



# Town of China

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**China Select Board, Monday – 9/25/2023**

**Select Board Public Hearing & Meeting – 6:15 P.M. – Zoom and Livestream**

Select Board members present: Wayne Chadwick, Jeanne Marquis, Blane Casey, Brent Chesley, and Janet Preston (via zoom). Absent: none. Town Manager: Rebecca Hapgood. Others Present: Jen Smith, Paul Lucas, Jesse Haskell (Palermo), Joshua Laverdiere, Cathy Chesley, Daniel Pepice (Palermo), Deputy Boudreau, and Mary Grow. Others Present via zoom: none.

**Public Hearing Minutes – no comments during public hearing.** Motion by Blane Casey and second Brent Chesley to close public hearing at 6:16 pm; approved 5-0

## Assessors Minutes

### I. New Business

- Motion by Janet Preston and second by Blane Casey to accept abatement to Doody, Amy & Rob – Act 2145 in the amount of \$512.05; approved 5-0
- Motion by Blane Casey and second by Jeanne Marquis to accept abatement to Demerchant, Bryce – PP Act 604 in the amount of \$919.50; approved 5-0

### II. Adjourn

Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to adjourn Assessors meeting at 6:19 pm; approved 5-0

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## Select Board Minutes

### I. Approval of Minutes

- a. Motion by Brent Chesley and second by Blane Casey to approve minutes of the 09/11/2023 Select Board meeting; approved 5-0

### II. Warrants

- a. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to approve Payroll Warrant #12 for \$37,002.18; approved 5-0
- b. Motion by Brent Chesley and second by Blane Casey to accept Payables Warrant #13 for \$203,542.75; approved 5-0

**III. Public Comment-** Joshua Laverdiere, Jesse Haskell and Daniel Pepice spoke regarding LS Power and China holding a special meeting for a moratorium.

Motion by Jeanne Marquis and second by Blane Casey to have the Town Attorney, Amanda Meader, review the example ordinance provided by our citizen as a prototype for our own; approved 5-0

Also discussed process for town meeting for a moratorium. Attendees will prepare petition to ask for a special town meeting for a potential moratorium regarding the high impact transmission lines.

**IV. Unfinished Business**

- a. Motion by Janet Preston and second by Jeanne Marquis to adopt the Transfer Station sticker policy as presented; approved 3-2 (BCC/WC)
- b. Update on vault storage - postponed until next meeting.
- c. Town logo update from Jeani Marquis - in progress.
- d. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Brent Chesley to accept \$3,500 fine and apology from Tyler Bragdon regarding the violation at 42 Pond Road and behavior at the prior Select Board meeting; approved 5-0

**V. New Business**

- a. Motion by Janet Preston and second by Jeanne Marquis to accept bid so Thurston Park can move forward with repairs, pending legality of town money used outside of the town; denied 1 (JP) - 4
- b. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Jeanne Marquis to accept General Assistance Maximums; approved 5-0
- c. Discussed Palermo Transfer Station contract. Will provide document for next meeting.
- d. Motion by Wayne Chadwick and second by Brent Chesley to accept gutter bid from Builders Installed Products for \$2,457.00; approved 4-0-1 (BC)

**VI. Select Board members' comments-** Blane Casey stated it was nice to see people come into the meeting to hear what they had to say.

**VII. Manager's Communication – (Non-Action Items)**

- a. Holiday Monday, October 9 – Indigenous Peoples Day
- b. Date of regular meetings – Tuesday, October 10 (at 5pm) & Monday, October 23

**VIII. Adjourn**

Motion by Brent Chesley and second by Jeanne Marquis to adjourn at 8:16 pm; approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,



Janet Preston - Secretary, China Select Board