APPROVED Candia's Virtual Selectmen's Public Session Minutes

May 9th, 2022, 7:00 pm

Note: Individual roll call has been taken after each motion.

7:00 pm Chair Brock opened the Public Session Meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Chair Brien Brock, Selectmen Patrick Moran, Selectman Russ Dann, Selectman Boyd Chivers, Selectman Sue Young and Town Administrator Andria Hansen.

Approval of Minutes: Public Session Minutes for April 25th, 2022. None noted. MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to accept the April 25th, 2022, Public Session

minutes as presented. Seconded for discussion by Selectman Dann. Discussion Opened, Selectman Dann asked the Board if they were going to talk about the liquor license and he was told that they can talk about it later in the meeting. Discussion ended. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

Department Reports: Highway; Police; Fire; Building; Solid Waste; Budget; Other.

Highway: Road Agent Jeff Wuebbolt read the attached report and gave an update. He was told to let the Board know if the fuel costs are affecting his department in advance. Road Agent Wuebbolt explained that the Severino's went to the Brown Road Pit and excavated the sand for the town's road construction. He stated this project has been completed and now there is over 6,000 yards of sand for them to be able to use for road future construction work.

The Road Agent confirmed that he will be paving Holbrook cemetery this month. He was asked to rake or add gravel to both roads on Donovan Road and Route 27. He stated that if he has money left over at the end of the year, that he would like to pave an apron to Donovan Road. He agreed to shim it in the meantime. The inside radius of the road to the Recycle Center also needs shimming. The Foss Park flagpole area needs loam and grass seed.

Police: Chief Mike McGillen read the attached report and gave an update. He suggested installing a camera by the swap shop for footage on future damage that occurs by vandalism.

The new police cruiser has arrived, and their equipment is being installed. There was a discussion on what they will do with the 2017 police cruiser and the Building Inspectors cruiser. Chair Brock said that he is in favor of giving the Building Inspector the 2017 police cruiser and to get rid of the Building Inspectors current cruiser. Chief McGillen will look into what the Building Inspectors car is worth in order to sell it.

There was a medical emergency at the Town Hall building today and Police Chief McGillen commended Candia's Ambulance on arriving so rapidly. The Town Employees did the right thing, no one panicked, and it was a good working team.

Fire: Selectman Chivers read the attached reports and gave an update.

Building Department: Selectman Moran read the attached report and gave an update.

Solid Waste: Selectman Dann read the attached report and gave an update. The hot water heater burst at the Recycle Center and water leaked causing damage. Primex has been notified concerning insurance coverage and the company performed an inspection of the damage and will be reporting back with their assessment.

Budget: The next Budget Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11th at 7:00pm. Selectman Dann explained the Budget Committee had three requests to report on at their last meeting. 1. Incumbered funds from Highway Department 2. Money for mulch at Moore Park 3. Other projects.

NEW BUSINESS

Candia's Community Women's Club – Food Pantry: Gale Stanley and Lisa Cote from Candia's Community Women's Club came before the board asking to release all funds associated with the Candia Food Pantry and that they will manage it going forward. See attached. MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to approve the release of all funds currently held by the Town of Candia for the benefit of the Candia's Community Women's Club to the Candia's Women's Club and to make checks payable to Candia's Community Women's Club. Seconded by Selectman Moran. Discussion Opened. Selectman Dann mentioned the donations that have been received in the past were always recognized. Lisa Cote confirmed that donations will continue to be acknowledged and recognized and she will forward that information to the Town Office. All checks may continue to be written to Candia's Food Pantry.

Candia's Community Women's Club was acknowledged for the outside clean-up work done on Route 43. Lisa Cote added that they now have a Backpack program to help support the Town with. **All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.**

Consider a Community Power Group: Kevin Coughlin (resident) stated the Recycle & Energy Committee had someone interested in a community power program. He has met with them about forming a committee. They met on May 28th with Ryan Paulson from Standard Power who is the Power Broker and the enabler of this project. They were informed they would need members and to monthly meetings for eight months. Standard Power would be performing the promotional activities and Candia's Facebook would be ideal to spread the message out of what it entails. The goal is to offer power to Candia's residents via a different provider than Eversource and at a better pricing. Standard Power is trying to aggregate more people to receive better buying power leverage in pricing to discounted energy. He explained some of the options available. He asked the Board if the Committee may be formed, and they are planning to attend the next Board meeting and will invite the volunteers.

MOTION: Selectman Young made a motion to approve the forming of a Community Power Group. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

Barn Evaluations: Selectman Chivers explained that the Town of Candia has a program offering residents who own barns and historic outbuildings, a tax abatement on the value of their property, provided that they meet certain conditions. Every year the Town is authorized to monitor the easements to see that the conditions are being met. In the past the Heritage Commission used to assume that responsibility and they would go around every year looking at

these barns to ensure they met the conditions of the easement. However, they have not done this in a few years, therefore the Agricultural Commission has offered to do it. Member Ron Howe has asked to have this item on the agenda and for the Board to approve their appointment as the monitoring agent for the Barn Preservation Easements.

MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to authorize the Agricultural Commission to accept responsibility for monitoring the Barn Easements in Candia. Seconded by Selectman Dann Discussion opened. Chair Brock said that he had asked Town Administrator Hansen to contact Diane Philbrick of the Heritage Commission, because she is the chairperson, however she did not respond back. Selectman Chivers stated they had asked to have that responsibility. Selectman Young said, the Heritage may not if they are not meeting. Chair Brock said that the Heritage Commission has not met in over a year. Selectman Dann said as long as the Agricultural Commission wanted to take it over. Discussion ended. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Moore Park: Selectman Young stated Moore Park has a few events coming up. She believes they are all set with the Farmers Market and wants to make it is clear that if they are to serve any type of liquor, that they have a state liquor license and that the Board approves it. The Food Truck is the same situation, that they need a state liquor license and inspection, and they are required to have their own liability insurance. The policy pertaining to parks states that liquor is not allowed. However, she believes it should be reviewed case by case, and they can make an exception when it is needed. Then she may bring it to the Board for an approval and a motion.

MOTION: Selectman Young made a motion to approve the Candia's Community Women's Club Food Truck Fundraiser. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

CYAA Meet & Greet: Selectman Dann stated that there may be another Meet & Greet Event at the CYAA in October, and stated children should be welcomed to attend with their parents.

Calendar:

• The next Board of Selectmen's meeting is scheduled on Monday, May 23rd @ 7:00 pm.

Payments of payroll and payables. Selectman Chivers confirmed the grand total for payroll and payables for the weeks ending 4/28/22 and 5/05/2022 Totaled \$659,008.20, of which the school received \$500,000.

Public Input: None noted.

7:47pm MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting. Seconded by Selectmen Dann. All in Favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Chandonnet, Recording Secretary