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Candia's Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2015

Attendance: Chairman Carleton Robie, Vice-Chair Boyd Chivers, Selectman Scott Komisarek, Selectman Craig Sandler, Selectman Susan Young, and Administrative Assistant Andria Hansen.

Chairman Robie opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Public meeting minutes 06/22/15. Selectman Young wanted to clarify a couple of things. She explained that Vice Chair Chivers notified her that community member Linda Bergeron taken offense to her comments at the last meeting as far as talking in the audience and people couldn't hear. So she went back and listened to the minutes from the last two meeting. She had already been approached by two community members who said they couldn't hear what was going on because there were people in the audience making comments and talking throughout the whole meeting. This is two community members that have already complained. The first, second, and third meetings she didn't say anything, but by the fourth meeting two more community members had complained and part of it is they have trouble with background noise. By this point she had four people complaining and they couldn't hear about the business the Selectmen were doing because someone was commenting in the back. The four people pointed out the same community member, who is Mrs. Bergeron. Selectman Young read from Selectman Chivers email "She wants an apology and is holding me (B. Chivers) accountable for your conduct as I (B. Chivers) was acting chairman for that portion of the meeting ..." Selectman Young said number one she has exactly what she did say and she didn't not use Mrs. Bergeron's name at all. This is coming about because of one of her actions. She didn't use her name and she requested that it be quiet before and she requested that people who comment, stand up give their name and address. It was simple protocol for a meeting. She wants to go on record saying that she apologizes if she offended somebody, but probably in this position they are going to do that at some point or another. Not on purpose or to be mean, but to keep things under control and it might even be done tonight. She reiterated that she apologized if she offended anyone, but will ask again with a crowd like this that people be respectful. They don't call the Chairman of the Board "King of Candia" or negative things like that which really don't accomplish anything. She apologized if she offended someone, but she will not take back the request that people should be respectful and there not be side conversations so that everyone can hear. In addition, if one of the Board members asked for your name and where you're from, you don't say "I'm a Candia resident and I live on a road". Things like that are a little immature for what we are trying to accomplish. If anyone has any questions on if those are accurate statements, she can point to exactly where they are on the tape. She will ask the Chairman and the Vice Chairman that we adhere to those rules when people stand up. She is all for free speech, but she is also for the Selectmen to have free speech also if they have a concern. She asked that this be enforced tonight and in the future. Chairman Robie asked Selectman Young if the minutes were correct. Selectman Young replied basically. Selectman Sandler moved to accept the Selectmen's public meeting minutes of June 22nd, 2015 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Chivers. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to meet with James St. Jean Auctioneers regarding the sale of tax deeded properties and consider a contract for that service. Chairman Robie said at the last meeting Selectman Chivers was asked to contact McInnis Auctioneers. There was some confusion on their services, so he has invited Jim St. Jean Auctioneers regarding the sale of tax deeded properties. He turned the meeting over to Selectman Chivers. Selectman Chivers asked Chairman Robie if he wanted to recuse himself and join the audience. Chairman Robie said no. Selectman Chivers noted they are going to be selling tax deeded properties and you are interested in some of these properties. The protocol requires him to join the audience. If he would so do, he would appreciate it. Chairman Robie said he didn't know what the protocol was. Selectman Chivers confirmed that he checked with the New Hampshire Municipal Association and he has to fully step down from the Board table in order to fully recuse himself from any Board decisions. It's a symbolic move but it is an important one. Chairman Robie agreed to do that for this matter. Chairman Robie recused himself and removed himself from the Board table due to potential conflict of interest in the matter under discussion. Selectman Chivers explained the last time they met they agreed to hire an auctioneer. They set the minimum bid for these four pieces of property that are going to sell and they agreed to hire the auctioneer the Board selected last year. Last year they solicited proposals from three auctioneers – Paul McInnis, Tranzon, and Jim St. Jean. For some reason Jim St. Jean didn't respond at that time, however he responded the following day when he contacted him this time so he is interested in our business. Our Board agreed to select Paul McInnis. He called them the day after their last meeting and told him they wanted to do business. He told him that 308 Raymond Road wasn't being offered for sale. When they proposed this to Paul McInnis last year they had five properties for sale and the most valuable was 308 Raymond Road. When Mr. McInnis found out that we were only selling four parcels the deal changed to an online auction with no minimum bid and he wanted an allowance of \$1,500 for advertising purposes. The terms our Board agreed on last meeting were minimum bids and a live auction. Knowing this he contacted Mr. St. Jean the following day and met with him and his brother Jay. They talked about how to set up an auction and what is the customary appropriate way of doing this. He introduced Mr. St. Jean who has been in the business for at least 40 years. He has conducted thousands of auctions and they do a lot of work with municipalities. He asked Mr. St. Jean if he was comfortable with a live auction at the town hall. Mr. St. Jean said yes and they've conducted 25 or 30 auctions recently for towns from Colebrook to Pelham. They are usually doing them on Saturdays to allow all of the townspeople to come. If they do it during the week people are working. The town hall is an appropriate place to do it and anybody that wants to come can be present and participate in the bidding. They get between 40% - 60% of the assessed value on average. He thought it was important to let them know that there is no financing by banks on these properties. Most of the people that come are cash buyers. For the properties that they have, the people that are going to come are direct abutters or people within a 10 mile radius of what we are selling. There are certain things you can do online like equipment, cars and trucks, but for tax deeded properties. He thought the townspeople deserve to see what is going on and if they want to come they can come to the auction. He felt with the properties they have they'll have about 25 to 40 people appear with certified funds or cash. If they are certified checks the Selectmen determine which certified checks they are going to take. This is a slippery slope, but it is above their pay grade. They can work with the minimum's the Board has selected. These lots are very desirable, Candia being what it is. He and his brother looked at each piece except for the piece that is landlocked. Selectman Chivers asked if they wanted a minimum bid on that piece. Mr. St. Jean said no he wouldn't, he would

