

TOWN OF CHINA

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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 10/25/2010 – 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, Neil Farrington, and Irene L. Belanger. Others present were Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Selectperson Joann C. Austin.

On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of the 10/11/2010 Select Board meeting as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Peter Foote and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to accept Warrant #18 for \$17,426.40 and Warrant #19 for \$449,084.87 as presented.

Manager's Report:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Implementation Committee – TBA/Library Services /Thurston Park Committee/Open Space Committee /Facilities & Capital Improvement Committee/Other Committees Meetings TBD:** The meetings and respective times and places were announced.
- **Sidewalks – South China Village Area:** It was again noted that the town was awarded additional funding in the respective grant program for the addition of a foot bridge in the South China Village area.
- **Weeks Mills Road Reconstruction – MDOT:** It was again noted that the major portion of the reconstruction of the Weeks Mills Road will probably be done in the spring.
- **November Election – Date, Time, Place, Poll Hours, Absentee Ballots:** It was noted that the election will be held in the multi-purpose room at the China Middle School on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 and the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **CMP Contractors in the China Area – New Electric Smart Meters to be Installed – Eric Wilkins/CMP Representative:** The Town Manager noted that CMP representative Eric Wilkins indicated that residents of China will be notified in advance of the change-out in the Smart Meters Program. There was discussion about the effect of shutting power off at residences when they may not be home. Additional information will be sent to the town regarding the Program.
- **Open House – One Room School House, (Weeks Mills Elementary School):** The SB will attempt to schedule an “open house” in the near future.

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Unfinished Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Recycling Coordinator:**
 - **User/Resident Survey:** Members of the SB wanted the survey to be sent out as soon as possible.
 - **Transfer Station Stickers:** The town is focusing attention to the need for residents to display a current sticker when using the transfer station. Inserts in the Town Line will include information about the need to renew stickers. The personnel at the town office will also engage customers and inform them of the need to renew their stickers.
- **Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event – Saturday, October 16, 2010, Summary:** The Town Manager provided the SB with a summary of the numbers of residents participating in the event and the number of items disposed of on that day. He also noted the cost would be approximately \$700.00 to China.
- **Old Rescue Vehicle – Disposition:** On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 3-0-1 (Austin) to sell the Old Rescue Vehicle to the South China Volunteer Fire Department for \$500.00, with the SCVFD to be responsible for repairs and for conversion to a vehicle to be used at fire scenes. The Board was sensitive to the condition of the vehicle and therefore wanted to convey that major repairs were to be the responsibility of the SCVFD. Voters at a March Town Business Meeting authorized the Select Board to dispose of the vehicle in whatever way they thought would be in the best interest of the town.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Warrant and Notice of Election Calling – RSU #18 Referendum (Signing):** On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 table this item to a special meeting with the Superintendent of RSU#18 on Wednesday morning.
- **Irene L. Belanger – Business Development/KVCOG :** The Chairperson, Irene L. Belanger, and because of time constraints, decided to make a presentation on business development at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- **Abatement(s):** On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to accept and sign abatements as presented. Copies of the abatements are on file at the town office.
- **Thurston Park – Selectperson Joann Austin:** On a motion by Selectperson Peter Foote and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 4-0 grant the Thurston Park Committee a 30-day extension of the November 1, 2010 deadline to submit a report of their findings and recommendations for the Park.
- **Code Enforcement - Administrative Consent Agreement – Arnold Road and Other Enforcement Items:** On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Peter Foote, the Board voted 4-0 to accept and sign the Administrative Consent Agreement between the Town of China and Mr. Donald Sirois. A copy of the Agreement is on file at the town office. The town will record the Agreement with the Kennebec Registry of Deeds.

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On a motion by Selectperson Paul MacDonald and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 4-0 to adjourn at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board