

# Town of Dartmouth 400 Slocum Road Dartmouth, MA 02747

#### **Board of Selectmen**

#### **Select Board Members Present:**

Michael P. Watson-Chairman Lara H. Stone-Vice-Chairwoman William J. Trimble Joseph Michaud Shawn McDonald

The Chairman called the public meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on March 26, 2012 in room 304.

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

Date	Warrant #	Warrant Description	Amount
3/10/2012	PR37	Payroll Expense	\$901,259.44
3/15/2012	PD1237	Payroll Deduction	\$493,075.08
3/17/2012	PR38	Payroll Expense	\$902,902.93
3/19/2012	P1238	Police Expense	\$23,425.48
3/19/2012	T1238	Town Expense	\$146,699.38
3/22/2012	PD1238	Payroll Deduction	\$491,974.61
3/26/2012	S1239	School Expense	\$367,440.97
3/26/2012	T1239	Town Expense	\$256,992.08

# I. <u>APPOINTMENTS</u>

# 6:30 p.m. Representative Christopher Markey

- Currently working on the traffic flow (Route 6, Faunce Corner Road).
- Curbing Complaints on Elm Street are being addressed and is currently an on–going project.

- Causeway and Bridge repairs- trying to obtain funding through the "Waterways and Bridges Trust Fund" working with the Fall River community on this.
- Working on getting more funding to be distributed to the Fire Districts.
- The Police Trust Fund will be enacted shortly, should be established the first week of June 2012.
- Town broke even on the sale of the Souza Lagasse Farm.
- 15 Legislatures came down to take our agricultural tour. Great way to get people to come to our community.
- Currently working on a Habitual Offender Law.

#### 6:45 p.m. Waterways By-Law

• The Select Board was presented with an amended request to the Waterways By-Law, which would give Harbormaster Steven Melo the ability to enforce fines on moorings.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairwoman Lara Stone and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud it was voted unanimously to co-sponsor the Comprehensive Waterways Overhaul Article.

7:00 p.m. Hearing-Application of Hawthorne Country Club LLC. for a Year Round
Restaurant/All Alcohol License and Entertainment License under the provisions
of M.G.L. Ch. 138 at 970 Tucker Road. Also a Common Victualler License.
Manager will be Madeline Rioux

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairwoman Lara Stone and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald it was voted unanimously to approve the Hawthorne Country Club LLC. for a Year Round Restaurant/All Alcohol License and Entertainment License under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 138 at 970 Tucker Road. Also a Common Victualler License.

7:10 p.m. Application for a One Day All Alcoholic Beverage License and a Common Victualler License for the Holy Ghost Society of Horseneck.

After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud it was voted unanimously to approve the Holy Ghost Society of Horseneck for a One Day All Alcoholic Beverage License and a Common Victualler License.

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#### 7:15 p.m. Application of Charles A. Silvia for Constable.

After a motion was made by Selectman Joseph Michaud and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald it was voted unanimously to approve the application of Charles A. Silvia for constable.

#### II. New Business

- A. Hazard Mitigation Grant-a grant in the amount of \$49,400.00 was given to the Town.
- B. Town Counsel RFQ- the Select Board will revisit this on April 9, 2012.
- C. Computer Services Update
  - -In December Mike O'Reilly went live with Map Geo, which allows the public to access maps on the Town Website.
  - -15 new copiers purchased for the Town Hall. The copiers have scanning and printing ability as well.
  - -Invoice Cloud is being utilized for paying excise tax, motor vehicle tax etc.
  - -Town Clerk is now able to accept Credit Card/Debit Card payments.
  - -The miscellaneous Receipts Module is now being used which allows the Accounting system to work more efficiently.
  - -New Beach Sticker Program
  - -Munis System now installed for quicker processing of invoices.
  - -Geo TMS is a tool used for issuing licenses and permits on-line.
  - -E-Bills is going live in July 2012, this will allow residents to opt out of paper bills and receive them electronically.
- D. <u>Opinion Survey</u>- posted on the Town's website so that residents are able to rate Town services.

# III. Old Business

- The Municipal Efficiency Committee met and is currently checking references from other communities that had municipal efficiency work done. The Committee is also taking a closer look at proposals that have been received. The next meeting will be held on 4/5/2012.
- Still looking to fill the vacant Town Accountant position.

# IV. Minutes-( March 12, 2012)

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairwoman Lara Stone and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 12, 2012 with an amendment changing the Motion to Adjourn from Chairman Michael Watson to Vice-Chairwoman Lara Stone.

### V. <u>Announcements:</u>

- Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District's Regional Economic Strategy Committee Road Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at New Bedford Economic Development Council, 1213 Purchase Street, New Bedford, MA.
- POTTER STREET- (Russells Mills Rd to Milton St) Water Main Replacement Commencing Monday, March 26, 2012 and continuing through July 2, 2012 from 7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Please seek alternate routes.
- Tuesday April 3, 2012 is Election Day.
- The School Department now has accounts on-line to replenish students' accounts, check balances and see what purchases are being made. This is a great tool and very useful.

After a motion was made by Vice-Chairwoman Lara Stone and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald it was voted unanimously to adjourn.

Attest:	
	David G. Cressman, Executive Administrator

Transcribed by: Stephaney L. Santiago