do it absolute which means there is no minimum or reserves. He was assuming that some of the Selectmen were going to be at the auction, so if the minimum was \$500,000 off the Selectmen could meet and decide if they want to let it go or not. They decide on the closing whether it be 30 or 45 days. It is that simple. Often they find with towns that people want to close the next week which is good for the town. Selectman Chivers said they calculated minimum bids but it turned out to be odd numbers right to the penny. Would they recommend that they be even numbers? Mr. St. Jean said \$20,000 or \$25,000. With the minimum bids they want to ensure that they don't scare anyone away. There is a pool of investors out of Manchester that will come. But if they set the minimum bids too high they are going to say forget it. Selectman Chivers noted they can't conduct this auction for at least 90 days after they book their services. This would put the auction sometime in October. Mr. St. Jean asked if October 24th would work. Selectman Chivers said ok and this would give them 90 days from now. He asked if the Board members had any questions for Mr. St. Jean. Mr. St. Jean said what the Board may find between now and then with those properties is that people might come up with some money. Mr. St. Jean brought some advertising examples for the Board. There is also an "agreement and deposit receipt" sample attached with it. He believed that Atty. Mayer drafted this receipt. This is what most municipalities are using with the successful bidders. Selectman Chivers asked if their fee is paid on the 10% buyer's premium. Mr. St. Jean added and their advertising. Their advertising will be paid with the buyer's premium and they will charge the town nothing. Selectman Chivers asked if they put signs up in front of these properties. Mr. St. Jean said three out of the four properties. They will advertise in the Union Leader, the Sunday news, and the local publications. It will be on their website for three weeks leading up to the auction date. They will send out our eblast which is a one page brochure to 1,700 people who are currently on their eblast list. They will also provide a copy of that for the town. Selectman Chivers said they would need a list of the abutters and how to get in touch with them. Mr. St. Jean said they will mail them a letter stating these properties are going up for auction on October 24th. Selectman Chivers asked if they had a contract for the Board to consider. Mr. St. Jean said he didn't but would email it to him. Selectman Chivers said they will vote on it this evening and he could sign the contract tomorrow. He thanked them for coming. Selectman Chivers asked if they Board would like to make a motion, so they can get this process going. *Selectman Chivers moved to hire James R. St. Jean Auctioneers as soon as we can, sign the contract, and get this process going for an October 24th sales date. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Selectman Chivers thought they should round up the minimum bids now. He proposed the landlocked property shouldn't have a minimum bid. If they set it too high no one is going to buy it. The abutters are going to wait and let the town own it. The second one our minimum bid was \$27,280.97 and should they round it down to \$27,000. The third property our minimum bid is \$20,952.91 and should they round it up to \$21,000. The last one our minimum bid is \$24,940.45 and should they round it up to \$25,000. Selectman Young asked with the minimum bids are they taking into account above and beyond what they owe the town plus basic bookkeeping. They didn't add the 15%. Selectman Chivers said they added 5%. On that same point the Board is aware that we are entitled to add 15% of the assessed value of the minimum bid under RSA 80:90f. They've only added 5%. In so doing the town has forfeited the right to \$27,280. If the bidding for these properties goes high enough and exceeds their minimum, they are leaving \$27,280 on the table. It is the Board's pleasure right now to readjust the minimum bids or to go with what they had. Bear in mind they are accountable to the Town of Candia for leaving \$27,280 on the table. Selectman Young thought they discussed this in detail at the last

meeting and she believed their wishes were that they remedy what was owed to the town and it was our preference to give what was left over to any heirs or property owners. Selectman Komisarek agreed because they are getting the 18% interest. The town would be made whole and it was reasonable. Selectman Chivers noted when he signs the contract the new minimums would be the rounded numbers.

Chairman Robie rejoined the meeting.

Departmental Reports: Highway, Police, Fire, Building, Solid Waste & any other depts.

Highway: Road Agent Lewis read from the attached report. They did a top coat of paving on Depot Road which is the section where they lowered tracks and put in the box culvert. They added a new stop sign at Palmer and Brown Road. He and Chief McGillen discussed it and it is an awkward intersection. A resident asked if he could ask a question regarding the sign. Chairman Robie said this is a Selectmen's meeting and the residents are welcome to come to it is a public meeting, but it is the Selectmen doing their business twice a month. As our department heads and Selectmen are speaking, if anyone has a question there will be an appropriate time to answer it. The resident will raise their hand and state their name and address. They have been trying to institute this for awhile now. They had one small incidence two or three weeks ago that had been compounding and they are going to move forward with the procedure. Chairman Robie apologized to Road Agent Lewis for the interruption. Road Agent Lewis continued with his report. He noted that Brown road is the through road, so they put the sing on Palmer Road. They did tree removal on Brown Road, because a tree came down on Saturday night. He wasn't sure why it did. They've been doing never ending patching. As the roads get in worse shape the patching goes up. He's done some culvert cleaning; they've had a few beaver issues around town. He's starting the Chester Turnpike project either the end of this week or the beginning of next week. It will take about three weeks to do. The Fire Department is going to have training on Old Deerfield Road. He didn't know if the location has changed or not. He and Chief McGillen have discussed some different locations. He didn't know where that stands now. If it is still on Old Deerfield Road they are going to close the lower section of Old Deerfield Road on Friday, because there aren't any homes there. They will set up the rest on Saturday morning and it should be over by Saturday afternoon. Selectman Chivers asked if he was going to mow this year along the roads. Road Agent Lewis said they are going to mow this year. Last year they didn't for budget reasons, but this year they are. Selectman Chivers asked who would be doing it. Road Agent Lewis said they haven't decided yet. Selectman Young asked about the bridge on Old Deerfield Road. Road Agent Lewis said they would get the guardrails on. Selectman Young said ok because now four people have asked her about it. She just wanted to make sure it's going to be done. Citizen Richard Cox of 452 Brown Road applauded Road Agent Lewis for putting up a stop sign. It has been uncontrolled for a long time, but due to the limited sightline of that intersection the first time he approached that he didn't see the stop sign. He has witnessed a number of people going through the intersection since. He realized that budget restraints are tight but a stop ahead sing appropriately placed before that would be reasonable at that intersection. Road Agent Lewis said he could do a stop ahead sign and he might even have one. The next time they redo any of the road work down there, they may change that to a "T" intersection. There used to be a triangle in the middle but it got lost about 40 years ago. Now it is a free for all intersection that is 60 feet wide. So they put the sign back a little bit, because if it

had been right down where you wouldn't have to stopped and you would never see it, but they will put a stop ahead sign up.

