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Candia's Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2016

Attendance: Chairman Boyd Chivers, Vice-Chair Susan Young, Selectman Scott Komisarek, Selectman Russ Dann, Selectman Mark Laliberte, and Administrative Assistant Andria Hansen.

7:00 p.m. Chairman Chivers called the Public Meeting to order and immediately followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Chivers noted that Mr. Lambert of the DOT was unable to attend the meeting this evening and he will be on the agenda for the October 24th Selectmen's meeting.

Department Reports:

Fire: Selectman Dann read from the attached reports.

Moderator Clark Thyng to discuss changing venue for town elections. Moderator Clark Thyng mentioned they had discussed moving the location of the polls at the last election. The reasons for that are obvious. They have not been in compliance with the location they have now for some time. The AG's Office has let us slide every year, because it is the only space they have. One of the problems is the disabled voting booth requires a WiFi connection. The CYAA installed WiFi this year and have full WiFi at their location. He attended their meeting last week and he asked if this is something the CYAA would consider. He was very clear that the Selectmen make the decision on where the elections are held. The CYAA Board of Directors said they would be delighted to have it there and it would not be a problem. He mentioned that Bob Jones is President now and they are trying to find ways to become more accessible to people in Candia. They realize that it is Candia's location and not a select group of people. If this would help they would be more than happy to do it at no cost whatsoever. This is the message he brings to the Selectmen as the Moderator and he felt the Town Clerk would support that as well. He would be happy to answer any questions to see if this is something the Board would like to make a decision on. If the Board decides it is something they want to do, he would intend to have some type of handout at the November elections. They are going to see approximately 75% of their registered voters. The flyers would note that the next election which would be in March will be held at the CYAA. It would be a great opportunity for us to work through the bumps that they can't foresee at this time. Chairman Chivers asked what the complaint was with having the elections at the school. Moderator Clark Thyng replied it is physically too small. The complaint from the AG's Office is the difference from the accuvote and the exit is 6 - 10 feet, so they are a little short there. The difference between that and the next voting booth is supposed to be 10 to 15 feet and they are a little short there. Behind the Clerks table is supposed to be six feet and at the back of that six feet are a row of seats where observers can sit. There is also supposed to be seating behind the Supervisors of Checklist. It is very difficult for us to accommodate that and at the November election they will see that. They have already been petitioned by the Republican Party to have observers at the polls. Selectman Dann asked about the liability of moving it over to the CYAA. Do they need to have insurance to cover over there? Moderator Clark Thyng said since it is a municipal function it would be no different than what they have now. Selectman Dann asked if it was wheelchair accessible. Moderator Clark

