

# TOWN OF CHINA



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## Select Board Meeting

Monday – 07/14/2014 – 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 Bill Najpauer, Garrett Corbin, Thomas Stephenson, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Bill Najpauer.

On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the minutes of the 06/16/2014 Select Board meeting as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 5-0 to accept Payroll Warrant #1 for \$4,158.31, payroll Warrant #2 for \$25,156.73, Payables Warrant #3 for \$425,574.68 and Payables Warrant #67 for \$84.53 as presented. Payables Warrant #67 was presented as a correction to a Payables Warrant at the last SB meeting.

## 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,

**Shredding-On-Site:** 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 there were many bales of cardboard and many gaylords of mixed paper ready for selling on the commodities market. He went on to note that the metal pile is getting quite large and that we might need to prepare to send a load to Grimmels for processing and sale. Paul suggested that the town attempt to process (chip and sell) the brush pile at as little cost as possible.

Selectperson MacDonald stressed again how neat and clean the transfer station is presented the many times he visits.

Paul summarized the content of a meeting he recently attended in Waterville relating to the post 2018 operation of the P.E.R.C. facility in Orrington for the disposal of municipal solid waste. The meeting was sponsored by Energy East, the managing partner in the P.E.R.C. endeavor.

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- **RSU#18, KVCOG, and Economic & Community Development Updates – Selectperson Belanger:** Selectperson Irene L. Belanger volunteers and represents the town on all these groups and provided the Board and audience with summary information relating to the respective entities. Irene has been planning a time for a coffee and desert in conjunction with the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce for China businesses.

## **New Business:**

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **CEO – Bill Najpauer:** China's new CEO was introduced to the Select Board formally this evening. Bill provided the Board with an update on what he is currently focusing on and what he expects to undertake over time.
- **LRAP – Local Road Assistance Program:** On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the Maine Department of Transportation Local Road Assistance Program Certification Form for 2014-2015 (FY 2015).
- **November Election – Time Line:** The Town Manager noted the important points in the time line leading up to the November 2014 election, including what positions are up for election and when nomination papers are available. He handed out an information sheet noting the information.

## **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.
- **Committees – Announcement of Invitation to Interested Parties:** The Town Manager repeated an invitation for residents interested in serving on China's various committee call the town office.
- **Update on Police Search:** It was noted that the police search is going smoothly, that all candidates have been interviewed and that a recommendation will be forthcoming shortly.
- **Tax Commitment – Update:** The Town Manager said that the tax commitment for 2014-2015 would likely take place at one of the next two SB meetings. More of an update on the tax commitment will be provided in the next two weeks.

In other business:

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The Town Manager noted that paving of the town's roads will begin soon. One mile of the Dirigo Road will be reclaimed before paving. The work should start in early August.

On a motion by Selectperson Amber McAllister and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joann C. Austin". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Joann C. Austin, Secretary  
China Select Board