Police: Chief McGillen said they had about 195 incidents for the month of June. It was mostly suspicious activity. There was some suspicious vehicle calls. They appreciate the residents calling it in. They didn't have any burglaries last month. They've had some thefts and vandalism. In late May there were several mail boxes that got smashed. They know who the individuals are and they have pending charges. They've been working with Deerfield. They got some information which lead to seven towns charging these youths in the Raymond/Epping area. He wanted to give some recognition to Sgt. Gallagher. A couple of weeks ago he was down in the Village Cemetery and discovered some auto parts out in the woods and on the trails. There were wheel barrels filled with parts. They came from Car World. They had a guy who would come sign in and take parts almost every day. He was taking the parts and going down through the fence. He was stockpiling them and using Car World's wheel barrels and bringing them to the back of the cemetery. They realized they had 5 or 6 wheel barrels missing and they couldn't figure it out. He noted that Building Inspector Murray found some of the wheel barrels. The department didn't even know they were having a problem, so he, Sgt. Gallagher and Officer Langlois canvassed the area. A male subject who was out on parole for numerous things was arrested. The case is still pending so he can't get into that part of it. Sgt. Gallagher did some good work with Officer Langlois and this guy is in Valley Street Jail. Car World realized they were missing thousands of dollars worth of catalytic converters. They're a big commodity these days. They can't prove that all of the converters that these guys have been pawning came from Car World but there is \$3,000 to \$4,000 worth. Car World hasn't been marking their products but they are taking steps to put a camera system in and be more vigilant. They did use the 4-wheeler that came up at one of the last meetings to check all of the trails behind Car World. They had a woman who was a victim of a burglary on Critchett Road who lost some family items that meant a lot to her. So she asked them to check the trails. They hit the area the same time they were looking for stuff from Car World. The purchased the trailer for the 4-wheeler from Candia Trailers. The Candia Woman's Club and the Garden Club have donated some money towards the purchase of the trailer to store the 4-wheeler. It is currently being stored at his house. He felt they needed to store the trailer here for easy access if they need to bring the 4-wheeler out for missing child or assisting a case. The remaining balance is coming out of the drug fund. It is money they had seized with the DEA on a couple of drug cases in Candia. It was upwards of \$17,000 that was seized. Chief McGillen noted that he was at the fire on Laliberti Lane. The Fire Department did a great job. He, Officer Gray, and Officer Mahoney responded. The whole house was full of smoke and the homeowner was there trying to get the dog out. Officer Gray broke down the back sliding door and made a couple of attempts to try to get into the house but it was too dangerous. They don't know the cause but they don't think it is suspicious. He wanted to give some recognition to Officer Gray. The Fire Chief from Chester wrote a letter to him about Officer Gray, who helped the family bury the family dog. It was the family's wishes. **Recommendation to appoint a part time Animal Control Officer and backup Secretary:** Chief McGillen would like to recommend Matt Murphy for the Animal Control Officer. He lives up on Merrill Road with his family. He has a small scale farm. He expressed an interest in the town's ACO after Kate Morrill resigned. They didn't have any other applicants. After meeting Mr. Murphy he thought he would be a great asset to the town. He wants to be involved with the community and they can teach him as they go. Chief McGillen

would like to recommend Matt Murphy as the part time ACO at \$13.00 and there would be a 90 day probationary period. Selectman Chivers said he supported Mr. Murphy's nomination. He met with him last week and he is eager to take the job, he's got a job and doesn't mind hauling dead animals. He's has a trailer as well. He is willing to use his vehicle if we pay him mileage in lieu of an ACO vehicle. They will wait a couple of months and if he is comfortable using his own vehicle and we can afford to pay him mileage maybe they can rid of the ACO car. *Selectman Chivers moved to hire Matthew Murphy as the Animal Control Officer at \$13.00 per hour. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Chief McGillen said they need a fill in for their secretary, so they have Annie Flight. She worked with the Auburn PD for about 10 years. She just retired last summer. She expressed an interested and knows how to use all of the police software. She did the same functions at the Auburn PD. He would like to recommend Annie Flight as the fill in Secretary at \$13.00 per hour. She lives in Fremont, so she's not that far away. He thought she would be a good fit for the department. He has known her for several years and felt she would be a good asset. Selectman Chivers said he supported Annie's nomination. He met with her last week and she is willing to go down to the basement and help sort out records. She is familiar with the retention standards established by the State. *Selectman Chivers moved to appoint Annie Flight to be the fill in Administrative Assistant at the Police Department with a starting wage of \$13.00 per hour. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.* **Selectmen & the interview process:** Chairman Robie mentioned that there was a question about the Selectmen liaison being involved with the interview process with the department heads. He asked the Board if they wanted to write a policy that the department heads would invite the Selectmen's liaison to the interview for a potential employee as the interview is going on and a recommendation is coming forward. Instead of after the recommendation has been made and the interview has taken place. Do they want to have a policy in place in which at least the liaison has been asked to attend? Selectman Chivers would think so. Last summer they hired two part time officers and he sat with Mike though out the whole process. He thought it was a valuable experience. Chief McGillen makes the final cut and then they interview them together. He thought that process made sense. Chairman Robie said he tended to agree with that. He though the department heads could narrow down the candidates to the people they were going to recommend and then have one last interview and have the Selectman liaison come forward and make a recommendation or not. He thought it would be a good policy and it is not a lot to ask of the department heads. Selectman Chivers asked if they were going to extend the same policy to the contractors in town. Chairman Robie thought they had the opportunity to interview any contractor that they are getting a bid from. The subcontractors they have for an hourly rate pretty much work for the Highway Department. He didn't think that there was any other department hiring subcontractors. At this time if there was a question and the Road Agent was hiring a subcontractor and they wanted to meet the person before they put him to work, he thought they could request that. Selectman Young said she didn't believe in micromanaging and felt they had a lot of capable people who work for the town. She asked if this was something they could write up, so she can understand what they are suggesting. She would like to see the policy before they vote on it. It was the consensus of the Board to write up a policy and review it at the next meeting. Chief McGillen thought they should see what other towns are doing. Just a little history he has been here for quite a few years and there have been different Boards and they hired based on the department heads recommendation. They used to run it by the liaison and give them the background information on the candidate. They used to bring the candidate in before the public meeting for a

meet and greet. They did this for years and then a few years ago they went to hire a full time officer and that went down in flames. They had the candidate present and he thought it was going to be a go. He didn't know if they needed a policy and see what other towns do. Chairman Robie said that was the policy he was talking about. He knows for one instance, the liaison was involved and they asked if him if he knew them and he had a different opinion then they did. He felt this was a good process instead of having the candidate come in and have an instance like Chief McGillen was just talking about where everyone is uncomfortable. They'll go with the recommendation from the Chief of Police but at least someone from the Board had a little interest in that choice. He felt this was a good policy. They'll write something up and try to get it approved.

