

TOWN OF CHINA

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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 08/30/2010 – Town Office Meeting Room

6:30 P.M.

Minutes

The meeting was opened by the Chair at 6:37 pm. Board members present were Paul MacDonald, Peter Foote, Neil Farrington, and Irene L. Belanger. Others present were as noted on the attendance sheet attached to these minutes. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Paul MacDonald

On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Peter Foote, the Board voted 4-0 to go into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. pursuant to MRSA 1 Section 405 (6) (E) – Consultations Between A Body Or Agency And Its Attorney Concerning The Legal Duties Of The Body Or Agency. On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Peter Foote, the Board voted 4-0 to come out of Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. and resume the regular meeting.

On a motion by Selectperson Paul MacDonald and a second by Selectperson Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of the 05/24/2010 Select Board meeting as presented

On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to accept Warrant #10 for \$22,773.56 and Warrant #11 for \$64,683.53 as presented.

Manager's Report:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **I-95 Weight Limit Tracking:** It was noted that the town is continuing to communicate with the MMA and the US Congressional delegation on this matter.
- **Implementation Committee – TBA/Library Services /Thurston Park Committee/Open Space Committee /Facilities & Capital Improvement Committee/Other Committees Meetings TBD:** It was noted that the only meeting scheduled is the Library Services Committee meeting for Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the town office meeting room.
- **Sidewalks – South China Village Area:** It was noted that the MDOT is considering additional funding for a “walking bridge” on Village Street where the road crosses one of the tributaries of China Lake. Bids for the project came in on the high side and resulting in the need to request additional funding. We should hear from the MDOT on the funding request in the near future.
- **Weeks Mills Road Reconstruction – MDOT:** It was noted that part of the Weeks Mills Road has been shimmed and resurfaced, but the mile or so of the westerly portion scheduled to be reconstructed might be postponed to the spring of 2011 as the MDOT is still researching right-of-way limits to find out whether or not there is a need to buy land for the project.
- **China Village Rodent Issue:** The Town Manager said that he has asked Border Trust for additional information on the disposition of the former China Village General Store building and grounds. More information will be forthcoming as it is received.

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- **KVCOG Revolving Loan Fund:** The Town Manager noted that KVCOG has a revolving loan fund for businesses, especially start-ups and expansions.
- **November Election – Dates to Remember - Nomination Papers – November Election:** Signed nominations papers are due at the town office by 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 18, 2010.
- **Thurston Park Committee Survey Results:** The Town Manager said that summaries of the Thurston Park survey are now available at the town office and the Thurston Park Committee plans to meet in the near future.

Unfinished Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **WMVFD Building Addition – George Oliver, Tom Stephenson, or David Herard:** The Select Board did not take any action on this item after coming out of Executive Session.
- **Recycling Coordinator:** There was discussion about the current market for the various recycling materials.
- **Transfer Station Stickers – Enforcement Policy:** Transfer Station Manager, Elwin Higgins joined the Select Board for a discussion of checking transfer station stickers. Selectperson Peter Foote raised the topic saying that he would like to attempt new ways of enforcement of the rule to have residents present stickers upon arrival at the transfer station.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Possible November 2010 Ballot Questions –**
 - **P.A.C.E. – Property Assessed Clean Energy Program – Ordinance:** The Select Board has already agreed to put on the November ballot an Ordinance that would make China homeowners eligible for loans under the State's Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program.
 - **Amendment to the China Land Development Ordinance, Section 6, Administration, Subsection B, Permits, Roman Numeral IV: Procedure for Administering Permits:** China's C.E.O. Scott Pierz presented a Planning Board request to amend the timetable for planners to act on commercial conditional use applications. Mr. Pierz noted that China's Ordinance gives the Planning Board 35 days to approve or deny an application after the Board deems the application complete. He went on to say that most applications are approved after reviewed at two meetings and those applications that need a third meeting do not meet the Ordinance requirement. The final wording is to be worked out with the town's attorney. Scott also proposed a clarification in the wording of the Ordinance section that says landowners not in compliance with other town or state laws or regulations cannot get a new town permit. Selectpersons Peter Foote and Paul MacDonald expressed sentiment about making the ban stronger.
 - **WMVFD and Municipal Fire Department Status:** The Select Board did not take any action on this item after coming out of Executive Session earlier in the meeting. It is expected that there might be a Question on the Ballot relating to capital building issues.
- **Bradley Island Photos:** The Board looked at photos of the island area and noted the trash on the grounds and discussed possible signage to be placed on the island relating to user rules.

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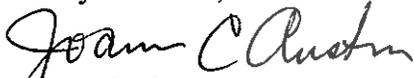
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- **Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event – Saturday, October 16, 2010:** It was noted that the HHW day will be held in Waterville on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. More information on the schedule and items to be accepted will be available at the town office and transfer station.
- **National Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Prescription Drug Take Back Day – Saturday, September 25, 2010:** The National Drug Enforcement Agency's Prescription Take Back Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 10:00 a. m. The China Transfer Station will accept unused prescription drugs under the supervision of the KSO.
- **Abatement and Supplemental Tax Assessment:** On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to accept and sign the abatements and supplemental tax warrants as presented. Copies of the items are on file at the town office.
- **Municipal Appointments – Alternate Health Nurse:** On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Jennifer Morris as Alternate Health Nurse in the Town of China.

In other business resident Al Althenn reminded the Select Board that they voted in May to send the IF&W a letter concerning permits for sucker fish traps in China Lake tributaries. Chairperson Irene Belanger accepted responsibility for the delay and said that she and the Town Manager would send out a letter by the end of the week.

On a motion by Selectperson Neil Farrington and a second by Selectperson Peter Foote, the Board voted 4-0 to adjourn at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board

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Attendance Sheet - 08/30/2010

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