

# TOWN OF CHINA

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**Special Select Board Budget Meeting (Other)**  
**Monday – 01/23/2012 – 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, Steven Hughes, and Irene L. Belanger. Others present were Ron Breton, Elvi Stanziale, Renee Robilliard, Beth Preston, Janet Preston, Jonathan Vogel, Kathy Glen-Lewin, Cheryl Baker, Louisa Barnhart, Gerry Boyle, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by

There were not any minutes to approve or any warrants to approve at this special budget meeting.

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Teen Center Proposal – Beth Preston:** The Board listened again to a proposal by Beth Preston regarding a “ten center” first proposed in June of 2011. Beth proposes using the old town hall basement, a town owned building, for the teen center. Questions were raised about liability, the propriety of charging a small membership fee to use the property, who would oversee the teens, background checks on the overseers, separate insurance coverage if an independent organization, and other issues about the ages of the teens who would potentially visit the center. The Select Board again asked Beth Preston to talk with the recreation committee members to see if she could coordinate this initiative within the budget committee’s priorities.
- **2012-2013 Municipal Budget – Warrant Articles:** The Board put the warrant for the March 24, 2012 annual town business meeting in near final form, one outstanding item was the article containing the annual requests from social service agencies. The Board appointed a committee to review the social service agency requests and that committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, January 30, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the town office meeting room. The SB scheduled a meeting on the same evening at 7:00 p.m. to finish the warrant and move it to the Budget Committee.

The major topics discussed at this January 23 meeting were requests from the Planning Board, emergency services requests, China Community Days Committee, and a proposal for a new town librarian position recommended by the China Library Services Committee.

A copy of the Warrant Articles with resulting and respective votes is attached to these minutes.

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On a motion by Selectperson Paul MacDonald and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joann C. Austin".

Joann C. Austin, Secretary  
China Select Board