Fire: Selectman Chivers read from the attached report. They are half way through the year and the fire department budget looks pretty good. Selectman Young said that Road Agent Lewis already mentioned that drill and it is going to be quite extensive. She was told Raymond Town Fair had their muster and Candia won all four of the categories, so the Fire Chief is going to ask to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Solid Waste: Selectman Sandler said they are in the process of having the new baler delivered between the first and second week of August. They've moved the date up a little. Facility Operator Chuck Witcher is working on getting the hydraulic fluid out of the old one. The price they are getting for materials is down. There seems to be a glut of what they have there. In some cases, like white bottles, they only compress four bales per year. It's tough getting a full load to get maximum price. They cleaned up a lot of the outside stuff. They got rid a whole load of air conditioners which make quite a pile near the brush pile. Other than that there is nothing new. He felt Chuck was doing a good job and he has more work than he can do. Also, he has lost one of his key people and they are out straight most of the time. He's doing the best he can with what he has to work with. Selectman Chivers asked if he had any idea of what is happening in the market for recyclables. They are down in every category. Selectman Sandler said there was an article in the Wall Street Journal about that. He didn't know what it was other than a worldwide glut of plastic. Aluminum is the only one that has held up and that is still 30% off. He thought copper was up as well. Chairman Robie said at some point it is going to cost us money to recycle. Selectman Sandler said they don't have a great deal of storage space and you can't time the market. When you get a lot of stuff they should sell it at the best price they can get it and put the money back into the general fund. He thought that was the number one purpose of the recycling center, to try to turn some of the money back to the community from solid waste.

Building: Building Inspector Murray read from the attached report. There was a 10% - 15% increase in permits from last year.

The Board to discuss tax map maintenance contract. Chairman Robie said this is the same maintenance contract they've had for years. He noted the Selectman Young had some questions and thought their tax maps were incomplete which some of them are. Selectman Young said she would ask for his expertise, but these maps are really off not just a little. She didn't know what the process was. Is it like reassessing the town and they go section by section? It seems that they are very far off. Selectman Chivers asked what they have to base that on or what do they have to

judge that against. Selectman Young said last meeting was a good example of where they are off. Selectman Chivers asked how that was. Selectman Young said the tax map wasn't accurate. She knows of at least two personal situations where they are off a lot. Chairman Robie explained that usually the tax maps are corrected when a survey is done or when a piece of property sells or transfers ownership. There is a survey and when it is completed and it is found to be something other than what it is credited for our assessor and mapper change it. At this point the assessor can only go by what is on the map and the assessor is not a surveyor. Selectman Young said they have all of these people that could be coming to the auction and they are going by the tax maps. She thought this was a problem that was discussed at the last meeting. Selectman Chivers noted that Chairman Robie offered the Board a correction to the tax map. Chairman Robie added that it will be in the packet that will go to prospective bidders. Selectman Chivers said that just takes care of one property. Chairman Robie said anyone buying a piece of property who doesn't agree with what is on the tax maps will have a survey done before they buy it. Selectman Young thought it was very expensive to have a survey done. Chairman Robie said it's cheaper than getting something you didn't think you were getting. Selectman Chivers asked if they already have a contract with this company. Chairman Robie explained this is a new contract for 2016, but we've been using them for years and years. With the tax deeded properties it was a gray area and it has been brought forward. Selectman Chivers asked if they should consider extending this contract. Chairman Robie said he would like to extend the contract at this point and it would be his recommendation. *Selectman Chivers moved to renew the contact with CAI Technologies for another year. Seconded by Selectman Sandler. All were in favor. Motion carried.* It was noted that the proposed contract amount was \$1,700 which was the same as last year

The Board to meet with Artifact Recovery Team. Tom Bunce and Frank Minakin of the Artifact Recovery Team were present. Mr. Bunce explained what the Artifact Recovery Team does is they look for artifacts that define the age of the property. For example, they were at a property in Wilton and they took pictures of the barn from 1890. They found a two cent piece which is fairly rare from 1869 and it ties in with the date of the property. They are giving it to the property owners this week, who will be giving it to the Historical Society. This is why they do this. They try to find artifacts that tie into history of the property they are looking at and that has some meaning. He noted that he is a freelance author for Western Eastern Treasure magazine. In this magazine they just did Diane and Jim Philbrick's property. It is a wonderful article and they found two very old coins and they also found keys to an organ that goes back to an original church in the area. He explained they write articles based on what they find. They don't take anything away; they give it to the town or the property owner. The reason they are here this evening is because they are asking for permission from the Town of Candia to be able to hunt those properties owned by the town that are restricted. They don't go on any land without written permission and when they go on land they sign a liability release. With the help of the Selectmen they would like to find out what those private lands are. They would like to work with someone in the town to identify them. They'll go on the property and bring the artifacts back and present them to the town's Historical Society. He had cards for any individual lands owners that would like them to be on their property as well. All they are asking for is to take pictures of the property and take pictures of what they found. This is what they are proposing and if the Board could line something up with them and the Board accepts the idea they would love to work with them. Mr. Bunce announced that his new book is coming out on

Amazon this week and it is called "The Secrets of Success". It is about very different people he has interview throughout the United States and Candida who've made thousands and thousands of dollars finding treasure. If anyone wants to look for treasure this is how you do it. Selectman Sandler asked if someone is doing some architectural work would this hold them up in any way. Mr. Bunce replied not at all. Selectman Chivers said he had Howard Johnson come over to his house once, because he dropped a wrench in his swamp. He looked for it for days. This guy came over with his metal detector and found it. Mr. Bunce said they have the tools and Mr. Johnson has 17 detectors. Selectman Sandler suggested that they might find some work with the police department. Mr. Bunce said they have evidence recovery with police departments. They are very well qualified to do police recovery and they do it free of charge. Chairman Robie asked if they had a piece of property in mind or would they like their recommendations on properties to search. Mr. Bunce said he would like the Board's recommendation. Chairman Robie said if the Board recommends that we give these people permission, there may be some questions from some of the other boards and committees regarding different facilities. Selectman Chivers asked if the Board could give their endorsement and they could go to the Historical Society and other committees that will help identify some key properties in Candia. Mr. Bunce said that would work. Selectman Chivers said once they get a consensus from the Board to enter town property, the Historical Society or Heritage Commission could point them in a better direction. Chairman Robie said that's what he is saying and they may get some opposition from other committees. He thought they should come to the Board with the properties they want to work at. If everyone is on board, they can come to the Selectmen with a piece of paper and they can sign off on it. It would be valid and this would be his request. Selectman Young thought that was a great idea and may be send an email to all of the organizations in town to let them know about it. It would be a quick communication to see if the other committees and boards like it or not.

The Board to authorize payment of payroll checks and accounts payable checks. The Board to authorize payment of payroll checks and accounts payable checks. Chairman Robie announced the grand total of payroll and accounts payable checks for July 2nd, July 9th, and July 16th was \$855,877.31. Selectman Chivers motioned to accept accounts payable and payroll checks for July 2nd, July 9th, and July 16th in the amount of \$855,877.31. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Other Business

Agenda request: Selectman Chivers asked how he gets on the agenda for this meeting. He sent an email to Administrative Assistant Hansen last Wednesday asking for a specific item to be placed on this agenda and when he got the agenda at 3:01 pm July 10th he had no way to contact anyone to see why his request wasn't on the agenda. He would like to have an explanation. Chairman Robie asked which request was that. Selectman Chivers said he requested why this letter was sent out by this Board endorsing the Solar Up Project. He called Administrative Assistant Hansen and she told him that Chairman Robie advised her not to put it on the agenda. Chairman Robie said that was true. Selectman Chivers asked if he had the courtesy of calling him to tell him why he wasn't going to put his request on the agenda. Chairman Robie said obviously not. Selectman Chivers asked didn't he think he should have. Chairman Robie said no. Selectman Chivers asked him how he goes about constructing the agenda for these meetings.

