

TOWN OF CHINA

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Select Board Meeting

Monday – 01/12/2015 – Town Office Meeting Room
7:00 P.M.

Minutes

The meeting was opened by the Chair at 7:00 pm. Board members present were Irene L. Belanger, Robert MacFarland, Neil Farrington, and Joann C. Austin. 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 Irene L. Belanger.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of the 12/31/2015 Select Board meeting as amended.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to accept Payroll Warrant #36 for \$18,860.21, Payables Warrant #37 for \$49,253.20 as presented.

Unfinished Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **2015-2016 Municipal Budget – Annual Business Town Meeting, Saturday, March 21, 2015 - Review of Budget and Approval of Warrant Articles of the 2015-2016 Municipal Budget**

Social Service and Non-Profit Organizations: A good part of the night's meeting was devoted to receiving presentations from representatives of agencies and non-profits and from David Herard, representing China Rescue. Many of the organizations also provided hand-outs. LifeFlight of Maine and the Maine Public Broadcasting Network are new on China's traditional annual list of solicitations for funding. The Town Line editor, Roland Hallee noted the last time that he requested funding was about nine years ago. Each agency represented at the meeting made presentations and responded to SB members' questions.

Selectperson Neil Farrington said he asked Rescue Chief Herard to attend the meeting to discuss ways to improve China Rescue's response times. David said that the main reason for delay is a lack of volunteers, particularly during the day time hour when he is the only responding member in town.

Police Officer Comments: The other budget presentation received by the Board was from the town's Police Officer, Shawn Esler. Shawn noted, in his presentation, that proposed equipment purchases would be majority funded through a grant.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to appropriate the respective amounts to the following organizations and non-

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profits:

Family Violence	\$2,000
KVCAP Demand Response Transport	\$545
Spectrum Generations	\$2,276
Kennebec Behavioral Health	\$2,000
Children's Center	\$1,500
Sexual Assault Crisis & Support	\$1,437
Waterville Boys & Girls Club	\$1,000
Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area	\$1,650
The Life Flight Foundation	\$750
MPBN	\$100
The Town Line	\$3000
American Red Cross	\$500
	<u>\$16,758</u>

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Robert MacFarland, the Board voted 4-0 to approve of and recommend "yes" to an appropriation of \$3000 for each of the ACB and SC Libraries.

- **Recycling Coordinator – Appointment of the Coordinator - Board Discretion:** On a motion by Selectperson Robert MacFarland and a second by Selectperson Joann C. Austin, the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and Selectperson Nail Farrington as co-coordinators of the town's recycling program.
- **Transfer Station Committee – Mission/Deliverables Expected if Created/Appointed:** This item was not acted upon at this meeting.
- **Committee/Organization Reports – Selectperson Belanger:** The reports were postponed to the next regular meeting.
- **TIF Agreement Conversation Continued – Bill Najpauer – Draft Document for Consideration:** The Board accepted the latest draft of the TIF program.

New Business:

- **Public Comment:** There was not any public comment at this time.
- **Quit-Claim Deeds Processing:** There were not any quit-claim deeds to process at this time.

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 2nd 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.,**

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Location China Town Office Meeting Room. The respective dates, times, and places of the meetings were announced.

- **Visioning Session – Board Retreat Summary:** It was noted that a summary of the visioning session would be available at the next regularly scheduled meeting. At some point the Board would review the summary for acceptance.
- **Transfer Station Stickers Now Available for 2015:** It was again noted that the new 2015 stickers are available to residents.
- **Christmas/Holiday Giving Account – Set Up Authority:** On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to authorize the Town Manager to set up a special Christmas fund account for donations given to help the town provide for needy families.
- **Governance Meeting RSU#18 – Thursday, January 29 – Superintendent’s Office 5:30PM:** The respective meeting particulars were announced.
- **Personnel Policy Additions – Code of Ethics:** The Town Manager noted that there would need to be consideration of some amendments to the town’s Code of Ethics. Recommendations would be provided to the Board at a later meeting.

In other business: On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Neil Farrington, the Board voted 4-0 to authorize the Town Manager to negotiate a long term arrangement with Waste Management of Norridgewock for the disposal of demolition and debris.

On a motion by Selectperson Irene L. Belanger and a second by Selectperson Robert MacFarland, the Board voted 4-0 to adjourn at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amber", written over a horizontal line.

Amber McAllister, Secretary
China Select Board

Attendance Sheet – 01/12/2014

Name	Address	e-Mail (legibly)
1 Katelyn Pushard	1 Alden Ave Augusta	^{plse} kpushard@childrenscenter katelynpushard augusta.com
2 <u>Kim Gray</u>	<u>Spectrum Generations</u>	
3 Melody Fitch	Po Box 304 Augusta 04332 Family Violence Project	melody@familyviolenceproject.org
4 David Herard	23 Apple Tree Ln.	
5 Elizabeth Keane	67 Gustis Pkwy, Waterville	ekeane@kblhmaine.org
6 <u>FRANK SOAMES</u>	<u>220 ALDEN PARK</u>	<u>CROSSBOWME@</u> <u>GMAIL.COM</u>
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13 Lynn Schwarz	China 381 Neck Rd	represent Hospice Vol H VWA Waterville area
14 Sheryl Peavey	75 Winding Hill Rd	sheryl.peavey@yahoo.com
15 Mary Brown	T. Munnery	

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1/12 -
1/19 - last budget
1/24 - coming