China Select Board, Monday – 1/4/2021 Regular Meeting – 6:30 P.M. –Zoom and Livestream

<u>Selectmen present</u>: Ronald Breton, Wayne Chadwick, Janet Preston, Blane Casey, and Irene Belanger. <u>Absent</u>: none <u>Town Manager</u>: Rebecca Hapgood. <u>Others Present via Zoom</u>: Tom Michaud, Jamie Pitney, and Scott Pierz.

Chairman Ronald Breton opened the meeting at 6:46 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MINUTES

I. Approval of Minutes

- **a.** Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Wayne Chadwick to approve the minutes of the 12/21/2020 Select Board meeting; approved 5-0
- **b.** Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Wayne Chadwick to approve the minutes of 12/28/2020 Select Board meeting; approved 5-0

II. Warrants

- **a.** Motion by Wayne Chadwick and second by Irene Belanger to approve China Payroll Warrant #32 for \$34,853.14; approved 5-0
- **b.** Motion by Wayne Chadwick and second by Irene Belanger to approve China Payables Warrant #33 for \$55,982.13; approved 5-0

III. Department Reports

- a. Administration- Angela Nelson
- **b.** Police- Craig Johnson
- c. Public Works- Shawn Reed
- d. Transfer Station- Ron Marois
- e. Assessing- Kelly Grotton
- f. Code Enforcement- Jaime Hanson
- g. Committees/Organizations- Sel. Irene Belanger

IV. <u>Unfinished</u> Business

- a. MRC nothing to report
- b. Suggestions for Spirit of America should be forwarded to Irene Belanger.
- c. Board input- Motion by Blane Casey and second by Wayne Chadwick to appoint Janet Preston as a member of the China Broadband Committee, only for direction and a non-voting position; approved 4-0-1

V. <u>New Business</u>

- a. Public Comment Jamie Pitney, Tom Michaud, and Scott Pierz
- **b.** Appointments- none
- c. Motion by Ronald Breton and second by Wayne Chadwick to not engage with Attorney Mueller for TIF activities; approved 5-0
- d. Motion by Ronald Breton and second by Blane Casey to contact Amanda Meader to confirm her working with TIF Committee and her expenses/fees come from, but not to exceed, the Legal Funds Reserve; approved 5-0
 - i. Correspondence between Amanda and the TIF Committee shall filter through Becky.
 - ii. The contingency funds may be used to help cover the legal expenses, as the budget line is currently over expended.
- e. Motion by Blane Casey and second by Irene Belanger to accept the Tobacco-Free Policy as written; approved 4-1 (WC)
- f. Discussion of upcoming projects and expenditures for budgeting purposes:
 - i. Farmers Market
 - ii. Community Garden
- g. Budget timeline
- h. Board input- none

VI. <u>Manager's Communications</u> – (Non-Action Items)

- a. Date of January meetings- January 4, 11 (Special) and 19 (on Tuesday due to holiday) and 26 if we need another budget meeting.
- b. Holiday closings- January 18
- c. Board input- none

VII. Adjourn

Motion by Irene Belanger and second by Wayne Chadwick at 7:55 pm to adjourn; approved 5-0

Assessors Meeting (immediately following the Select Board meeting)

I. Abatements/Supplemental Assessments:

- a. Abatements
 - i. Motion by Wayne Chadwick and second by Irene Belanger to approve abatement of \$178.80 for Eleanor Gagnon; approved 5-0
- b. Supplementals- none

II. Adjourn

Motion by Wayne Chadwick and second by Irene Belanger to adjourn at 7:58 pm; approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Trene L. Belanger Irene Belanger

Secretary, China Select Board