Chairman Robie said the Solar Up Project was voted on by this Board to move forward with this program. It happened on two occasions once with the former Board prior to March and another with this Board. Selectman Chivers asked if he could address just his question. How do you determine who gets on this agenda. They'll get to the Solar Up Project next. Can you tell me whether the final authority for determining this agenda rests with you? Chairman Robie thought it did. Selectman Chivers said then were not a Board of equals then. Chairman Robie felt they were. This situation here had already been discussed and if they wanted to discuss it further they could discuss it under other business. Selectman Chivers said he wanted a specific entry on the agenda for that discussion and you refused to put it on there and you didn't offer me an explanation. He not only thought it was rude but an abuse of his office. Chairman Robie apologized. Selectman Chivers said he would also like to know what policy he goes by when determining who gets on this agenda. Chairman Robie said it was the policy he already explained to him. He thought it was already explained in detail that this Board agreed to let these people use our recommendation for the Solar Up Program for our community. They wanted to see if they could get Candia on the list, there were four or five towns picked in the State of New Hampshire. They sent a crew out to do this and they did it for us. You made a comment to me last week that they need to be a united Board and we have one person that disagrees with the Solar Up Program. Selectman Chivers said he researched the record and he couldn't find in what instance the Board ever voted to support the Solar Up Project, not once did this Board ever take a vote. He called his attention to the book Chairman Robie provided him "All actions taken by the Selectmen or Counsel must be voted on by a majority of the Board in a public meeting that complies with the right to know law." Now in addition to this Board not taken an official position on Solar Up, they acted on the recommendation from the Planning Board. He knows when the Planning Board made their recommendation to us the Chair abstained because he hadn't read the thirty page contract that went with Solar Up. They sent us a memo none the less on April 2nd and all it did was ask for our Boards support. They never once put it on the agenda and they never once brought it to a vote. This letter come out last Tuesday on Board of Selectmen letterhead signed sincerely Carleton Robie, Chairman of the Board. There was a never a motion by this Board to send out this letter. Not only was it sent out in violation of RSA 41 it contains a material misrepresentation. It says "We have interview several companies and have Selected Granite State Solar as the solar installer that best fits our residents." He asked who the companies were that they interviewed. Chairman Robie said he didn't interview them he went on the recommendation of the people who we gave permission to research this. Selectman Chivers said this letter suggested the Board of Selectmen interviewed those people. When you send something out on Board of Selectmen letterhead and you say "we" the implication is that the Board did this. We did no such thing. Chairman Robie agreed. Selectman Chivers asked if this would have been too much trouble to have put this to a vote and tell us exactly what his plan was and whether this letter was intended to go out. Chairman Robie said he wouldn't have put that out, he didn't send this letter out. Selectman Chivers said he signed it. Chairman Robie said he didn't sign it, someone signed his name. If he signed it, it would have been in ink and it would have been written Carleton Robie. Selectman Chivers said his first question was how does he get on the agenda to discuss something like this and secondly how do they ensure that they don't take action like this in the future and they act as a Board. Chairman Robie reiterated that he didn't sign it and the committee that was put forward to research this put it on our letterhead and put Carleton Robie, Chairman of the Board. They didn't put it in front of him to sign. He wouldn't have signed it and sent it out to the community

without knowing the facts of what it said. He did know what the RSA says here and he is very transparent in what they do here. He would say this is a miscommunication of some people that were designated to do something for our community with the recommendation, maybe not a vote, but a recommendation of this Board on two occasions to move forward with this. He is going to stand by them and he wished they have stuck this in front of him and asked him to sign it before they sent it out. This didn't happen and he apologized. He was hoping to get some people interested in solar and move this forward. He felt it was a good program and it will give some people an opportunity. You and I disagree on that. After the consensus we disagree and don't become one and support it. Selectman Chivers said he didn't know they were being asked to take a position on anything. It was brought up under other business on their way out of the room and it was never mentioned of a request for our endorsement nor was there any thought given that these contractors were all vetted. They are going out on a limb here and they are recommending one contractor for this entire town and they are giving them their endorsement that they are going to give the best quality, service, and price of all of the other contractors available. He's not confident that this is correct. They haven't seen anyone else they've gotten in here. Selectman Young said she wasn't sure what this was all about, but the basic question was how you get on the agenda. They will have to agree to disagree. She does remember the conversations and there was agreement to pursue this and get a committee and a couple of individuals involved with this. This is why they have them this is why they have the committee. She doesn't like to micromanage, some people do and some don't. She trusts in the individuals they have on this committee. Her understanding was there was an agreement of 4 out of 5. She thought this was something that was going to happen. The basic thing of how you get on the agenda is for stuff that is important and needs to be put on there. They try to limit it to a couple of hours. Tonight they want public input and the Chairman has to decide and might limit it to ten minutes. She was assuming this was an answer to his original question. Selectman Sandler noted according to the Municipal Association all Selectmen are equal having said that if he wanted to put something on the agenda he thought the Chairman would give him the opportunity to do that. Chairman Robie said he had something for Selectman Sandler and he gave him the opportunity to put it on or not. Selectman Chivers asked if he would give him the same consideration he gave Selectman Sandler. If he wanted to be on the agenda regardless of the topic would he afford that consideration? Chairman Robie said he certainly would and he overlooked this and didn't think they had such a big issue with the solar thing and he apologized. Selectman Chivers said that wasn't the issue, the issue is access to the agenda by other Board members. Chairman Robie said at some point they made that decision and it was the wrong decision and he will address it.

Auditing Services Contract: Selectman Chivers asked if there was something of concern that this town should be aware of that causes our auditing services contract line to be overspent by \$2,000 as of mid year. We spent the entire \$17,500 we allocated plus an additional \$1,837. Could Chairman Robie explain that? Chairman Robie said no not this evening. Selectman Chivers asked if there was an explanation. Chairman Robie said no but he would find one. He will get to the bottom of it. Selectman Chivers said okay because we have a contract for \$17,500. How could they go beyond that is the question? Chairman Robie noted the auditing process took more effort than they had anticipated. Chairman Robie thought they had to do more work than department heads had made available to them. This has been a problem before and he thought the audit was completed so it has been paid in full. If there is an overage he was sure

they paid the bill. Selectman Chivers asked him to find out why there was an overage. Chairman Robie said he would look into it. Selectman Young commented that a lot of these lines were over and a lot of them are under. Selectman Chivers said the contract lines are set up in the beginning of the year where the contract was \$17,500 if it goes over that amount there is a reason for it. Selectman Young said that was her question a couple a months ago with Comcast. She didn't think anyone was hiding anything. Chairman Robie said there is a fine line and they are going to do so much for this amount of money and when they get to doing the job and someone hasn't completed their task and they have to do it for them they are going to charge us for that.

