

APPROVED
Candia's Virtual Selectmen's Public Session Minutes
March 25, 2024, 6:30 pm

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

6:30 pm Chair Brien Brock opened the Public Session Meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent: Selectman Susan Young

8th Grade Spelling Contest Winner:

Selectman Chivers introduced Drake Biron who is the 8th Grade Spelling Contest Winner. He will now represent Candia's Moore School at the state finals. Selectman Chivers asked the Board to recognize him for his efforts and to wish him well. The Board congratulated him and wished him good luck at the state finals.

Approval of Minutes:

Public session minutes of March 11th, 2024. None noted.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the March 11th, 2024, Public Session Minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Non-Public session minutes of March 11th, 2024. None noted.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the March 11th, 2024, Non-Public Session Minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to seal the March 11th, 2024, Non-Public Session Minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

NEW BUSINESS

Selectman – Chairman, Vice Chairman & Departments to Oversee:

Selectman Chivers nominated Brien Brock as Chairman for another year.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to nominate Brien Brock as Chairman for the next year. Seconded by Selectman Dann. Brien Brock asked if there were any other nominations. None noted. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Selectman Chivers nominated Patrick Moran as Vice Chairman for another year.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to nominate Patrick Moran as Vice Chairman for the next year. Seconded by Selectman Dann. Chair Brock asked if there were any other nominations. None noted. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Selectman Moran suggested keeping the Departments to Oversee list the same as last year and asked if anyone felt it should be changed. None noted. See attached.

Motion: Selectmen Dann made a motion to continue with the same appointees for the next year. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Appointments for Conservation Commission:

Chair Brock read a letter from Chair Judi Lindsey of the Conservation Commission recommending Ron LaVerdure as full-member and will replace April Holmes remaining term until 2026. April Holmes will step down as full-member and become an alternate member ending in 2027.

Motion: Selectmen Moran made a motion to accept the recommendation from Chair Lindsey for Ron LaVerdure as full-member. Seconded by Selectman Chivers All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Chair Brock continued to read the letter from Chair Judi Lindsey recommending Ryan Young, Carol Howe and Leon Austin to continue as full-members and their terms ending in 2027.

Motion: Selectmen Boyd made a motion to accept the recommendations from Chair Lindsey for Ryan Young, Carol Howe and Leon Austin as full-members and term ending in 2027. Seconded by Selectman Moran. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Chair Brock read the letter from Chair Judi Lindsey recommending Dick Snow to continue as an alternate member, and his term ending in 2027.

Motion: Selectmen Boyd made a motion to appoint Dick Snow as an alternate member and term ending in 2027. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

OLD BUSINESS:

Selectman Chivers asked what the plan is for the future Police Station building. Chair Brock said they need to wait until the Safety Facility Committee meets again. He is not going to make any recommendations on only on his word. Selectman Chivers said he has talked to the people that were opposed to it, because the Committee had not considered any alternatives. Chair Brock said they did in the beginning, and the committee said no and this was a vote brought up over 2 years ago.

Selectman Chivers said one idea that came up, was for this Board to appoint a delegation to meet with the Candia School District to determine if the Moore School building is being fully utilized. Chair Brock said the issue with having the Police Department located there is because it would be too close to the school. Selectman Moran said there are certain restrictions listed that are not allowed to be near a school. Selectman Chivers mentioned moving the Town Office Employees to the school and to make the Town Hall the Police Station. Chair Brock said they will have a discussion of their options at their next meeting on April 2nd, 2024 @ 5:00pm. Discussion ensued.

6:49 pm - Selectman Chivers moved to enter into a non-public meeting under RSA 91-A:3, II (a). Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

7:15 pm – Selectman Moran moved to re-enter the public meeting. Seconded by Chair Brock. All were in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Motion: Selectman Moran moved to hire Isabella Schaffer as a full-time officer at a rate of \$24.46 per hour (Grade 6 Step 2) effective immediately. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried on a vote of (4-0-0).

7:17 pm - Selectman Moran made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (4-0-0).

Linda Chandonnet
Recording Secretary