

Select Board Members Present:

Joseph Michaud-Chairperson
Diane Gilbert
Nathalie Dias

Robert W. Carney, Vice-Chairperson
William J. Trimble

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on October 20, 2008 in room 304.

Board members signed the **warrant(s)** for the following bills from various departments in the amounts of:

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| \$ 865,084.39 | PR14 | \$ 1,057,372.33 | PD0915 | \$ 45,077.46 | S0916 |
| \$ 54,623.69 | T0916 | \$ 853,187.10 | PR15 | \$ 399,281.86 | PD0916 |
| \$ 33,517.57 | P0917 | \$ 224,864.27 | S0917 | \$ 361,950.11 | T0917 |

The Chairperson took the appointments out of order.

6:30/Application of Texas Roadhouse for a Change of Manager to Josh Gurney.

Tabled.

6:35/Application of Chuck E. Cheese for a Change of Officers.

Tabled.

6:40/Board to conduct the Affordable Housing Lottery for the Schofield Farm located on Old Fall River Road.

Attorney Matthew Thomas and Dawn Young, Representative from BankFive were present for the Housing Lottery. Attorney Thomas stated eight individuals applied for the Housing Lottery; however, only two qualified Seth McDonough and Kyle Medeiros. Attorney Thomas explained to qualify you have to earn less than \$58,500 and qualify under the Agricultural guidelines. Selectperson Diane Gilbert was given the honors of picking the winner out of a hat. Attorney Thomas announced the winner Kyle Medeiros, the new owner of Schofield Farm.

6:50/Board to sign Bonding from the Water Pollution Abatement Trust Fund for Sewer Projects.

Edward Iacaponi, Director of Budget and Finance, briefed the Board on Bonding from the Water Pollution Abatement Trust Fund for Sewer Projects. The rate on the bond would be .85%.

New Business:

Petitions of NStar Gas to obstruct and disturb the surface of: 2 Holland Street, 1118 Tucker Rd and 123 Russells Mills Rd.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Robert Carney and seconded by Selectperson Nathalie Dias, it was voted unanimously to approve the petition of NStar Gas to obstruct and disturb 2 Holland Street, 1118 Tucker Rd and 123 Russells Mills Rd.

Letter from Ninety-Nine Restaurant re: Request to change Sunday opening time.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Robert Carney and seconded by Selectperson Nathalie Dias, it was voted unanimously to approve the change of opening time to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday only.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Board of Library Commissioner re: Library Waiver.

Michael Gagne read a copy of a letter sent to the State Board of Library Commissioners and Application for Waiver of the FY 2008 Municipal Appropriation Requirement.

Letter from Division of Marine Fisheries re: Status on openings for the taking of shellfish.

The Executive Administrator informed the Board all local areas are open for the taking of shellfish.

Letters from Melissa Dick, Dartmouth Cultural Council, requesting the Board consider appointing Charlotte Hamlin and Mimi Powel to the Dartmouth Cultural Council.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Robert Carney and seconded by Selectperson Nathalie Dias, it was voted unanimously to appoint Charlotte Hamlin and Mimi Powel to the Dartmouth Cultural Council.

Selectperson Diane Gilbert requested the Executive Administrator read a letter from Attorney Daniel Perry in reference to the Conservation Restriction at Mishaum Point.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Carney felt that this issue was previously twice addressed before and no further request should be allowed.

A motion was made by Selectperson Diane Gilbert, with no second forthcoming the motion failed to allow the Executive Administrator to read the letter from Attorney Daniel Perry in reference to the Conservation Restriction at Mishaum Point.

Minutes:

Minutes of October 2, 2008 workshop and October 6, 2008.

After a motion was made by Selectperson Nathalie Dias and seconded by Selectperson William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of October 2, 2008 workshop and October 6, 2008.

Other Business:

Vice-Chairperson Robert Carney mentioned the sign is still outside the Wal-Mart on Rt 6 and would like the Zoning Enforcement Officer to address this issue.

The Executive Administrator notified to the Board he and Edward Iacaponi attended a presentation with Congressman Barney Frank in reference to the credit crisis. Mr. Gagne is concerned how the credit crisis will effect the Town and stated with the decreased number of home renovations and new homes being built in Dartmouth there is a fiscal concern. Mr. Gagne hopes the House and Senate will look closely at this issue.

Chairperson Michaud read an article from the Beacon in reference to the economy. The Chairperson stated he will be working to address the way in which we conduct our business. Chairperson Michaud mentioned the possibility of consolidation of departments, regionalization and privatization in certain departments in Town.

Selectperson Trimble questioned if Local Aid Chapter 70 has been cut.

The Director of Budget and Finance stated Chapter 70 has not been cut yet and he doesn't feel this will have a huge impact on the Town.

Selectperson Trimble announced the Annual Fall Town Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Dartmouth Middle School.

Selectperson Gilbert mentioned the CPA state matching funds have been decreased with more Municipalities applying the funds decreased from 100% to 67%.

Selectperson Trimble announced the Dartmouth Youth Lacrosse Spring season will begin in April. Mr. Trimble stated they play on Sunday afternoons at Friend's Academy.

Chairperson Michaud announced an open house will be held on Wednesday October 22, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. at the first women veterans' transition house at 98 Arnold Street New Bedford.

With no further business to discuss, the Chairperson declared the regular meeting adjourned.

Attest:



Michael J. Gagne, Executive Administrator

Transcribed by: Linda Torres