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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 10/22/2012 – 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 Ronald Breton, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by the Town Manager.

On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of the 10/08/2012 Select Board meeting as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept Payroll Warrant #24 for \$21,812.12 and Payables Warrant #25 for \$66,541.21 as presented.

Unfinished Business:

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

Recycling Report -

Update on Commodities Market (Recycling Items) and Other Items: Select Board member and Recycling Coordinator Paul MacDonald provided information about current recycling commodity market pricing and information about the inventory of recyclable currently at the transfer station. He noted that in general the prices for recyclables have stabilized and in particular some plastic recyclables pricing has increased. Paul also noted that the town is attempting to send single product loads to the recyclables market to maximize the return to the town. He went on to note that we may need additional areas for storage of recyclables to be able to aggregate the amounts of a single product needed to complete a full load.

Also at this time the Chair asked the opinions of Board members on whether or not they felt additional hours are needed at the transfer station and or for public works tasks. It was a Board consensus that more hours are needed. The Chair suggested that a possible position might be added and that added position could fulfill both the transfer station and public works needs. The Chair asked the Town Manager to provide the Board with costs associated with adding a full time equivalent employee position to the town's staff. This topic will be discussed at the next SB meeting when calculated costs are available for review.

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- **Lake Access Feasibility Committee Update:** Steven Hughes, Irene L. Belanger and the Town Manager provided the Board with an update. They noted that more due diligence was being done and that there had been significant discoveries made when assessing the condition of the buildings and grounds of The Cabins property. More inspections are planned and additional updates will be made at SB meetings.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **No Parking Ordinance Amendment – Consideration of Area to be Established Along Route #3 and Route #32 North in a Development Area (The MDOT Has Required That a No-Parking Ordinance be Established Along Route 3 And Route 32 (North) in the Area of Development Relating to Fieldstone) Amended Traffic Movement Permit:** the Town manager noted that the no-parking ordinance will be acted upon at the next meeting. He said the reason for the additional time needed for action is that a meeting notice at which the topic will be acted upon needs to be published and posted before action is taken.
- **GA Ordinance Amendments to Appendixes:** The Town Manager said that the SB will be scheduled to act on the amendments to the appendixes at their next meeting. This too needs to have a public notice before acted upon.

Manager's Communications (Non-Action Items):

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Committees: Implementation Committee – TBD, the Thurston Park II TBD, China Historical Society Committee TBD, Transfer Station Committee Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Town Office Meeting Room; and China Lake Access Feasibility Committee, Friday October 26, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting Room:** The respective dates, times, and places of the meetings were announced.
- **Visioning Goals Reviewed – Accomplishments/Items Remaining - Schedule a Date/Time:** The Town Manager asked the Board to review his summary of the goals and accomplishments of the past year. He went on to ask the Board to provide him with any goals they feel are appropriate to discuss at a visioning session that may be held after the November election.
- **Plowing Bids 2012-2014 – Contract Signing:** The Board signed the plowing contract for winter road maintenance with Dirt Diggers, Inc. of Winterport. The Town Manager noted that the company will begin bringing their equipment to China before the next meeting.
- **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, Saturday, October 20, 2012 – Results:** The Town Manager announced the results of the collection day, noting that this event was the busiest of all HHW collection days held and the cost to the Town of China would be about \$1,292.50. It was noted that, in addition to HHW, drugs and electronics were received at the site in Winslow without any cost to participants.

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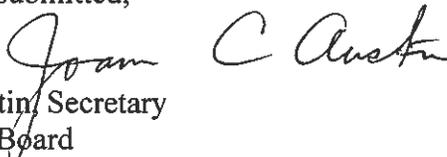
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On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board

Assessors' Meeting
10/08/2012

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to open the Assessors' meeting at 8:57 p.m. Assessors present were Peter Foote, Steven Hughes, Joann C. Austin, Irene L. Belanger, and Paul MacDonald. Others present were Ronal Breton, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager.

Agenda

- I. Supplemental Tax Assessment: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the Supplemental Tax Assessment as present. Copies will be on file in the town office.
- II. Abatement(s): On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the abatements as presented. Copies will be on file at the town office.

Adjourn: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary