



Town of Dartmouth  
400 Slocum Road  
Dartmouth, MA 02747

RECEIVED  
2015 APR 7 PM 2 37  
DARTMOUTH TOWN CLERK

### Select Board Members Present:

Michael P. Watson- Chair  
Lara H. Stone- Vice Chair  
Stanley M. Mickelson

Shawn McDonald  
John George Jr.

The Chair called the public meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on **March 9, 2015** in room 304.

	Warrant #	Warrant Description	Amount
02/07/2015	PD32	PATROLL EXPENSE	\$1,005,801.52
02/12/2015	PD1533	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	\$425,793.24
02/17/2015	D1534	DPW EXPENSE	\$226,871.52
02/17/2015	S1534	SCHOOL EXPENSE	\$423,427.35
02/17/2015	T1534	TOWN EXPENSE	\$867,950.70
02/28/2015	PR35	PAYROLL EXPENSE	\$1,013,087.40
03/05/2015	PD1536	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	\$432,939.30
03/09/2015	D1537	DPW EXPENSE	\$417,369.19
03/09/2015	P1537	POLICE EXPENSE	\$21,672.08
03/09/2015	S1537	SCHOOL EXPENSE	\$311,667.18
03/09/2015	T1537	TOWN EXPENSE	\$1,337,256.63

### I. Appointments:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Muni Award- The Town was presented this award for its strong efforts in cost containment in health care and was presented a check for \$5,000.

6:30 p.m. Joint Meeting with School Committee and Finance Committee

- **FY2016 Budget-** Both the Town and School will do some fine tuning on their budgets.
- **Capital Improvements Projects-** Some of the projects the School would like to achieve are;
  - Replace a section of the Middle School Roof
  - Technological Infrastructure
  - HVAC Upgrades
  - Cash Register Replacement
  - Maintenance Truck
  - Kitchen Equipment
  - Floor Replacement
  - Auditorium Refurbishment
- **Padanaram Bridge-** Dave Hickox is asking for this project to be funded at the Spring Town Meeting instead of the Fall Town Meeting when we usually do the General Fund appropriations, because we need to prove to MASS DOP that the funding is in place before we advertise in September.
- **Facilities Management-** Selectman Shawn McDonald would like for the School and Town Departments to have further discussions about utilizing the School Staff for some of our maintenance issues rather than contract out for savings to the budget.
- **Gidley School Status and Future-** A recommendation was made by David Tatelbaum from the Finance Committee to place an article on the Town Meeting recommending that the Gidley School get turned over to the Town in order to utilize and clean up the area.
- **FY2015 Budget Issues-Town & School**

The Town will seek funding for;

  - Snow and ice budget due to the severity of this winter
  - Legal budget due to a law suit and arbitration

The School will seek funding for;

  - Snow removal
  - Superintendent search

- **Sidewalk Snow Removal-** Everyone is in agreement that due to the severity of this winter the Town had major problems with areas of sidewalk not shoveled in the 1.5 mile School zone. We may need to change the by-law that is from roughly 1947, stating that all residents in this area must have their walkway shoveled within a few hours of a storm for the children that have to walk to School. All the sidewalks in Town should be cleaned from snow to promote safety and have easier access to the bus stops. Equipment must be purchased if the Town will bear the responsibility of cleaning the ones that do not clean their own. We will have further conversations regarding this matter.

*Recess*  
*Meeting Reconvened*

8:00 p.m. Application/Hearing of Amgad Mikhail d/b/a Gold Star Market LLC. 634 E-2 State Rd. for a Year Round Wine & Malt Beverages Package Goods Store License. Manager will be Amgad Mikhail

*Chair opened public hearing*  
*Chair closed public hearing*

*After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by Selectman Stanley Mickelson, it was unanimously voted to table until the next meeting.*

**II. New Business:**

- A. Resignation Letter from Jennifer Brindisi Conservation Commission- We will accept this resignation with regrets and send a letter thanking her for service.
- B. MassDOT Agreement-Emergency Pre-Emption Equipment State Road Route 6 Intersection Champion Terrace/Tucker Rd

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

- C. Easement at Sharp St and Kraseman St- Town Meeting authorized removal of easement on this property. Since there isn't any departments with a use for this property we will declare it surplus property

*After a motion was made by Selectman Stanley Mickelson, and seconded by Selectman John George Jr., it was unanimously voted to approve.*

It has been brought to the Boards attention that Police Chief Lee will be out of work for medical reasons until April.

*After a motion was made by Selectman Stanley Mickelson, and seconded by Vice Chair Lara Stone., it was unanimously voted to appoint Deputy Robert Szala to acting Police Chief and increase his salary to reflect.*

### III. Old Business

- A. Cecil Smith/Mary Robinson Landfill- There are no updates at this time.
- B. Police Station- We will be meeting on Wednesday to get an update from the Architect.
- C. Police Vehicles- Selectman John George Jr. will do some further research into this issue.

### IV. Minutes:

Meeting Minutes February 23, 2015

*After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by Selectman Stanley Mickelson, it was unanimously voted to approve.*

### V. Announcements

South Coast Bike Way Alliance will be holding its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Bike Summit

March 26, 2015 at Whites of Westport from 6:00-7:30

Register at [www.southcoastbikeway.com](http://www.southcoastbikeway.com)

*After a motion was made by Vice Chair Lara Stone, and seconded by  
Selectman John George Jr., it was unanimously voted to adjourn.*

Attest:



---

David G. Cressman, Town Administrator

Transcribed by: Christine Amaral