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Select Board Meeting
Monday – 05/09/2010 – Town Office Meeting Room
7:00 P.M.

Minutes

The meeting was opened by the Chair at 7:00 pm. Board members present were Paul MacDonald, Peter Foote, Joann C. Austin, Neil Farrington, and Irene L. Belanger. Others present were Travis Pitre, Aaron Taylor, Scott Pierz, Tim Axelson, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Travis Pitre.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of the 04/25/2011 Select Board meeting as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to accept Payroll Warrant #49 for $22,144.81, Payroll Warrant #50 for $126.34 and Payables Warrant #51 for $382,637.37 as presented.

Unfinished Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Recycling Coordinator:**

  Recycling Report - Neil Farrington: Recycling Coordinator Neil Farrington made reference to an initiative involving composting buckets to collect food waste for deposit at the transfer station. There was discussion about providing buckets to residents who would participate in the food-waste recycling initiative. Cost was a factor. He went on to say that it would be good to provide a place for residents to rinse out the buckets. There was not any action taken on whether or not to provide buckets to residents.

  Skid Steer/Bob Cat: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-1(Austin) to approve of spending up to $40,800 plus interest to lease-purchase a skid-steer for the transfer station. Selectperson Paul MacDonald said the machine would mainly be used to feed recyclable materials into balers. He went on to say that by minimizing the handling of recyclables, the skid-steer should save the town money. There was a reference made to recently purchasing a fork- lift. The Town Manager said that if the fork-lift proves

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not to be needed, it could be sold. Recycling Coordinator Neil Farrington endorsed the purchase of the skid-steer.

- **Foreclosures – Update:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize the Town Manager to offer five foreclosed upon properties for sale by bid, after the Manager looks into possible title issues with two of the properties.

- **Junk Yard License – Coston:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to direct the Town Manager to have the C.E.O. deliver the signed document relating to a Junk Yard License, with conditions, to Mr. Coston on the Dirigo Road. The C.E.O. is to take a person with him as a witness.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Appointments – Signing Only**: (Not any new appointments): The Board signed appointment papers for those who were appointment to committees at a past meeting.
- **Abatements And Supplemental Tax Warrant:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to approve of and sign abatements as presented. The Board will convene a meeting to process a supplemental tax warrant as Assessors immediately after this meeting.
- **Equipment & Materials Bids – Awards:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the low bidders in the respective categories subject to the Town Manager's discretion.
- Fee Structure – Planning Board Recommendations
- **Registrar & Town Clerk Hours for June Election:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to set the Registrar's and Town Clerk's hours as presented for the week prior to the election.
- **Warrants (RSU#18 and Municipal) for June 7, 201 Ballot Ordinance Adoption Obligations:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the respective warrants for the June 7, 2011 referendum election.

Manager's Report:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Visioning Meeting Follow-Up – Summary Sheet:** the Board will review the list of priority projects agreed upon at the most recent visioning session as time permits.

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- **Committees: Implementation Committee – Meeting Thursday, May12, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting Room:** The respective time, date, and location of the IC meeting was noted.
- **Open Transfer Station Day - Saturday, June 11, 2011 – Same Restrictions as Last Year - Will Note in the Town Line and in Handouts at the Transfer Station and Town Office:** The particulars regarding the Open Transfer Station Day were announced for public information.
- **Police Vehicle:** The Board discussed briefly the needs for the town and how a certain type of vehicle would best fit the town's needs. The Town Manager is to continue negotiations with auto dealers for the best price and match of specifications.
- **Guaranteed Annual Tonnages – PERC:** The Town Manager noted that he would file the appropriate papers with the Municipal Review Committee to reduce the guaranteed annual tonnage from 1800 tons to 1700 tons annually.
- **Eagle Scout Project – Travis Pitre, Kiosk at the Causeway:** As an Eagle Scout project, Travis Pitre proposed to relocate and replace the informational kiosk at the boat landing at the head of China Lake. Travis plans to put the new kiosk on the north side of the causeway, closer to the boat ramp than the present one. Architect Rick Hayden designed the proposed new kiosk. The base upon which the install the kiosk will either be gravel or a concrete slab. Construction materials will be pressure-treated lumber and cedar shingles. Mr. Pitre's plan includes a bench for boat inspectors and public use. The kiosk will provide a map of China Lake, with shoals and other hazards marked; information on invasive plants; and space for notices of community events. There will be a solar powered light to assist reading the information on the kiosk after dark. Travis said he hopes to have the project done by early July. The Select Board unanimously commended Mr. Pitre's efforts. Selectperson Joann Austin suggested moving the old kiosk to the South China Village boat landing. Selectperson Peter Foote offered town services to help with the move.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann C Austin

Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board