

China Select Board, Monday – 8/14/2023 Select Board Meeting – 6:30 P.M. –Zoom and Livestream

<u>Select Board members present</u>: Wayne Chadwick, Jeanne Marquis, Blane Casey, and Brent Chesley. <u>Select Board member via zoom</u>: Janet Preston. <u>Town Manager</u>: Rebecca Hapgood. <u>Others Present</u>: Sheldon Goodine, Bob O'Connor, Neil Farrington, Cathy Chesley, Travis Mitchell, Deputy Stefanizzi, and Mary Grow. <u>Others Present via zoom</u>: Eric Lind, and Stephen Greene.

Chair Wayne Chadwick opened the meeting at 6:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

I. Approval of Minutes

- a. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to approve minutes of the 07/31/2023 Select Board meeting; approve 5-0
- b. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to approve minutes of the 08/03/2023 Special Select Board meeting; approved 5-0

II. Warrants

- a. Motion by Brent Chesley and second by Jeanne Marquis to approve Payroll Warrant #6 for \$35,508.27; approved 5-0
- b. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to accept Payables Warrant #7 for \$565,21.38; approved 5-0

III. Unfinished Business

a. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Janet Preston to award maintenance bids for repairs and painting to Travis Mitchell and the funding from the facility maintenance account carry forward; approved 5-0 (bid total \$12,600 - see documents attached)

IV. New Business

- a. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Jeanne Marquis to appointment Kevin Freeman as Recreation Committee member and Zachary Gosselin as Code Enforcement Officer and Local Health Officer; approved 5-0
- b. Discussed bids for Municipal Records Storage Building- discuss further at next meeting. Can public works complete the groundwork?
- c. Motion by Brent Chesley and second by Blane Casey to sign China Broadband Committee letter of support for Cohort 2 grant; approved 5-0
- d. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to sign audit engagement letter for Purdy Powers; approved 5-0

- e. Motion by Jeanne Marquis and second by Blane Casey to update Town website with A2Z Computing and funding to come out of contingency; approved 5-0
- f. Discussed November municipal election warrant.
- g. Discussed Ordinances ready for November Election. None ready or received from planning board yet.
- h. Discussed Town logo options by intern Bailee Mailett.
- i. Discussed senior fuel fund continuing. Town manager will get more information.
- j. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Janet Preston to approve taking \$16,096.87 from 2022-2023 contingency for the following items June legal (\$3,089.50), Legal overage for YE 6/30/2023 (\$956.70), #44 Association dues (\$372) and #58 General assistance overage (\$11,678.67); approved 5-0
- k. Motion by Janet Preston and second by Blane Casey to approve carry forward from FY 2022-2023 as presented; approved 5-0 (\$72,110.97 carry forward and \$173,044.27 reserve funds see signed sheet)
- I. Motion by Janet Preston and second by Blane Casey to stay with current evaluation assessment for 2023-2024 fiscal year; approved 5-0

V. Department Reports

- a. Administration Angela Nelson
- b. Economic & Community Development Bailee Mallett
- c. Public Services (Transfer Station and Public Works) Shawn Reed
- d. Assessing Kelly Grotton
- e. Code Enforcement Becky Hapgood
- VI. Public Comment- Eric Lind- representing CLA with a 319-grant update.
- VII. Select Board members' comments- Jeanne Marquis spoke about LS Power. The town of Albion will be voting on a moratorium in November. Janet Preston thanked all China Community Days staff & volunteers.
- VIII. Manager's Communication (Non-Action Items)
 - a. Date of regular meetings August 28, September 11 & 25
 - b. November election timeline

IX. Adjourn

Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to adjourn at 8:12 pm; approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Japet Preston - Secretary, China Select Board

8-14-2023 Select Board Meeting Minutes Video Recording of Meeting available at:

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