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Candia's Virtual Selectmen's Public Session Minutes
February 13th, 2022, 7:00 pm

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

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

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

Approve Hire – Full-time Officer Scott Camacho: Lieutenant Rick Langlois introduced the Police Department's two new hires, Officer Joshua McAllister who will be working part-time and Officer Scott Camacho who will be working full-time. The Board welcomed both of them.
Motion: Selectmen Dann made a motion to accept Scott Camacho as a new Officer to the Candia Police Department immediately at Grade 6, Step 4, $24.73 hr. Selectmen Chivers seconded. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Approval of Minutes: Public session minutes of January 25th, 2023. Line 29 change to; the Budget Committees, Town Budget meeting format.
Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to accept the January 25th, 2023, Public Session Minutes as amended. Discussion opened: Selectman Dann asked for the wording to be changed to format. Discussion ended. **Selectman Chivers seconded. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).**

<u>**Department Reports**</u>**: Highway; Police; Fire; Building; Solid Waste; Budget; Other**

Road Agent: Jeff Wuebbolt read his report and gave an update. He mentioned that he is getting ready for mud season, and the weight limit posting of roads will be placed in the newspaper when needed.

There was a discussion on the fuel adjustments that were made, in stating it has already started paying out the plowing crew for this quarter, and that it is calculated at the beginning of each quarter. Road Agent Wuebbolt stated fuel wise, that was one of the best things they could have done for the crew.

Selectman Young asked the Road Agent if he had worked on the Langford Road sign yet? Road Agent Wuebbolt said he will complete it soon.

Road Agent Wuebbolt mentioned how will be meeting with Evroks Corporation regarding the Bean Island Road - Bridge Project to find out how much it will cost. He is thinking that this may be a project for next year. They have access to the grant money for the bridges that was given, and the Town will have until year 2032 to use it. He believes that it will most likely be in the form of a warrant article for whatever the grant cannot pay for. He will also have a conversation with Tom Severino so that he can have a second opinion for an estimate.

Chairman Brock asked the Road Agent if he will have an opportunity to look at the New Boston Road Bridge. Road Agent Wuebbolt said when Evroks came they looked at it and was told there are a few things that could be fixed, but Beane Island should take precedence. He said the bridge on Bean Island is in bad shape.

Selectman Dann stated there is a new company moving next to the Recycle Center that have trucks, and mentioned the rotary may need to be looked at. The Road Agent said that this could possibly be an offsite property improvement.

Police Report: Selectman Dann remarked how great it is the Police Department has two new officers. They also have a new electronic speed limit sign in which they are able to move around town. They have new body cameras and are now applying for cameras in their patrol vehicles. He believes Candia's Police Department is moving in a positive direction.

Fire Department: Selectmen Chivers stated there was information missing and to defer their report until next meeting.

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

Solid Waste Department: Selectmen Dann read the report and gave an update.

Budget: Selectmen Dann stated the Candia Municipal Budget Committee, tax impact worksheet was not up to date. Selectman Young said that she would suggest instead of using an average of a $300,000 home, it might be better to make it per $1,000. Discussion ensued.

<u>**Grants & Donations:**</u>
The Town received donations from Raymond Lions Club, 603 4x4 Club, Marilyn Yule and Betty Sabean for the Police, Fire and Welfare Department totaling $1,145.00. See attached.
MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to accept the donations received. Selectman Dann seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

The CVFA (Candia Volunteer Fire Association) received residential donations for the Fire Department, and the funds were used to purchase new apparatus totaling $37,290.50.
MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to accept the donations received for the Fire Department. Selectman Dann seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

On 1/1/2023 the Town received a quarterly Highway Block Grant for $22,910.20. See attached.
MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to accept the quarterly Highway Block Grant in the amount of $22,910.20. Selectman Young seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

NH Snow Slickers request – Snowmobile raffle: Mark Pepper from the NH Snow Slickers was present in stating they are looking to sell raffles tickets to win a snowmobile in 2023/2024. He was told that he would need to come before the Board to receive permission to sell the raffles.
MOTION: Selectman Chivers made a motion to grant the NH Snow Slickers permission to have a raffle and win a snowmobile in 2023/2024. Selectman Young seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

Mr. Pepper announced the Snow Slickers will be having a Winterfest on Saturday, February 18th, 2023, at their Clubhouse in Candia. They will be providing a turkey dinner at no cost to everyone interested. Donations accepted.

Update mileage rate: IRS has issued a 3 cents per mile increase in which began on January 1, 2023, for the new standard mileage rate of 65.5 cents per mile. See attached.
MOTION: Selectman Young made a motion to approve the increase of the mileage rate to 65.5 cents per mile. Selectman Moran seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

Eagle Scout project proposal: Not present.

Calendar:
- **The Town Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20th, 2023 – President's Day**
- **Next Board of Selectman's Meeting on Monday, February 27th, 2023 @ 7:00pm**

   Selectmen Young asked if the Town Offices would be able to post future meetings on Youtube? She mentioned that someone would like to have a copy of a previous recording and she has told them that they would need to come into the Town Hall with a new zip drive, so that we could copy the meeting they are looking for. Selectman Moran explained that they are currently working on different things to figure out the best way to have programmed meetings available for the public. Selectman Young stated she will advise this person that it is currently in process.

   Selectman Young asked the Board if they would agree to have their Board of Selectmen's meetings at an earlier time of 6:30 pm.
MOTION: Selectman Young made a motion to approve changing the Board of Selectmen's meeting start time to 6:30pm effective February 27th, 2023. Selectman Moran seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. (5-0-0)

Public Comment:
Kevin Coughlin (resident) questioned if the grants that were discussed earlier were the ones that were received. He pointed out the Planning had received a grant for NH Housing Authority for $25,000 and Town Administrator stated it is because was not mentioned earlier as check was not been received yet.

Brenda Coughlin (resident) read a letter she submitted to the Board of Selectmen. See attached.

Payments of payroll and payables. Selectman Chivers confirmed the grand total for payroll and payables for the weeks ending 01/26/2023 -02/09/2023 Totals $932,473.41 (includes Primex Annual Insurance Premiums $57,132.50 & February School Payment of $600,000.00)

7:52pm MOTION: Selectman Dann made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Chivers. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Chandonnet, Recording Secretary