Pond Park gazebo: Chairman Robie mentioned that someone had painted the gazebo at the Pond Park and no one has come forward and he would like to thank them. It was in rough repair. He had talked with Mr. Sheppard about getting it done, because he had done it for us a couple of times at no charge. It got painted and they are having concerts on Wednesday evenings over there and that is really good. He noted that the trees at Moore Park are over growing into the ball field. The tree line had overtaken the fence line and he thought they should try to save the fence line. Selectman Chivers asked how big the trees were. Chairman Robie said they couldn't get between the fence and the tree line. They need a bucket truck to take some of the limbs off of the trees and the brush needs to be trimmed and the fence line needs to be sprayed. They have done the best they can keeping the park mowed and picked up the garbage and they take care of the bathrooms the best they can. They have somebody over there not respecting their bathrooms its happening about once per week and its getting old. He would like to see if they could hire someone to trim the fence line with a bucket truck, a chipper, and some weed whackers. He already asked Asphlund for a price and they are not interested in that. Then he asked a young man who cuts trees and brush on weekends and he thought the price was a little high. They will need to get a roof on the pavilion and this fall they will figure that out. Selectman Komisarek said they will get together and figure it out. There are some community service hours that are coming their way from the police department and they plan on doing some things. There budget is quite small. Chairman Robie said it is very unexpended at this point. They need to save the fence or let the trees grow in, they need to pick one. They need to do something. Citizen Mike Yeatman of 216 Critchett Road said when contract work goes over the simplest thing is to look a change order of that contract. You can't increase a contract without a change order so the explanation is on paper somewhere. Chairman Robie said he would find an answer for Mr. Chivers and report back.

Picture removal at the recycling center: Chairman Robie said they were going to keep it brief and orderly. Citizen Jim Argeriou said he read an article in the Hooksett Banner about a week ago. It upset him a little bit. When he went to the dump the workers confirmed that the art work and flowers were going to be moved entirely. As of last Wednesday they are in fact gone. He felt he needed to do something so he started a petition. Granted it's an on line petition and it probably is not legal, but they have 226 signatures as of 5:30 pm. What is interesting as they read the names which they will all recognize, the comments are great. It is 226 people from town and it a broad spectrum of people from every walk of life. It's not just a bunch of hippies who want their flowers and art back. He though they should bring it back and taking the flowers and pictures from the dump took a little chip out of Candia. They just had a guy paint the gazebo with no provocation and not looking for a penny. He just did it out of the kindness of his heart

and that is Candia. The dump is part of Candia and it has been like that for ten years. He doesn't see the harm in pictures, are they going to take the pictures down in the town hall next. He presented the Board with the petition. He would like to see this town brought back to its pre-Amanda glory. He would hope that the Board would change their minds about this. There are 226 other people that hoped they changed their mind on this as well. Citizen Linda Bergeron of Diamond Hill Road said she would like to address Selectman Young's comments. She said that I was inappropriate and disrupting the meetings, but there would be long pauses and you would have to wait for me to quiet down. The previous minutes her friend wasn't even there in the audience and she sat with a group of men and said nothing. She commented that she called Carleton the king of Candia, but that was after he said he could do anything he wanted and that was her retort. They need to be able to come to the town hall meeting without feeling subject to being removed because she disagrees with what the Board is saying. She can't understand why four people complained to Mrs. Young when Cinny and I are the only two people in attendance except for the department heads. She would like to know who those four people are so she can sincerely apologize to them. Selectman Young said she had nothing to hide and she was talking about the last two meetings that they had and there were more than you and your friend in attendance. She wasn't going to go back and forth. She is very approachable and they can call her and she will give out her email. If someone has a problem or doesn't like what she says come and talk to her about it. Everyone is not going to agree on everything. This is why she didn't say anything because she didn't have the facts. She listened (to the recording) and she does have the facts. She reiterated that she was not going to go back and forth. She gave an open apology if she offended anyone. She is taking the high road and she will not give out the names of people that complain about anything to her. Number one it is their privacy and the fear of retribution, such as we are seeing tonight. She is going to keep to the high road and she is not going to tell anyone who is telling her or asking her about things, it is there right to do that because she represents everyone. She did apologize and didn't know what else they want her to do. She believes in free speech and will fight for it till the end when there is a time and place for it. They just can't have chaos. Citizen Linda Bergeron said she was recognized by Chairman Robie to be able to speak. Selectman Young replied yes for that one comment. Citizen Linda Bergeron said to humiliate someone in a public meeting was inappropriate and immature and it's not a good idea. Chairman Robie said Ms. Bergeron's comment was out of text. He did say he would do what he had to or what he wanted in that instance and he thought the way she brought this forward was just a small part of the conversation. Chairman Robie asked if there were any other comments. Citizen Al Couch of North Road said he supports Jim's effort to restore the art work to the recycling center. Candia has character and this was part of the character of the recycling center. They all meet at the recycling center and it's an enjoyable place. It didn't make it better removing the art work from the walls. It is not the task of the Selectmen to impose their own will it is the task of the Selectmen to carry forward the will of the people in town. He thought what they have here tells you what the will of the people is. Citizen Gilbert Estey of 409 Raymond Road asked the Selectmen what was their reason for doing this. Selectman Sandler responded that when he got elected he was appointed to the dump. He went over with Carleton and did a tour. He had no experience with the dump in any town, anytime, or any place. His observation at that time was that there was a lot of crap every place. If you look at what was and what there is now, contrary to the article in the Union Leader there has been a lot done and it is continuing. The problem is that they have a new baler coming in and two sides of the walls are coming off for repairs. At some point in time everything will be cleaned and fixed up. He

