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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 06/04/2012 – 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 Sarah Golden, Sydney Barber, Scott A. Pierz, Mary Grow, and the Town Manager. Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by Scott A. Pierz.

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 05/21/2012 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 #57 for \$18,013.12 and Warrant #58 for \$326,672.68 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): Selectperson and Recycling Coordinator Paul MacDonald noted the market prices for recycled commodities have been declining recently. He also said that a full load of cardboard should be ready for marketing within the next week.

Other – Open Transfer Station Day Report: Selectperson Paul MacDonald also updated the Board about the recently held “Fee-Free Day” at the transfer station. He summarized the volumes of various products received and said it appeared the total quantities were similar to ones of the last few years. Paul guessed that about 90% of those participating had current transfer station stickers and that he sent many people to the town office to obtain stickers. The Select Board thanked all those who participated in the successful event.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Healthy Northern Kennebec – (A Local Healthy Maine Partnership) – Meredith Backus, Project Associate:** The Town Manager noted that a representative of program e-mailed him the morning of June 4 to say that some of the people planning to make the evening presentation were ill. The topic is rescheduled to the Board’s June 18 meeting.

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- **Executive Session – Pursuant to MRSA 1 Section 405(A) and/or (E) Code Enforcement Action Item:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to go into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. pursuant to MRSA 1, Section 405(A) and/or (E), Code Enforcement Action.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 5-0 to come out of Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. and resume the regular meeting.

On a motion by Selectperson Steven Hughes and a second by Selectperson Paul MacDonald, the Board voted 4-0-1(Austin) to direct the Town Manager to continue to pursue enforcement action relating to a property off Fire Road #60.

Manager's Report: - (Non-Action Items)

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Committees: Implementation Committee – TBD, the Thurston Park II, TBD, and China Historical Society Committee, TBD, Transfer Station Committee Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Town Office Meeting Room:** The Town Manager noted the dates, times, and places for the respective committee meetings.
- **Visioning Goals Reviewed – Accomplishments/Items Remaining:** The Town Manager handed out the most current visioning session list of priority goals the Board set and noted that much progress has been made over the last 6 months. The remaining items on the list will continued to be pursued.
- **Land for Maine's Future Grant Application – Feasibility Committee Interest Solicitation:** The Town Manager asked for and received permission to solicit people interested in serving on a lake access feasibility committee.
- **Transfer Station Planning Committee Report – Update:** The Town Manager noted that Susan Cottle, Recycling Coordinator Paul MacDonald, transfer station employees and the Town Manager have been meeting bi-weekly to gather cost data relevant to the transfer station. The group intends to make recommendations to the Select Board at a later date.
- **General Assistance Modal Ordinance – Public Hearing Next Meeting – 6:45 P.M.:** It was noted that a Public Hearing will be held just prior to the next Select Board meeting.
- **Somerset County Communications Center – PSAP Call Answering:** The Board postponed this item to the next meeting. They asked the Town Manager to invite the emergency services personnel to attend the next meeting to receive their input on the issue. China has been dividing emergency service call answering and dispatching services for some time: PSAP services from Somerset County Communications for emergency services and police calls; Dispatching for emergency services and police from the City of Waterville; and PSAP and Dispatching services from the CMRCC for Rural Patrol and State Police. The Town Manager explained that with the new fee schedule from the respective departments, it might be possible to save the town approximately \$17,000 if all services were delivered from one entity, the CMRCC.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Joann C. Austin, Secretary
China Select Board