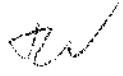


MINUTES OF TOWN OF BERKLEY SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF 08/18/2026

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE: Tabitha McCrohan-Chair, Jennifer Vincent-Clerk

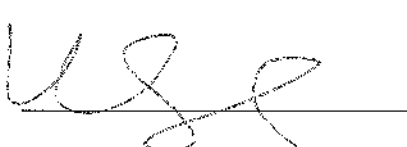
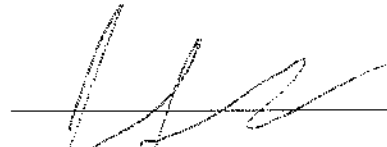
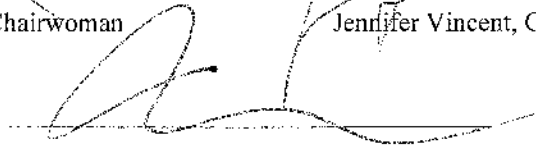
TOPIC		ACTION
Call To Order	Board of Selectmen - Called to Order at 7:10PM at the Student Commons, 2 nd Floor Conference Room, 100 Center St. Dighton, MA	
Old Business:	<u>Board to discuss a potential regionalization opportunity and intermunicipal agreement with the Dighton Board of Selectmen for a shared Animal Control Officer position; review of proposed terms and structure; possible vote(s) may be taken.</u> The Animal Control Intermunicipal Agreement discussion centered on clarifying how Dighton and Berkley will share animal control services and costs. The main change to the Intermunicipal Agreement occurred in Article Seven specifying that when the primary Animal Control Officer is unavailable (e.g., vacation or scheduled leave), Dighton will provide coverage for both towns using an assistant or on-call ACO. The board discussed posting and funding an assistant/on-call Animal Control Officer position, including required training and certification, to ensure reliable, shared coverage for both towns when the primary ACO is unavailable. The group agreed that equipment and major capital purchases for animal control should be handled through a simple cost-sharing model, where one town buys the item and invoices the other for its share. Recognizing both towns as rural, farming communities with frequent animal-related incidents, members agreed that a professionalized, shared animal control structure is necessary, and a motion was made to accept the IMA with the discussed edits incorporated. <u>Board to discuss a potential regionalization opportunity and intermunicipal agreement with the Dighton Board of Selectmen for a shared Board of Health Agent; review of proposed terms and structure; possible vote(s) may be taken.</u> The regionalization opportunity discussion addressed how Dighton and Berkley could leverage their existing participation in the Northern Bristol County Public Health Alliance to expand shared services beyond animal control, particularly for public health and restaurant/inspection coverage during limited off-hours. Because both towns are already part of a regional public health grant arrangement, members noted that adding some part-time, after-hours coverage through this framework would avoid the need for a separate formal IMA, providing the additional hours stay within the grant's limits. <u>Temporary Authorization of Warrants</u> The temporary authorization of warrants discussion concerned covering routine financial approvals while Ms. McCrohan is away from August 19 through August 31. To avoid delays in processing town business, Ms. McCrohan requested, and the board moved, to authorize the Ms. Vincent of the Board to sign warrants alone during this period, ensuring that bills and obligations can be paid without interruption until she returns.	Motion to approve and authorize the Chair to sign T McCrohan motioned <i>J Vincent second</i> Roll Call Vote: McCrohan – Aye Vincent - Aye Motion approved <i>Discussion Only:</i> Motion to authorize: T McCrohan motioned <i>J Vincent second</i> Roll Call Vote: McCrohan – Aye Vincent - Aye Motion approved 
Adjournment:	Meeting adjourned : 7:44 PM	Motion to adjourn: T McCrohan motioned <i>J Vincent second</i>

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Roll Call Vote:
McCrohan – Aye
Vincent – Aye
Motion approved

Next Scheduled Meeting is Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026 at 10:30 AM.


Tabitha McCrohan, Chairwoman
Jennifer Vincent, Clerk
Matthew Chabot, Town Administrator