doesn't see anything going back now; he felt it was too late. One of the good things that came out of it is the picture of Judge Laughlin was returned to his daughter. It was a good call by Chuck retrieving that. Facility Operator Witcher has been working very hard and he has limited help and every time he talks with him he says I should have done this but I just don't have the time. He is trying to help him out and manage him so he can do what needs to be done. He doesn't want to micromanage him. He has talked with Boyd, Scott, and Carleton. Selectman Young said she didn't even know about this until she read the paper. Selectman Sandler said he did tell the Selectmen at one of the meetings that he was thinking removing the toilets and some other stuff. This wasn't anything sinister or malicious, in his mind this is the way he thought they could clean it up and the way it should be done. Mr. Argeriou asked once the walls are repaired and replaced could they start a new collection of art on the walls. He can't see a hazard or harm on metal walls. Selectman Sandler noted that Chuck can't service those pictures and he has to climb up 20 feet to service those pictures. They sit there and get all dusty. In addition, he has to climb 20 to 25 feet to hang those pictures. If in fact they fix the building up the way it should be and you go back, this building is an asset of the community and that is the only thing he is thinking of. Mr. Argeriou said it doesn't hurt an asset, it improves the work space. Chuck has worked ten years to put those art pieces up. It is almost demeaning to him to remove them and give him a sterile work environment. He is a great employee and he loves that art and he loves those flowers. He is going to work harder if his work area is better. Mr. Argeriou said he has had many people under him in his professional jobs and if he gave them a crappy work environment that they didn't like, they wouldn't work as hard for him. It's plain and simple and Chuck is a fabulous asset to the community. Let him have some art; let him repopulate the walls here and there. It doesn't cost us anything. Chronicle did an article on our dump, on the flowers, the flower pots, and the art work. It made television and it was a hit. He was hoping the Board would change their minds. Selectman Sandler replied if and when the center is cleaned up and there are enough people in this town that want to see it redone, he would assume this is a democracy and it could get done at a town meeting or some other place. Mr. Argeriou said it wasn't good democracy to take it down. Selectman Sandler said it was his job. Mr. Argeriou said there are five of you on the Board and he asked the Board to put it to a vote. Chairman Robie said he would like to help clear the air. They have department heads and they have Selectmen liaisons. There has been a lot of talk amongst our Selectmen about department heads and not completing tasks that they've asked them to do throughout our community in the last year or so. They still go along as Candia does and Mr. Sandler as the liaison to Mr. Witcher saw a need to clean that facility. Mr. Argeriou has two hundred and something signatures. The community voted to spend 1.4 million to go from the old site to the new Deer Run Road site. This is a lot of money and he doesn't call it a dump anymore. We have a recycling center now and he looks around at recycling centers in Southern New Hampshire and they are clean and neat and picked up daily. When he drives in there he personally wants to see a commercial building and he thought Mr. Sandler felt that way. It is a commercial building that they paid 1.4 million for. It is the most expensive building in our community. It doesn't have the appearance to some of us that it should. They are still paying for that building. The rodents have gotten into that building so bad they tore the insulation out and the pipes and septic froze. He didn't know if the floors have ever been washed and resealed which was mandated by the contractor that we do. This was seven or eight years ago. He understood that 240 people like to drive down there and look at that. His prospective, and he thought Mr. Sandler's, was that he likes the town hall neat, the Fitts Museum neat, and the school does very good trying to keep their facility up to pare.

There is an investment that the other 3,000 taxpayers have in it. So Mr. Sandler was asked a task and if the department head didn't want to complete the task that his liaison asked him to, he should come back to the Board and the Board could make that decision for Mr. Sandler before they got to this point. This has gotten out of hand and he is not talking to the newspaper about the recycling center before Mr. Whitcher and Mr. Sandler come forward with their displeasure in what they've been asked to do. Mr. Argeriou said he never meant for this to be a contentious point, he wanted to bring forth a snap shot of Candia. He felt that 226 people were about 10% of the voting adults; this is a huge percentage of people that happen to like the dump. You guys as elected officials should listen to the people. If you don't agree with paintings on the wall that harm nothing and just add beauty fine, but your constituents do like it. Please take that into account that huge events and outcomes are based on those big polling companies on far less of a percentage than 10. They usually hit it right on the head. This is Candia and they are asking you as a Select Board to put your personal feelings about art work aside. It doesn't harm anything; it adds beauty to the recycling center. It's just residents that are going to the recycling center. It's the people of Candia that paint the gazebo without wanting any recognition or go to that site and love it. He reiterated to please change their minds. After the work is done let the walls be repopulated (with pictures) and the kids art from the elementary school. This is the stuff that was on the walls, Candia stuff donated from our town. He is sad to see it go and it got his back hair up. Candy Stamatelos of High Street said she was sorry that they found our recycling center in disrepair. You might want to contribute that to past Board members and their micromanaging. They made it very difficult for Chuck to manage things. He had done an excellent job and the place was in beautiful condition for many years. He likes his job he just didn't feel very appreciated and she believed the place showed it unfortunately, because he's not able to manage it the best he can from micromanaging. Citizen Steve Hovater said he has lived in Candia for five years now. Every Saturday morning he and his beagle hop in his truck and go down to the recycling center. For him it is a great place, he has gotten to know Joe and Chuck and the people at the swap shop really well. It is a part of his week and he really missed what has changed here. He sees a large number of people that want to introduce beauty back into the world and a small number of people that want to take beauty out of it. If you ask yourself which side you want to be on, he wants to be on the side that increases the beauty. He understood they had a million dollar investment in a building; great we don't put up a building without doing something to enhance its appearance like paint the building. The bottom line is a lot of people feel strongly about it. He is 59 years old and he has never been to a town meeting in his life and this one issue has gotten him out tonight. Citizen Sharon Dewitt of 60 Highland Street said back in March when this Board started its new term, Selectman Chivers actually said that 60% of the Board had changed and if anything our departments could use is continuity and stability. It takes a long time to understand these departments and how they work and build communication and trust. She believed that Chairman Robie agreed with that when discussing who would be the liaison to the police department. Every year your department liaison could change and you could get unrealistic expectations, given the fact that Carleton said the concrete needed to be sealed and that it was mandated by the contractor. A lot of people that signed this petition thought there were more important things to be addressed than the art work coming off of the walls. In addition, Selectman Sandler said he had talked with Chairman Robie, Selectman Chivers, and Selectman Komisarek. Her understanding was she didn't know if this was in making a decision because the art came down and she has gone through all of the minutes and it was never discussed in a public meeting. She understands that as a department head you have some ability

