

Town of Dartmouth  
400 Slocum Road  
Dartmouth, MA 02747

Board of Selectmen

**Select Board Members Present:**

Lara H. Stone- Chair  
Shawn McDonald –Vice Chair  
William J. Trimble

Joseph Michaud  
Michael Watson

The Chair opened the public meeting at 5:45 p.m.

The Chair polled the Board for a roll call vote to convene into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 30A, Sec 21: Chair Stone, yes; Vice-Chair McDonald, yes; Selectman Trimble, yes; Selectman Watson, yes; Selectman Michaud, yes;

The Chair called the public meeting to order at 7:00p.m. on September 24, 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
8/18/2012	PR 08V1	Payroll Expense	\$263.77
8/25/2012	PR08	Payroll Expense	\$372,317.49
8/30/2012	PD 1309	Payroll Deduction	\$144,645.21
9/4/2012	D1310	DPW Expense	\$245,713.21
9/4/2012	P1310	Police Expense	\$12,630.63
9/4/2012	S1310	School Expense	\$271,172.54
9/4/2012	T1310	Town Expense	\$136,504.20
9/15/2012	PR11	Payroll Expense	\$919,423.07
9/20/2012	PD1312	Payroll Deduction	\$369,002.66
9/24/2012	D1313	DPW Expense	\$297,697.63
9/24/2012	S1313	School Expense	\$251,294.25
9/24/2012	T1313	Town Expense	\$125,609.77

**I. Appointments:**

7:00 p.m. Appointment with Austin Williams re: Class of 2014 Fundraiser Football Rally/ Bonfire

- Rally Date: Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at DYAA Fields
- Time: 6:00P.M. (Ticket info. TBA)
- Ed Pimental will provide lighting.
- Fire District 1 will be on site for fire safety.
- Kevin Santos has volunteered to have an ambulance on site from Stat Ambulance.
- Chief Timothy Lee has approved the event and will provide police details.
- Wood will be donated by Dartmouth Building Supply.

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to approve the Fundraiser Football Rally/Bonfire for November 21, 2012.*

**II. New Business:**

A. NStar Removal of Trees on Scenic Rds: Collins Corner Rd, Hixville Rd, N. Hixville Rd, Old Fall River Rd and Reed Rd.

- The Planning Board will be holding a Public Hearing requested by Nstar which will take place on Monday October 1, 2012 in the Town Hall Room 315 at 7:15P.M. This will be in regards to the removal of trees located on Collins Corner Rd, Hixville Rd., North Hixville Rd., Old Fall River Rd. and Reed Rd.
- An email will be sent to Mark Camara at the Standard Times to cover the Public Hearing.

B. Vacancies on the Dartmouth Pathways Committee

- A letter will be sent to thank Mr. and Mrs. Gregory.
- Post one vacancy and bring the Committee back to nine members.

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve the one vacancy on the Dartmouth Pathways Committee.*

C. New Process for Handling Workers' Compensation Bills

- Workers Compensation is now being handled by Future Comp. Future Comp. will now pay invoices and handle payroll for Workers Comp. This is more efficient and frees the staff to handle other Town matters.

D. Solid Waste Bags vs. Stickers

- DPW Director David Hickox performed a review of both options and would like to continue with the current process of using the Solid Waste Bags.

E. Agenda Packages

- The Select Board is going to convert to a Mac Tablet or another type of Tablet to be more efficient in regards to the meeting packages that are currently delivered to the Selectman's homes. This will reduce paper usage and save on delivery costs.

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve the conversion of paper packages to Mac Tablets going forward.*

F. UN Proclamation

- The Select Board may want to adopt a UN Proclamation.

*After a motion was made by selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted to approve the UN Proclamation (3-2 opposed J. Michaud, S. McDonald).*

G. Amendment to the Deputy Police Chief Employment Agreement

- Increase of 1.5 % this year and next year.

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was unanimously voted to approve the Amendment to the Deputy Police Chief Employment Agreement.*

H. Review of Fall Town Meeting Warrant (See Attached Document)

- Stipends for Elected Officials Response
- Planning Board Recommendations

I. Dartmouth Service Zone Plan

- State required document in regards to emergency response for the Town.

J. DTEA Memorandum of Agreement

- 1.5% increase for the next three fiscal years FY13, FY14, FY15
- Mandatory direct deposit
- Create a future Custodian or Cleaner vacancy

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve the DTEA Memorandum of Agreement with revised dates on the cover sheet.*

K. Police Awards Night

- October 18, 2012- Police Award Night
- An Award will be presented by Select Board
- Select Board members will nominate an Officer who has gone over and above for our community for the award, by sending the nomination to David.

L. Faunce Corner Median

- Communication from David Hickox stated that they are aware of a visibility issue at Faunce Corner Median, they did have difficulty prioritizing projects this year so they did not maintain it as well as it should have been, they will continue to maintain these difficult visibility areas.

