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Candia's Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2013

Attendance: Chairman Joe Duarte, Vice-Chair Richard Snow, Selectman Fred Kelley, Selectman Amanda Soares, Selectman David DePuy, Selectmen's Assistant Cheryl Eastman, and Administrative Assistant Andria Hansen.

The Board to decide on Town Report dedication. Chairman Duarte said the two candidates for the Town Report dedication were Mary Girard and Richard "Stubby" Gilbert. Chairman Duarte felt that Mary Girard was a remarkable woman and would like to dedicate the report to Mary this year and dedicate the report to Stubby next year. Chairman Duarte motioned to dedicate the Town Report to Mary Girard for 2012. Seconded by Selectman Snow. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Duarte to present plaques to the Candia Community Woman's Club and the Swap Shop Volunteers. Chairman Duarte read from the two plaques. He read the swap shop volunteer plaque first. *"The Candia Board of Selectmen and the grateful residents of Candia present this appreciation plaque to The Swap Shop Volunteers. We give our deepest thanks to the volunteers for their selfless contributions of time, effort, and support to the Swap Shop. Thank You!"* He presented the Candia Community Woman's Club plaque to member Linda McHugh. Chairman Duarte read from the plaque *"The Candia Board of Selectmen and the grateful residents of Candia present this appreciation plaque to The Candia Community Woman's Club Volunteers for the great care, time, and dedication given to the Food Pantry. Thank You!"* Candia Community Woman's Club member Linda McHugh thanked the residents of Candia, because the Food Pantry would not be possible without all of the support we get from the Town of Candia. Selectman Soares said a couple of meetings ago Chairman Duarte said that one Selectman doesn't have the power make a decision without the full Board. Chairman Duarte said that was correct. Selectman Soares asked when this decision was made. Chairman Duarte said when it comes to thanking volunteers, he didn't ask for votes he thought everyone would go along with it. In the past they haven't recognized any of the efforts of anyone in the in the community. He asked if Selectman Soares was objecting to it. Selectman Soares said she was objecting to what he was doing, because he wasn't following the rules that he clearly stated for the remainder of this Board. Chairman Duarte called for a vote. Selectman Soares said it was too late he already handed them out. Selectman Snow motioned on the agreement of the plaques to those people who have significantly benefited the Town of Candia – the Swap Shop volunteers and the Candia Community Woman's Club for all of the wonderful things they do. Seconded by Selectman DePuy. Selectman Soares said she didn't have a problem giving these people a plaque, but you didn't bring it to the Board. You didn't follow your own rules, so you can't preach to the rest of us. If you don't follow the rules, the rules don't apply anymore. Chairman Duarte replied yes they do. Selectman Soares stated you just nullified your rule. She wanted him to explain that it's ok for him to break the rules, but everyone else was told they have to follow the rules. She wanted him to explain how this was rational. She felt this wasn't acceptable and not proper behavior. She didn't have a problem giving them a plaque, but he should have brought this to the Board's attention. She felt this was poor behavior on Chairman Duarte's part.