to manage your department, but you made the comment in the paper and at this meeting that you discussed it with four other members which is clearly a quorum of the Board. Selectman Sandler said he went to each member of the Board individually to get a feel and he did not have a meeting or anything like that. Mrs. Dewitt didn't believe that it was transparent to meet with four members individually and make a decision based on that input. She didn't believe that is being transparent if you are using that as your rationale for your decision. She didn't know what other people thought about that and didn't know the ins and outs of the right to know law, but she has looked up chance meetings and when groups come together. It doesn't say anything about going to each individually, but if she dug further she might be able to find that information. She thought they needed to be careful, they say they are being a transparent Board but they need to be careful that they are being transparent. They are having those side conversations and this was never discussed at a public meeting. They should give their department heads continuity and some stability. She thought this was more of a personal decision than a must happen. You could paint the door of the town hall purple, but just because you can doesn't mean that you should. Citizen Roland Girard of Brown Road said he was involved with the recycling center for many years working with Chuck doing metal recycling. He agreed that commodity prices are down the toilet right now so that is a real issue. He has been working with Chuck for a long time and he is a hard worker and he cares a great deal about the facility. He does the very best he can with the job he has. Having been there many years since this opened up, he will be the first to admit that there is a lot that can be done to improve it. He thought a reasonable compromise would be to work something out with flowers and/or some art work in a designated area where it would be handled properly and make the most sense. He agreed that never having the floor sealed and letting it get dirty and dusty is not the best in terms of appeal or how it looks to people. He felt a reasonable compromise could be worked out. Chairman Robie agreed. Citizen Ingrid Byrd of Depot Road said she has listened to everything that has been said. One of the things she notices is that there are a lot of people who speak very highly of the facility and continue calling it a dump. This is not the terminology that has been encouraged right from the beginning when we moved to the new site. It is a transfer station and if you keep calling it a dump that terminology gets into people's minds and that is what they think of it as. So maybe if you refer to whoever is doing the talking and you refer to that facility as a dump, maybe you need to start thinking of it in terms of a transfer station. The second comment is that the Board members don't seem to discuss everything at a meeting. She has been going to these meetings for 40 something years. There is no way that you could discuss every bit of business you have to do during the week at a twice a month meeting. If anyone expects these five people to come and discuss every little thing they have to deal with at a bi-monthly meeting, you better get here at nine in the morning because they will be here until nine at night and you're not going to want to hear it. The most important things are discussed at the twice a month meeting, but she has faith in these people and they will do the best for us and it doesn't need to be at this twice per month meeting. Citizen Larry Twitchell of Highland Street said he hasn't been able to find email address for our Select Board. They have an email address at town hall. Chairman Robie said he has been advised by the town attorney not to give out personal emails. Mr. Twitchell said he didn't want his personal email; he thought the Board member should have town emails via the website. Chairman Robie said any email he wants to send can be sent through the Selectmen's office. Mr. Twitchell disagreed with that. Selectman Chivers said he didn't know there was that opportunity for a Selectman to get an email address on the server. Chairman Robie said he received an email today from Mrs. Seward, so they can receive emails.

Selectman Chivers said it has to be copied and put in your in box. Mr. Argeriou said they can set it up like a work email. Selectman Chivers said they should look into this. Chairman Robie said Selectman Chivers could look into. Citizen Mike Yeatman of Critchett Road asked about the new baler and when is it scheduled to be delivered. Selectman Sandler said the first or second week of August. Mr. Yeatman asked about re-insulating the walls. Selectman Sandler explained they have to appropriate funds to do that. The wall where the baler is located was hit in an accident and shoved out, so the whole outside of it has to come off. Mr. Yeatman asked if they were re-insulating all the interior of the exterior walls. Selectman Sandler said not all of it just the office parts. They have to take all of the siding off of that side facing the compactors. Mr. Yeatman clarified the removal of the art work wasn't just for upgrades or maintenance it was done for cleanliness and housekeeping as well. There was a two part reason. He noted that Selectman Sandler made his recommendation and that's fine. Chuck was the good employee that has his own internal thinking and followed directions, but what they are seeing tonight is the residents driving who go there on the weekends or weekdays and we're making our point now. For them to come to you in advance to avoid the out of control scenario, that wouldn't have happened because it's not just Chucks and Mr. Sandler's opinion its all of the people in the audience's opinion. He felt like some of the smirks and looks being made were because this is pretty silly and it may be. Is it going to kill the Town of Candia to have that artwork or not; no but it is the passion of what we have and to go there every weekend and enjoy it and it's a little extension of home. He wouldn't have known Jim or John if it wasn't for the dump; he has met many people there. It's a gathering place. They have the ladies that hang out in the swap shop. He would ask the Selectmen who brings their trash to the transfer station on a weekly basis. It was noted that most of the Selectmen use the transfer station. Mr. Argeriou mentioned the baler and when it had the catastrophic failure he was the guy that repaired it. He did it for cost and the town saved about \$1,000. He asked what the plan was for that baler, because that baler still has value. The repair he did was a relatively permanent repair. It's probably made 10,000 bales since he has repaired it. He would try to sell it and get some income for the town. Don't just scrape it; he would think the baler has some value. Granted it's not the greatest, it's not the fastest and it doesn't have the biggest pressure per square inch, but it works and will continue to work. Selectman Chivers said where he was last spring when they were trying to decide if they wanted to buy a new baler. Sean McDaniel of Brown Road said it is a beautiful transfer station and he loves the art work, he was the third one to sign the petition. He asked the Board to please reconsider. He felt this was something the Board made a call on and there was a backlash and he hoped they would reevaluate. He noted if they had pipes that froze and he does electric heat tracing. If it is insulated it will still freeze, it was on average 18 degrees in February and any pipe will freeze in that wall. This is something they should look into. Citizen Joyce Bedard said she signed the petition. Her kids go to the recycling center with her every week and they love Chuck and Joe and they love the art. She heard about this though another community member and everyday her daughter has been reminding her to go to the Selectmen's meeting and try to get the art work back up. It's not just the adults, the kids like the environment. They love going to the swap shop and finding things. This really takes away from the fun and uniqueness of Candia. Citizen Cinnie Griswold of Old Deerfield Road said when the new recycling center was built she brought her father out to see it. He was 100 years old; he was a trustee at the Currier Art Museum. One of the things he liked about it was the art on the walls. When he died a year later, in his honor she gave the town a \$4,000 sweeper for the recycling center. This is how much he liked it and liked the art. Selectman Young wanted full disclosure and art education was her

other major, so she wanted to make it clear that she loves art. She doesn't go to the recycling center, her husband does and she didn't know about this until it hit the newsstands. She didn't think it was too late to compromise. Once they get the repairs done there sounds like there is a lot of interest and they could keep it under control. She has seen art displays that aren't so great and some that are good. So maybe they could compromise and there seems to be a lot of interest to help plant flowers that wouldn't interfere with the professional appearance of the building and Chuck could still get his job done. Hopefully this would be a compromise without a lot of hassle. Chairman Robie felt they've had some positive input and everyone has voiced their opinion. It went very well and very organized this evening and everyone should be commended. He appreciated that very much.

Selectman Sandler moved to adjourn at 8:52 pm. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Andria Hansen, Recording Secretary