 10:00 a.m. The Ceremony begins at the Pavilion located behind Old Town Hall at 1111 Somerset Avenue and will end at the Veterans Memorial Park. Please join us to honor all those served our country.
- The Dighton Historical Society presents the 6th Annual Dighton Strawberry Festival to be held on June 10, 2023 from 11 AM – 3 PM at the Lions Pavilion, Dighton Town Grounds (1111 Somerset Avenue). There will be pony rides, balloon animals, live music, craft vendors, strawberry shortcakes.

Announcements (Continued):

- The Town of Dighton Food Bank distribution will be held next on June 17, 2023 located at the Town Hall, 979 Somerset Avenue, (Lower Level).
- The Town of Dighton plans to fill a vacant member position on the Board of Health. The Board of Health is a three member Board appointed by the Board of Selectmen that is required by state and local laws and regulations to provide policy guidance, direction to Board of Health office staff, and applicable enforcement action as needed related to the protection of public and environmental health. All applicants are required to submit a completed Town of Dighton employment application, along with a resume and cover letter by email to lkerwin@dighton-ma.gov. Applications will also be accepted by mail or hand delivery to the Office of the Board of Selectmen, 979 Somerset Avenue, Dighton, MA 02715. Full description of the position can be found on the Town of Dighton website at dighton-ma.gov. Applications will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on May 26, 2023.

6. Public Input

7. Town Administrator's Report:

- a. Annual Town Meeting – Town Meeting Warrant Overview Presentation

8. Selectmen's Reports:

- a. Peter Caron, Chairman – Solid Waste Committee
- b. Nicole Mello, Clerk – Library Building Committee
- c. Leonard E. Hull, Jr., Member – Dighton Water District

9. Old Business:

- a. Review/Discuss/Act: Recommendation to Appoint Leah Quinn to the Commission on Disability
- b. Review/Discuss/Act: Recommendation to Appoint Dana Rose to the Commission on Disability

10. New Business:

- a. Review/Discuss/Act: Announcement of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Dispatchers/Communications Union
- b. Review/Discuss/Act: Memorandum of Understanding Between Town of Dighton and SRPEDD (Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District) – Regional Energy Planning Assistance
- c. Review/Discuss/Act: Facilities Request – New Leaf Energy: Community Meeting to Introduce Battery Energy Storage Project
- d. Review/Discuss/Act: Review and Update Town of Dighton Policy and Procedures and Board and Committee Handbook
- e. Review/Discuss/Act: Information Security Policy
- f. Review/Discuss/Act: Appoint Nicole Mello as Voting Member of the Agricultural Committee
- g. Review/Discuss/Act: Proposed Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule for July/2023 – December/2023

11. Approval of Warrants:

- a. Warrants dated April 18, 2023
- b. Warrants dated April 25, 2023

12. Acknowledgement:

- a. ALA Grant Award Letter

13. Correspondence:

- a. Letter from Pamela Tenglin re: Retirement from position of Assistant to the Town Clerk

14. Minutes:

- a. Approval of the Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2023

15. Executive Session

Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3)

To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares.

- a. Clerical Union

Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(7)

7. To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements.

Executive Session Minutes:

Approval of the Board of Selectmen's Executive Session Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2023

16. Adjournment