



Town of Dartmouth
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Select Board Members Present:

Michael Watson- Chair
Lara Stone –Vice Chair
Shawn McDonald

John George Jr.
Stanley Mickelson

The Chair called the public meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on **April 14, 2014** 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
3/29/2014	PR39	Payroll Expense	\$996,494.47
4/03/2014	PD1440	Payroll Deduction	\$434,462.62
4/07/2014	D1441	DPW Expense	\$120,696.12
4/07/2014	S1441	School Expense	\$1,324.31
4/07/2014	T1441	Town Expense	\$2,561,727.51

I. Appointments:

5:30 p.m. FY2015 Budget-

- The budget has been reviewed by the Finance Committee and the Select Board (\$77,476,906.00)
- Article 29- Revision to Town Counsel By-Law-This will allow counsel to obtain a three year contract to provide stability to the Town.
- Article 6- Charter Amendment- Department Head Administration- This is a revised version.

- 6:15 p.m. Recess
- 6:30 p.m. Meeting Reconvened
- 6:30 p.m. Joint Meeting with Finance Committee and School Committee
- FY2015 Budget- We have factored in the recommendations of Local Aid Resolution and budgeted conservatively. We have a couple of unknowns to factor in this year.
 - Athletic Fields Committee Update- The last meeting of this Committee was in November on 2012. The results were disappointing. We would either have to make some sacrifices and make this a priority Capital Project or consider a different source of funding.
 - Capital Projects Review- The committee has made its recommendations for the spring and tentative recommendations for the fall.
 - Article 29- Revision to Town Counsel By- Law
This will allow Counsel to obtain a three year contract to provide stability to the Town.
 - Article 6- Charter Amendment- Department Head Administration- This is a revised version will provide an accountable, responsible government.
- 7:45 p.m. Continued Hearing- Application of Loftberg Food Services Inc., d/b/a Beach Plum Café for a Year Round Restaurant/All Alcohol License and a Common Victualler License at 6 Bridge Street. Manager will be John Loftberg. This hearing started a few weeks ago and Counsel was asked to visit the property and do some research on the legal aspect of it. A decision was rendered by Counsel that all seemed to be in order and done by rite. The Board wants to support the revitalization of the Village and also wants to be certain they are safeguarding the residents as best as they can.
- *After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by John George Jr., it was unanimously voted to approve all licenses for The Beach Plum Café with the stipulations that they plant trees on the north side of property conforming to what is there now and limit the light shining on the abutters.*

II. New Business:

A. Transfer of Town of Dartmouth Property (Electric Pole Line), 1088 Tucker Road Tucker Road (Friends Academy) to NSTAR Electric.

- *After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by John George Jr., it was unanimously voted to approve the transfer.*

III. Old Business

B. Mac's Junkyard Update- The Health Department has been in contact with owner of the property, he is planning to commence work in late May or June when conditions are favorable. The Health Department will continue to monitor this.

IV. Minutes:

Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2014

- *After a motion was made by Selectman Shawn McDonald, and seconded by John George Jr., it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes.*

V. Announcements:

Potter Elementary School 5K will be held on Sunday May 4th at 10:00 a.m. at the Potter School. Register online at <http://potter5k.weebly.com> or e-mail at potterelementary5k@gmail.com

Dartmouth High School Percussion Ensemble is competing On April 10-12 in Dayton Ohio. They won first place in the Scholastic World Competition for their 2014 show "The Scandalous Life of Marie Antoinette". Congratulations to the students and parents for all their hard work.

Selectman Shawn McDonald attended the 25th Annual Convivio of Povoacao along with Mayor Carlos Avila. He brought the Town gifts from the attending Presidents from Povoacao.

Chairman Michael Watson is asking the CIP to take a good look at the issues on the Town Meeting Warrant.

Vice Chair Lara Stone is asking that a sub group for the Youth Athletic Field look at the bonding issue. We need a policy for private groups to access those spaces and specify the cost.

- *After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by Selectman Shawn McDonald, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.*

Attest:



David G. Cressman, Town Administrator

Transcribed by: Christine Amaral