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to send a letter of disappointment in regards to the way the State has maintained our roads including Route 6. The letter will be sent to the State, Governor, MassDot and our State Representative.*

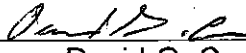
III. **Old Business:**

IV. **Minutes:** Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2012 and September 10, 2012

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 20, 2012 & September 10, 2012.*

V. **Announcements:** N/A

Attest:

  
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David G. Cressman, Town Administrator

Transcribed by: Stephaney Santiago

## **Dartmouth Select Board**

Warrant Article Recommendations for Town Meeting

September 25, 2012

Lara H. Stone, Chair

Shawn D. McDonald-Vice-Chair

Joseph Michaud

William Trimble

Michael Watson

### **ARTICLE 1: Allocation to Community Preservation Funds**

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 1- Allocation to Community Preservation Funds for Town Meeting.*

### **ARTICLE 2: Community Preservation Act-Town of Dartmouth-Russells Mills Library**

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 2 –Community Preservation Act-Town of Dartmouth-Russells Mills Library for Town Meeting.*

### **ARTICLE 3: Rescind Borrowing Authorization**

*After a motion was made by Vice- Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 3 –Rescind Borrowing Authorization for Town Meeting.*

### **ARTICLE 4: Personnel By-Law-New Title/Positions-Non-Union**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 4 – Personnel By-Law-New Title/Positions-Non-Union for Town Meeting.*

### **ARTICLE 5: Collective Bargaining Agreement for Management Union, DTEA and Non-Union COLA**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Joseph Michaud and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 5 – Collective Bargaining Agreement for Management Union, DTEA and Non-Union COLA for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 6: Acceptance of Capital Planning Committee Report and Funding of FY2013 Capital Plan**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 6 – Acceptance of Capital Planning Committee Report and Funding of FY2013 Capital Plan in the amount of \$560,000.00 for Road Maintenance and Improvement rather than the \$350,000.00 originally recommended by the Capital Planning Committee for Town Meeting. The Select Board felt it was important to increase the Town's spending on roads to \$1.7 million per year based on the combined total of these funds & Ch. 90 funds.*

**ARTICLE 7: Appropriation to the Stabilization Fund for Full Day Kindergarten**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 7 – Appropriation to the Stabilization Fund for Full Day Kindergarten for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 8: Appropriation to the Stabilization Fund**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 8 – Appropriation to the Stabilization Fund for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 9: Appropriation to a Post-Employment Health Insurance Liability Fund**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted (4-1opposed S. McDonald) to approve Article 9 – Appropriation to a Post-Employment Health Insurance Liability Fund in the amount of \$210,000.00 for Town Meeting. The majority of the Select Board supported this figure rather than the \$420,000.00 (appropriately ten percent of free cash) originally proposed based on last year's Town Meeting appropriation. The majority felt a contribution of \$210,000.00 would allow the Town to shift the funds to Road Improvements in Article 6. The dissenting opinion was the Town should contribute the same percentage (7 ½%) as it does for free cash.*

**ARTICLE 10: Supplements to the FY2013 Operating Budget**

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was unanimously voted to approve Article 10 – Supplements to the FY2013 Operating Budget for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 11: Leasing of the Apponagansett Park Concession and Ice Cream Stand**

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was unanimously voted to approve Article 11 – Leasing of the Apponagansett Park Concession and Ice Cream Stand for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 12: Sidewalk Easement Bridge Street**

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was unanimously voted to approve Article 12 – Sidewalk Easement Bridge Street for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 13: Special Petition to the Legislature to exempt Part-Time Elected Officials from Health and Life Insurance**

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 13- Special Petition to the Legislature to Exempt Part-Time Elected Officials from Health and Life Insurance for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 14: Salaries and Stipends of Elected Officials**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Joseph Michaud and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted (3-2 opposed S. McDonald, W. Trimble) to approve Article 14- Salaries and Stipends of Elected Officials for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 15: Special Petition to Legislature to Create a Cable Peg Access Enterprise Fund**

*After a motion was made by Vice- Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman Michael Watson, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 15- Special Petition to Legislature to Create a Cable Peg Access Enterprise Fund for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 16: Amend Dartmouth Zoning By-Law Section 37**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was voted (4-1, opposed S. McDonald) to vote from the floor on Article 16- Amend Dartmouth Zoning By-Law Section 37 for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 17: Amend Dartmouth Zoning By-Law Section 39.100, Paragraph B**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to not recommend Article 17- Amend Dartmouth Zoning By-Law Section 39.100, Paragraph B for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 18: Vacant Buildings By-Law**

*After a motion was made by Selectman William Trimble and seconded by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 18- Vacant Buildings-By-Law for Town Meeting.*



**ARTICLE 19:        Transfer of Gidley School Land**

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 19- Transfer of Gidley School Land for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 20:        Sale of Gidley School Land**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Joseph Michaud and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted (4-0- Abstention, M. Watson) to approve Article 20- Sale of Gidley School Land for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 21:        Leasing of Crapo Fields**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman Joseph Michaud, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 21- Leasing of Crapo Fields for Town Meeting*

**ARTICLE 22:        Leasing of Athletic Complex Comprising of Soccer Fields**

*After a motion was made by Selectman Michael Watson and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted unanimously to approve Article 22- Leasing of Athletic Complex Comprising of Soccer Fields for Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 23:        Regional School District Member Town Meeting Article and Motion  
for Renovation and Addition to the Greater New Bedford Regional  
School**

*After a motion was made by Vice-Chair Shawn McDonald and seconded by Selectman William Trimble, it was voted (4-0, Abstention M. Watson) to approve Article 23- Regional School District Member Town Meeting Article and Motion for Renovation and Addition to the Greater New Bedford Regional School for Town Meeting.*