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China Select Board, Tuesday – 9/4/18
Regular Meeting – 4:00 P.M. – Town Office Meeting Room

Selectpersons present: Chairman Robert MacFarland; Secretary Irene Belanger; Neil Farrington; Donna Mills-Stevens and Jeffrey LaVerdiere. Town Manager: Dennis Heath. Others present: Kelly Grotton, Gary Cummings, Kevin Rhoades, Mike Tracy, Tracey Frost, Paul Lucas, Wayne Chadwick, Scott Forbes, Barrie Forbes, Frank Soares, Ed Brownell, and Susan Gaylord.

MINUTES

Robert MacFarland called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

I. Approval of Minutes

- a. Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Donna Mills-Stevens to approve the minutes of the 8/20/2018 Select Board Meeting; approved 5-0
- b. Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Neil Farrington to approve the minutes of the 8/24/18 Select Board workshop; approved 5-0

II. Warrants

- a. Motion by Neil Farrington and second by and Irene Belanger to approve Warrant #14 China Payroll Warrant for \$27,076.85; approved 5-0
- b. Motion by Neil Farrington and second by Irene Belanger to approve Warrant #15 YCC/CBI Payroll Warrant for \$3,658.51; approved 5-0
- c. Motion by Jeff LaVerdiere and second by Donna Mills-Stevens to approve Warrant #16 Payables Warrant for \$898,674.75; approved 5-0

III. Department Reports

- a. Town Clerk – Kelly Grotton
- b. Police – Tracey Frost/Mike Tracy
- c. Fire/Rescue
- d. Public Works – Gary Cummings
- e. Transfer Station – Kevin Rhoades
- f. Organization Reports/Committee Reports – Irene Belanger stated that the MMA conference is October 3rd & 4th and the KRDA open house is September 13th.

IV. Unfinished Business

- a. Heritage Tour Scholarship Fund - TABLED
- b. Internal Financial Controls - TABLED
- c. Tower Use Agreement - TABLED
- d. Foreclosure Properties Auction – On a motion from Neil Farrington and second by Jeff LaVerdiere to sign deed for property at 619 Pleasant View Ridge Road (Map 59 Lot 015) to Alaina Murray: approved 4-0 with Robert MacFarland abstaining. On a motion by Jeff LaVerdiere and second by Irene Belanger to approve bid #1 from Susan Gaylord on the Map 37 Lot 005 property: approved 4-0 with Robert MacFarland abstaining.

V. New Business

- a. Public Comment - None
- b. Ex Officio & Other Committee Appointments – On a motion by Neil Farrington and second by Irene Belanger, to appoint Bonny Hersey and Robert Jackson to the Thurston Park Committee and Dennis Heath appointed as an Ex-Officio member of all committees and appointment to the Road Committee as Commissioner; approved 5-0. On a motion by Irene Belanger and second by Jeff LaVerdiere to appoint Shawn Reed to the Road Committee; approved 4-1
- c. Warrant for November 6th Election – Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Jeff Laverdiere to approve Articles #1 & #2; approved 5-0. Motion by Jeff LaVerdiere and second from Neil Farrington to approve Article #3: approved 5-0. Motion by Jeff LaVerdiere and second by Donna Mills-Stevens to approve Article #4; approved 5-0. Motion by Robert MacFarland and second by Irene Belanger to amend Article #5 to change the amount to say “not to exceed \$5,000”; approved 5-0. Motion by Jeff LaVerdiere and second by Donna Mills-Stevens to approve Article #5 with amendment; approved 5-0. Motion by Robert MacFarland and second by Jeff Laverdiere to amend Article #6 to remove “Public Works”, and to change the amount to \$26,000.00; approved 4-0 with Neil Farrington abstaining. Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Jeff LaVerdiere to approve Article #6 with amendment; approve 4-0 with Neil Farrington abstaining. Neil Farrington made a motion to strike Article #7 with no second. Motion by Robert MacFarland and second by Donna Mills-Stevens at approve Article # 7; approved 5-0. Motion by Neil Farrington and second by Robert MacFarland to approve Article #8; denied 1-4
- d. Transfer Station Committee recommendation on 3-phase power. On a motion by Neil Farrington and second by Irene Belanger to move forward with the recommendation and to include an escape clause; approved 4-1
- e. Amendment to Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with Waste Management – on a motion by Robert MacFarland and second by Irene Belanger it was approved 5-0

- f. General Assistance for 2018-2019 – on a motion by Irene Belanger and second by Neil Farrington, voted to approve 5-0

VI. Manager's Communications – (Non-Action Items)

- a. Financial Summary for August 2018 – Through August total expenses are at 16.38 percent of the fiscal year budget
- b. Hyper-Reach (mass notification system) Webinar 9/18/18 at 4pm
- c. Transfer Station Traffic Study – Study shows highest traffic from 8 am to 12 pm and on Saturdays

VII. Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)E Consultation with Legal Counsel and/or 1 M.R.S.A §405 (6) (A) Personnel

Adjourn

Motion by Neil Farrington and second by Irene Belanger to adjourn at 6:57 pm; approved 5-0

Assessors Meeting

Robert MacFarland called the meeting to order at 6:47 pm.

Abatements and or Supplemental Tax Assessments:

- a. Motion by Irene Belanger and a second by Neil Farrington to approve abatements in the amount of \$3,988.41; approved 5-0
- b. Motion by Jeff LaVardiere and second By Irene Belanger to deny six abatements as recommended by the assessing agent; approved 5-0

Motion by Neil Farrington and second by Donna Mills-Stevens to adjourn at 7:12 pm; approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,



Irene Belanger
Secretary, China Select Board