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Transfer Station Planning Workshop – Monday, March 26, 2012, 6:00 P.M. Meeting – A Planning/Workshop Meeting in Public, (not a Public Meeting/Hearing)

Agenda:

Goal Setting

Call for Interested Parties

Meetings – How Often and So Forth

Susan Cottle facilitated a meeting with the Select Board relating to the setting of long term goals for the transfer station. Concerns were listed and ideal configurations were discussed. The Select Board and Susan agreed to set Monday, April 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. for a follow-up meeting to continue with the ultimate setting of goals and pointing to steps toward implementing processes to reach the noted goals.

Select Board Meeting

Monday – 03/26/2012 – 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 Neil Farrington, Elwin Higgins, Mary Kay Adams, Kevin Rhoades, Susan Cottle, Ronald Breton, Bill Seekins, Dale Worcester, Tim Basham, Jason Tyler, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Steven Hughes.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of the 03/12/2012 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 #47 for \$18,018.83, and Payables Warrant #48 for \$350,653.83 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): Recycling Coordinator and Select

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Board member Paul MacDonald provided the Select Board with an update on the recycling market for commodities and informed them of the inventory of recyclables the town has ready to be sold on the commodities market. Paul went on to note that the recycling market has remained relatively steady and that some prices for commodities have risen.

Other: The Board discussed the most recent “break-in” at the transfer station. On a motion by Selectperson Steven Hughes and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to spend an amount up to \$5200 for security equipment at the transfer station.

- **Transfer Station Planning Committee – Goals/Objectives and Call for Interested People to Serve on a Transfer Station Committee:** Susan Cottle facilitated discussion with the Select Board relating to the future operations of the transfer station and the setting of long term goals for the sustainability of efficient and effective operations of the transfer station. A follow-up session was scheduled for Monday, April 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the town office.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **June Ballot Items – Shore Land Septic System Compliance Ordinance and Home Occupations Ordinance:** Planning Board Chairperson Ron Breton discussed the position of the Planning Board with regard to both of the ordinances. He noted that the Planning Board has recommended that the Select Board move the current draft of the Home Occupation Ordinance to the June ballot. He went on to say that the Planning Board did not vote to recommend moving the SSSCO to the June ballot. There was much interchange of discussion between the Select Board and the Chair of the Planning Board, Ron Breton.
- **Quit Claim Deed(s):** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and approve of the quit claim deed as presented. A copy of the paper work will be on file at the town office.
- **Annual Town Business Meeting Results:** the Town Manager noted that the results of the voting at the Annual Town Business Meeting are available at the town office. The minutes of the Annual Town Business Meeting will be available in the near future. The board agreed by consensus that the meeting was productive and proceeded professionally and respectfully.
- **Appointments:**
Election Clerks – Certificates of Appointments for Two Years: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint the members as presented to the respective positions. A copy of the appointments will be on file at the town office.
- **Board of Assessment Review:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint Dale Peabody to the Board of Assessment Review to replace Steven Hughes who resigned earlier to take the position of Select Board member.

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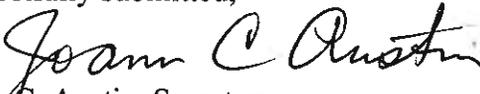
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Manager's Report: - Non Action Items:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Thurston Park – Discussion on Road Improvements, Bridge Repair, and Forestry Items:** Mr. William Seekins, Chair of the TPII Committee spoke to the Select Board about proposed fund raising initiatives relating to Thurston Park. He pointed out the immediate needs of the Committee, e.g. bridge and road repairs. Tim Basham and Jason Tyler attended the meeting to provide the Select Board with information relating to a possible timber harvest in the Park. Mr. Seekins noted that the fund raising activities will be integral to the progress of the TPII committee's long term plan for the Park.
- **Committees: Implementation Committee – Wednesday, March 28, 2012 Regular Meeting, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting Room, and the Thurston Park II, TBD, and China Historical Society Committee – One Room School House, Open House on Saturday, March 31, 2012 from 10:00 A.M to 2:00 P.M.:** The meeting dates, times, and places of the respective Committees were announced.
- **Visioning Goals Reviewed – Accomplishments and Items Remaining:** The Board agreed to discuss the accomplishments and remaining items at a later meeting.
- **Earth Day Clean-Up – April 28, 2012, Saturday from 8:00 A.M to Noon:** It was noted that the 16th Annual Earth Day clean-up will take place in China on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 8:00 A.M. to noon.
- **Drug Take-Back Day – April 28, 2012, Saturday from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.:** It was noted that China will host a drug take-back day at the transfer station on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **Land for Maine's Future Grant Application – May 15, 2012 Final Hearing Review:** The Town Manager informed the Select Board about the LMF grant application, noting that a second, final hearing on the grant will be held May 15, 2012. The town needs to provide the LMF Board with a plan for the use of the property and a map of what the property would look like without most of the cabins. Further updates will be forthcoming as the process unfolds.
- **Docks at the Head of Lake:** The town Manager reported that the docks are currently being refurbished and should be in the lake within two or three weeks. The cost of refurbishing the docks annually was a concern of the Board.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board