



## DIGHTON WATER DISTRICT

192 Williams Street  
North Dighton, MA 02764

### DIGHTON WATER DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING MAY 22, 2014

The Annual District Meeting of the Dighton Water District was held in the Cafeteria at the Dighton Middle School on May 22, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. The Warrant for the meeting was posted on May 12, 2014 at the Dighton Water Treatment Plant, Town Offices and the Post Offices in Dighton.

Acting District Clerk, Tina Bragga, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and went as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

On a motion made and seconded, Attorney, Robert Fredericks was nominated Moderator for the evening.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to consider adjournment at nine o'clock.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the articles, and that reference to them be made by number and content.

#### ARTICLE 2

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to hear a report of the Board of Commissioners.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to accept the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners as printed and the oral report of the Board of Commissioners as read.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to hear a report from the Finance Committee.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to accept the Annual Report of the Finance Committee as printed and the oral report of the Finance Committee as read.

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to accept the Annual Reports of the District Clerk, District Treasurer, the District Superintendent, the Water Resources Board of Trustees and the Capital Outlay Committee, as printed, and made a part of the official record of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE 3

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15, 242.83 to compensate officers as described under Article 3.

#### ARTICLE 4

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash \$1,700 to Bond the Treasurer in accordance with Section 121, Chapter 41, of the General Laws.

#### ARTICLE 5

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to transfer \$100,000.00 from Free Cash, and to raise and appropriate \$363,792.92, for the redemption of District Bonds and Notes becoming due in the year ending June 30, 2015 and to pay the interest on District Debt.

#### ARTICLE 6

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to raise and appropriate, \$1,451,378.74 to defray District charges and assessments for the year ending June 30, 2015 as approved by the Commissioners of the District.

#### ARTICLE 7

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Commissioners to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the year ending June 30, 2015 in

accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and Acts in Amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

#### ARTICLE 8

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to raise and appropriate, \$9,000.00 to the District's Reserve Account for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2015, said monies to be expended from said Reserve Account by approval of the Dighton Water District Finance Committee.

#### ARTICLE 9

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash \$10,000.00 into the Districts Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, pursuant of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40, Section 5B.

#### ARTICLE 10

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 to transfer to the Districts Stabilization Fund, pursuant Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40, Section 5B.

#### ARTICLE 11

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to transfer \$15,000.00 from Free Cash available in the Treasury for testing, maintenance, repair, and/or upgrading of water meters.

#### ARTICLE 12

On a motion made and seconded the District voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$2000.00 for the District's Webmaster.

#### ARTICLE 13

On a motion made and seconded the District voted unanimously, to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 for an Independent Audit of the District's Financial Statements, with the request for proposals to be published in the Massachusetts Central Register.

#### ARTICLE 14

On a motion made and seconded the District voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for electrical upgrades to 527 Somerset Avenue.

## ARTICLE 15

On a motion made and seconded the District voted to transfer from Stabilization \$76,000.00 to purchase mixers for the Elm Street and Williams Street tanks.

## ARTICLE 16

On a motion made and seconded the District voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$6,400.00 for engineering services to observe, evaluate and provide a recommendation to the Board on treatment plant operations for chemical feed, backwash process, chemical contact time, clarifier and filter media conditions, and finished water pumping, review clearwell construction and potential modifications necessary to improve operations.

## ARTICLE 17

A motion was made to see if the District would transfer from Free Cash \$7,800.00 to pay a prior year's invoice for charges incurred by Mr. Nadeau in his attempt to purchase the Dighton Water District property located at 527 Somerset Avenue. The motion was not seconded, motion did not go to the floor.

## ARTICLE 18

On motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously upon a petition of Arthur and Bernard Miranda, owners of a major portion of the affected real estate, duly filed with the District Clerk as provided by Section 13 of Chapter 359 of the Acts of 1950, to accept equally as part of the District a parcel of land belonging to Arthur and Bernard Miranda, Bristol County Registry of Deeds book 18946 page 297, Dighton assessors map 23 lot 15-1, contiguous to Hunters Hill land currently within the boundaries of the Dighton Water District, Chapter 48 of the Acts of 2012, comprising of 19.19 acres, and to direct the District Clerk to file a record of said acceptance with the Town Clerk of the Town of Dighton and with the Secretary of the Commonwealth within ten days as required by the provisions of Chapter 359 of the Acts of 1950.

## ARTICLE 19

On a motion made and seconded, the District voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash available in the Treasury \$10,000.00 to reduce the tax rate.

## ARTICLE 20

On a motion made and seconded the District voted unanimously to proceed to recognize and reward outstanding contributions of time, talent, and/or resources to the mission of the Dighton Water District.

ARTICLE 21

On a motion made and seconded the District voted to adjourn the meeting without delay at 7:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Bragga  
District Clerk

Board of Water Commissioners

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