The Board to determine who will move and speak to the warrant articles. Articles #5 - #17 Non-profits: Selectman Snow noted this block of warrant articles appears to be a significant issue for the Deliberative Session this year. The Board of Selectmen have approved each one (#5 - #17) and the Budget Committee approved one the Child Advocacy Center. They should probably talk to Moderator Clark Thyng about this and see what he thinks about it. Normally they have taken all of those and moved them as a block, but this is up to the moderator. He would be more than happy to talk to each one of these. Chairman Duarte said he talked to Moderator Clark Thyng and has not problem with the way they have been doing it. Selectman Kelley noted if the Budget Committee doesn't like one of these (non-profit warrant articles) he hopes that someday they (Budget Committee member) are never in a situation where they need these services. Selectman Soares said she went to the meeting and the Budget Committee didn't recommend these because they didn't have the backup paperwork to make a decision on them. They didn't know what services they provided the Town and what they were asking. She noted Selectman Snow didn't provide this paperwork so they didn't have a good basis for which to make their judgment. They are willing to change their recommendation at the Deliberative Session if necessary. Selectmen's Assistant Eastman said every non-profit sends us a request and a report of what they do. She noted that multiple pages of their reports haven't gone to the Budget Committee since she has been involved. Just the request page went to the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee has never asked in the past to see them before. Selectman Kelley asked what the problem was then. Selectman Snow said he would speak to them as a group or individually. Chairman Duarte said they should move them as a block that's the way they have been doing them for years. Selectman Snow said the moderator runs the meeting and he would be happy to speak to these articles individually. Selectman Snow said he would be prepared to speak to or yield the floor to anyone that comes from these agencies that wants to speak and Selectman Kelley will second. Selectman Kelley said he would like to move these as a block. Selectman Snow said he will move it as a block and see what the moderator says and what the feeling of the Deliberative Session is. Selectman Kelley said move it as a block then he'll second it. **Article #3: Old Smyth Library renovations - BOND:** Selectman Soares will move and speak to this article and Selectman Snow will second. **Article #4 Operating Budget:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #18 Road Reconstruction – Patten Hill Road:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #19 Excess Winter Road Maintenance:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #20 CRF for future Reval of the Town:** Selectman Kelley will move and speak to this article and Selectman DePuy will second. **Article #21 Police Special Details/Grants:** Chairman Duarte will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #22 Police/ Revolving Fund:** Selectman Kelley will move and speak to the article and Selectman Snow will second. **Article #23 Fire Apparatus CRF:** Selectman Kelley will move and speak to this article and Selectman Soares will second. **Article #24 Household Hazardous Waste Day:** Selectman DePuy will move and speak to this article and Selectman Snow will second. **Article #25 Incinerator Site Closure:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Chairman Duarte will second. **Article #26 Master Plan update – phase 1:** Selectman Kelley will move and speak to this article and Selectman Soares will second. **Article #27 New Copier – Selectmen's Office:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman DePuy will second. **Article #28 Smyth Public Library:** Selectman DePuy will move and speak to this article and Selectman Snow will second. **Article #29 Fitts Museum – Operating:** Selectman Soares will move and speak to this article and Selectman Snow will second. **Article #30 Road Reconstruction – Currier Road:** Selectman Snow will move and

speak to this article and Chairman Duarte will second. **Article #31 CYAA funding:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman DePuy will second. **Article #32 Solar exemptions:** Selectman Snow will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #33 Town Clerk office hours:** Selectman Soares will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second. **Article #34 Rescind the Conservation Commission:** Selectman Soares will move and speak to this article and Selectman Kelley will second.

The Board to appoint Joshua Danley as an EMT/Firefighter to the Candia Volunteer Fire Department based on Fire Chief Young's recommendation. Selectman Kelley moved to appoint Joshua Danley as an EMT/Firefighter based on Fire Chief Young's recommendation. Seconded by Selectman Snow. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to authorize payment of payroll checks and accounts payable checks. Chairman Duarte announced the grand total of payroll and accounts payable checks for January 24th and January 31st is \$83,228.75. Selectman Snow motioned to accept the total payroll and accounts payable checks in the amount of \$83,228.75 for January 24th and January 31st. Seconded by Selectman Kelley. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Public meeting minutes of 1/14/13. Selectman Soares said the only change she had is on page 12. She stated a few times (page 12) that the parks and recs budget had \$8,000, but it should have been \$6,000. She stated it correctly the third time in that conversation. Selectman Soares motioned to approve the January 14th, 2013 meeting minutes as amended. Seconded by Chairman Duarte. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Snow noted that the Budget Committee wanted to discuss the fourteen nonprofit warrant articles. They suggested that the non profits should be in the operating budget next year. He thought they should put this down as a note and put them in the operating budget next year. They felt those warrant articles are in the wrong place and they should be part of the operating budget. Selectmen's Assistant Eastman said they could put a health agencies line in the operating budget. Selectman Kelley said this was the first time that he ever heard of this. Selectmen's Assistant Eastman explained you can cut down on warrant articles this way. Selectman Soares said she didn't know how this would fly with the voters; it would be a big increase in the budget line. Selectman Snow noted there are benefits and problems with it. If they put it in the operating budget someone could decrease the operating budget and the amount of those 14 warrant articles. If they wanted to take them out they could come back and fund them later. Selectman Kelley thought Household Hazardous Waste Day should be a part of the Recycling Center's budget next year. They do it every year. Chairman Duarte thought that was a good idea. Selectman Kelley said they are going to give them the money no matter what.

Selectman Kelley motioned to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Selectmen Soares. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Andria Hansen, Recording Secretary