

# TOWN OF CHINA

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## Select Board Meeting

Monday – 06/16/2014 – 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, Amber McAllister, and Irene L. Belanger. Others present were David Glusker, 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 Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of the 05/19/2014 and 06/02/2014 Select Board meetings as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Amber McAllister, the Board voted 5-0 to accept Payroll Warrant #62 for \$220,602.25 and Payables Warrant #63 for \$407,510.97 as presented.

## Unfinished Business:

- **Public Comment:** At this time China resident David Glusker spoke to the SB about the potential for establishing a “dog park” in China. The intent was to propose a place where residents and visitors could safely walk dogs off-leash. Mr. Glusker said that he uses a dog park in Florida near his winter home. He went on to note that the closest dog parks near China are in Waterville and Augusta. David also said the parks provide an opportunity for socialization for dogs and people.

Mr. Glusker said that dog park essentials would include fencing, preferably six feet high for Maine winters; a double gate so that dogs cannot escape when someone enters or leaves; and plastic bags and trash cans for waste disposal. He went on to note that it would be good to have a water supply, benches, shade trees and a second gate for maintenance purposes. Mr. Glusker said he would be happy to help with the implementation of the idea if the Board thought it worthy of pursuit. The SB noted that they would pass along the idea to the Recreation Committee and the Economic and Community Development Committee for consideration.

- **Recycling Coordinator:**

### Recycling Report -

#### **Update on Commodities Market (Recycling Items) and Other Items**

**(Shredding on Site):** Select Board member and Recycling Coordinator Paul MacDonald provided information about current recycling commodity market pricing and information about

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the inventory of recyclable currently at the transfer station. Paul noted how many bales and gaylords of the various recyclables are stored and ready for shipment for sale on the commodities market. Paul noted how clean the recycling area is consistently over time. He went on to say that he has tried to contact Shredding-On-Site and has not been successful. He will continue to try to contact them.

- **RSU#18, KVCOG, Economic & Community Development Updates – Selectperson Belanger:** Selectperson Irene L. Belanger updated the Board on the activities relating to KVCOG, Thurston Park, Economic and Community Development and a recent MDOT seminar in Skowhegan.

Irene noted that she is arranging a meeting of business owners in China. She also said that there was a good selection/presentation of new plow trucks at the MDOT gathering in Skowhegan.

## New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Quit Claim Deed:** On a motion by Selectperson Amber McAllister and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign a quit-claim deed as presented for the property on the Hanson Road that was sold in a foreclosure process.
- **Municipal Appointments:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the municipal appointments as presented and read by the Select Board Chairperson, Peter Foote. Copies of the appointment papers will be kept on file at the town office.
- **Application for B.Y.O.B. Permit – The Cabins at China Lake:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Amber McAllister, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign a BYOB permit application for The Cabins at China Lake for a July 9, 2014 event scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to midnight.
- **Red Light Application:** On a motion by Selectperson Amber McAllister, and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the red light application as presented, a copy to be kept on file at the town office.

## Manager's Communications (Non-Action Items):

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Committees – Meetings and Updates:** Thurston Park II TBD 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month, Location, Town Office Meeting Room, China Historical Society Committee TBD, China Library Feasibility Committee, Fourth Wednesday of the Month in 2014, March 26, 6:30 P.M. in the town office meeting room, Economic and Community Development Committee, First and Third Thursday of the Month, Time 6:30 P.M., Location China Town Office Meeting Room. The respective dates, times, and places of the meetings were announced.

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- **Committees – Announcement of Invitation to Interested Parties:** The Town Manager again commented about the desire to appeal to residents to fill committee positions if interested.
- **Update on Police Search – Interview Period:** The Town Manager noted the search resulted in several eligible candidates and that interviews have been set. An additional report will be made at the next SB meeting.

On a motion by Selectperson Amber McAllister and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joann C. Austin".

Joann C. Austin, Secretary  
China Select Board