

TOWN OF CHINA

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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 05/07/2012 – 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 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 04/23/2012 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 Warrant #53 for \$17,863.31 and Warrant #54 for \$374,392.92 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):

Other:

- **Transfer Station Planning Committee Report:**
- **June Ballot Items–Shore Land Septic System Compliance Ordinance – Public Hearing Date (PB is having a Public Hearing on May 15, 2012 – Could be Joint Meeting):** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to approve of the recommendation to hold a joint public hearing with the PB as recommended, on May 15, 2012 in the town office meeting room.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Red Light Applications – WMVFD, SCVFD, and CVVFD:** There were not any applications presented this evening.
- **Abatement(s):** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the abatements as presented. Copies of the abatements will be kept on file at the town office. These abatements were processed under the authority provided the Select Board pursuant to 36 MRSA Section 841 (3) on the grounds of inability to collect.

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- **June 12, 2012 Ballot:**

- **Warrant Signing and Town Clerk and Registrar's Hours and Polling Place/Hours and Absentee Ballots:**

- On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the Warrant for the June 12, 2012 Referendum Election. On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the recommended hours for the Town Clerk and Registrar prior to the election as presented. The hours for both will be M-F from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- **Paving Bids – Acceptance:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to award the contract to the lowest bidder, in this case Marriners Paving Inc. of Rockport, Maine.
- **Equipment, Materials, and Sand Bids – Acceptance:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 4-0-1(Foote) to accept the low bids and or what is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of China by the Town Manager. The Board discussed whether or not a clause should be included in the bid award relating to the possibility that there may be specific projects needing separate consideration, e.g. the access road at the schools. On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to accept add to the bid award the authority to execute specific projects separate from the traditional town related work.

There were not any bids submitted for roadside mowing. The Board agreed to authorize the Town Manager to arrange for roadside mowing.

- **MMA' Legislative Policy Committee – Nominations:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to submit Irene L. Belanger's name for a position on the LPC.
- **2 BYOB Requests:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 4-0-1(Austin) to accept and sign the applications for the events. Copies of the applications will be on file at the town office.

Manager's Report:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Committees: Implementation Committee – Wednesday, May 9, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office Meeting Room, the Thurston Park II, TBD, China Historical Society Committee, TBD, and the Transfer Station Committee Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Town Office Meeting Room:** The dates, times, and places of the respective committee meetings were announced.

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- **Visioning Goals Reviewed – Accomplishments/Items Remaining:** The Board remains committed to reviewing their progress on the goals set at the most recent visioning session.
- **Land for Maine’s Future Grant Application – May 15, 2012 Final Hearing Review:** A town representative will attend the hearing. The LMF Board will determine whether or not they will fund part of the cost of acquisition of the property proposed to be purchased. The LMF Board has noted they will only appropriate funds for land.
- **County Budget Deliberations – Paul MacDonald:** Selectperson Paul MacDonald provided the Board with a summary of the County budget deliberations. He is China’s representative on the County Budget Committee.
- **Going Paperless – Tablets:** The Board reviewed the quote for electronic equipment and did not make any decision on whether or not to make a purchase. They will revisit this item at a subsequent meeting.
- **Job Fair in Pittsfield:** It was noted that there will be a job fair in Pittsfield on May 9, 2012 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Warsaw School in Pittsfield.

In other business the Board discussed particulars relating to the open “fee-free” transfer station day to be held on Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board

Assessors Meeting **05/07/2012**

The Chair opened the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Abatements & Supplemental Tax Assessments: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Steven Hughes, the Board voted 3-1(MacDonald)-1(Austin) to accept and sign the abatements as presented. Copies of the abatements and supplemental tax warrants will be kept on file at the town office.

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On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to accept and sign the supplemental tax warrants as presented. Copies of the supplemental tax warrants will be kept on file at the town office.

On a motion by Selectperson Joann C. Austin and a second by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.