APPROVED

Candia's Virtual Selectmen's Public Session Minutes August 12th, 2024, 6:30 pm

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

6:34 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, Selectman Susan Young and Town Administrator Andria Hansen.

Approval of Minutes: Public session minutes of July 22nd, 2024. None noted.

Motion: Selectmen Dann made a motion to approve the July 22nd, 2024, Public Session Minutes as presented. Selectman Chivers seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Approval of Minutes: Non-Public session minutes of July 29th & 30th, 2024. None noted.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the July 29th & 30th, 2024, Non-Public Session Minutes as presented. Selectman Young seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Approval of Minutes: Non-Public session minutes of August 2nd & 5th, 2024. None noted.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the August 2nd & 5th, 2024, Non-Public Session Minutes as presented. Selectman Dann seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

NEW BUSINESS

Part Time Officer – Rehire: Police Chief McGillen said he is asking the Board to rehire Richard Langlois and to begin working part time starting August 29, 2024. Due to the retirement rules, they are required to wait 28 days in order to hire him back. He will be hired back as a part-time Officer at a pay rate scale of Grade 6, Step 20 @ \$34.98 hr.

Chief McGillen remarked that he would like their two existing part-time Officer Santuccio and Officer McAllister at a pay scale rate of Grade 6, Step 13 @ \$30.44.

Chief McGillen said their new replacement cruiser is currently having all the equipment installed from the damaged cruiser into it. Primex, our insurance company, will be paying for the installation costs. The new cruiser that was encumbered will be arriving sometime in September. He revealed that the cost of the new cruiser went down in price by \$600.

Town Administrator Hansen said the severe winter storm & flooding that occurred in April 2024 has now been declared as a federal disaster. The Town of Candia will be eligible to receive financial assistance that includes the Road Agent for all his work during and after the storm, as well as the Police Cruiser that was totaled when a tree fell on it.

Police Chief McGillen stated they have been very busy and gave an update on what his department has been currently investigating and the active cases they are working on.

The Candia Depot Sign that went missing has been posted on Facebook and Candia's Website and they are hoping they will receive leads from the public to locate it.

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

Road Agent: Road Agent J. Wuebbolt read the reports and gave updates.

Chair Brock said he received a request to place "No Thru Trucking" signs at each end of Crowley Road. The Road Agent agreed to post the signs.

Motion: Selectmen Dann made a motion to approve posting "No Thru Trucking" on both ends of Crowley Road. Selectman Young seconded. Selectman Moran voted no. Motion carried by a vote of (4-1-0).

Selectmen Young asked the Road Agent the status of Donovan Road. Road Agent Wuebbolt said when they are finished with Tower Hill, he plans to go around and touch up all the dirt roads. Selectman Young said that resident Jake Robie wrote them a letter, in stating they should not pave it. She mentioned that her husband Dean Young said they have had paved short roads like that one and that it is put into the budget. Chair Brock said they do not need to put that in his budget, and they can do that. Selectman Young asked the Road Agent if this is something that he can do. Road Agent Wuebbolt explained the benefits of adding an apron and stated that he definitely wants to add an apron on that road. Selectman Young asked if he has something to put down for the rest of the road. Road Agent Wuebbolt said what he would like to do for that part, is to spread actual gravel. Right now, it is like your typical dirt road, and it does not have gravel on it, and it would help a lot if it had crushed gravel. Selectman Young said she is thinking of how many cars use this road, and in what they have done for other roads. Road Agent Wuebbolt said he does not think it would take a lot of work to make it look nice. If they can add an apron and spread gravel that it will help. He is looking to add an apron before winter and indicated that he might have some money left over in his budget. He is planning on doing some ditching work by the horse farm on Currier road with the money from the Moore Fund. Selectman Young asked if they need a petition or anything. Road Agent Wuebbolt and Chair Brock confirmed they do not need a petition to add in an apron or to spread gravel.

Fire Department: Selectman Chivers read the reports.

Firefighter Appointments: The Board received 2 recommendations for appointments to the Candia Fire Department from Fire Chief Young, Heather Mason as an AEMT and Ronald Hanscom as a Firefighter. Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the recommendation of appointment from Fire Chief Young for Heather Mason as an AEMT at Candia's Volunteer Fire Department. Selectman Moran seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to approve the recommendation of appointment from Fire Chief Young for Ronald Hanscom as a Firefighter at Candia's Volunteer Fire Department. Selectman Moran seconded. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Building: Building Inspector Bob Donovan via zoom read the reports and gave updates.

Solid Waste Department: Selectman Dann read the reports and gave updates. He commented that the Recycle Center area looks very nice with flowers and sculptures. Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held on Saturday, September 24th, 2024.

Budget: Selectman Young said the Budget Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 @ 7:00pm.

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Planning Board: Chair Brock said their final draft for Impact Fees will be available for their next Planning Board meeting and they will have the final draft for them.

Impact Fee Zones: Town Administrator Hansen said they want to get rid of the zones so that the Road Agent can use the money. The total for four zones amounts to \$56,156.

Road Agent Wuebbolt said his understanding is that the only reason Candia added zones is because it was in the State RSA that required the zones where the development was actually located. The state has repealed the RSA and now the Town of Candia would like to end the four zones. The reason this subject came up is because at the Planning Board meeting and the committee agreed that it should go to the Selectmen.

Motion: Selectmen Young made a motion to remove the Traffic Zones pertaining to the Impact Fees. Selectman Moran seconded. All in Favor. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

OTHER BUSINESS:

Candia's Farmers Market: The Board received an invitation for one of the Selectman to attend Candia's Farmers Market in September for their Apple Pie Contest and to act as one of the judges. Chair Brock volunteered.

Motion: Selectmen Chivers made a motion to nominate Chair Brock as one of the Judges for the Farmers Market Apple Pie Contest. Selectman Young seconded. All in Favor. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Budget: Town Administrator Hansen said it is that time of year when they need to send out the Budget Memo, and asked the Board when they want to meet. They decided on Friday, September 13th, 2024 @ 9:00am.

Voting: NH State Primary Voting will be held Tuesday, September 10th, 2024, from 6am – 7pm at the CYAA located at 27 Raymond Road, Candia, NH.

Public Input: None

The Board discussed having a public service and party for Police Chief McGillen who will be retiring.

Selectman Dann said he received a copy of a letter that indicates Fire Chief Young is in favor of a new Fire Station and a list of their deficiencies. Town Administrator Hansen clarified that it is from when Selectman Chivers had applied for a Grant from Senator Jeanne Shaheen's office in 2021.

7:19 pm - Selectman Chivers made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All in favor. Motion carried by a vote of (5-0-0).

Linda Chandonnet Recording Secretary