Thyng said the CYAA was built to be ADA compliant. Selectman Dann said there will be more walking involved, because they have the parking further down. Moderator Clark Thyng said the parking was equivalent. One of the issues they have at their current location is that they have a lot of poll works that aren't as ambulatory as they might like to be and they have to park in those first 5 or 6 spaces. At this location they can park around the corner from the door and it is actually closer. Selectman Laliberte asked if they have made a decision on electioneering over there. Moderator Clark Thyng said they are 100% in favor of having the election there if it is the Boards choice. He noted this is a private property, so as a private property owner you get to decide if you want a sign on your property. They could make the decision to say they don't want any signs on their property. This is the same thing the town does right now. Or they make a decision to establish a gallery. They were unanimously in favor of allowing folks holding their sign. They have a 10 foot wide gauntlet they do right now and that would continue. They asked if they could box it off in the back, so they don't have people wondering off to the sides of the parking lot. He thought that was a very accomplishable request. Chairman Chivers clarified that they could restrict those signs to a certain party. Moderator Clark Thyng said they probably could, but he didn't think they were going to. Selectman Laliberte said this has been done on private property on other parts of the state and it hasn't been an issue. If it was the first thing we'd do is call the Union Leader. Moderator Clark Thyng said he would like a vote tonight in favor of this, so they can put the wheels in motion. He would like to get things ready to go for handouts at the election. *Selectman Laliberte moved they accept the Moderator's recommendation to move the elections to the CYAA starting with the March 2017 town election. Seconded by Selectman Dann.* Selectman Young said she didn't know they were going to make a decision on this tonight. Moderator Clark Thyng said he was going to wait and start talking about this at the Deliberative Session, but then it dawned on him that the November election is the perfect way to have the most access to the most voters. Selectman Dann asked if they printed a flyer where would the money come from. Moderator Clark Thyng said there is a small amount in the elections budget. Selectman Young asked if they needed a contract. Moderator Clark Thyng said it's just the same as the school and they don't have a contract with the school. Selectman Young replied the town owns the school building, they don't own the CYAA. Moderator Clark Thyng said they do not, but they could choose to have the election wherever they wanted to. They could even have it at the Town Hall, but then they would have to deal with the AG's Office. Selectman Dann asked if he ran this past the state. Moderator Clark Thyng said without the Boards approval there is no sense in doing that. His next step would be calling the AG's Office and ask them to come down and inspect the building and make sure it is appropriate. Selectman Young said she would be willing to give a condition approval. Selectman Dann suggested modifying the motion to say if it meets the states approval then they can move ahead. *Selectman Laliberte withdrew his motion and Selectman Dann withdrew his second. Selectman Laliberte moved to conditionally approve moving the town election in March 2017 from the Moore School to the CYAA subject to all applicable approvals. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Citizen Becky Sarra asked if the WiFi takes care of the need for a hearing impaired phone. Moderator Clark Thyng replied yes and that is the whole reason they needed to have the WiFi. He told Selectman Laliberte he would get back to him on what they AG's Office said. Selectman Dann asked how is this going to affect the Deliberative Session. Moderator Clark Thyng said that is a completely different animal. It's the Board's pleasure on where they want to have it. Selectman Dann said he had a concern if they move things to different places the residents won't know where to go. Moderator Clark

Thyng replied with the turn out they have at the Deliberative Session they could hold it in the Town Hall meeting room. The question came up if it could be held at the CYAA and they could have it there as well. Selectman Dann said if this is something they wanted to do, it would keep things consistent.

Department Reports continued:

Police: Chief McGillen said crime is down compared to last year. They had a reported burglary yesterday on Laliberte Lane. He doesn't have all of the details yet. The resident reported property missing from their home while they were gone for a period of time. If anyone lives in that neck of the woods, they may want to keep eye out. It seems like someone knew this resident was out for a certain period of time. He signed up for a plan to get three tasers; they talked about it at a Selectmen's meeting last year during the budget process. Taser has a program where you can get three new tasers for five years that is the life expectancy and it includes all of the accessories. The total cost is \$1,160 per year for five years. He would like to start getting rid of the older stuff and transition into newer equipment. They are also getting lights and new holsters for the firearms. This will come from the drug forfeiture money. They can improve officer safety with these lights which will be mounted to the gun. A lot of the surrounding agencies have those. Instead of holding a bulky flash light going into a house, they can use the gun. Many times when they clear a house their guns are out. They are also getting a couple of tactical vests and helmets. They are looking at prices and options on that. They don't need them for everybody, but if they have a couple of sets available and they have an incident they'll have some protection. Selectman Dann noted that he has seen a lot of things left on the side of the road. There was a hot water heater left on Chester Turnpike. He would like to see a list of how much of this stuff that is happening. He noted that the officers pick it up if they can or they call Road Agent Lewis. He asked when they have a problem do they do anything to try and educate people. He asked Chief McGillen if they have a problem. He's not asking he spend a lot of time on this. Chief McGillen said it's not a big deal to come up with a list. They do fill out the incident reports. Selectman Dann said he didn't have to go back in history. Maybe the Board doesn't think this is important. Chief McGillen said it comes and it goes. Right now they have had some tires and household trash. Then it will be quiet for a couple of months. Every year it is continuous, it's not like it goes away. Selectman Dann told Road Agent Lewis that he should be paid if he picks up stuff off the side of the road. Road Agent Lewis said he usually doesn't charge for it. If he's out he'll pick stuff up and deposit it at the dump. He leaves a message for Chuck letting him know where it came from. Selectman Dann thanked Road Agent Lewis for doing that.

The Board to approve a Step 2 Matrix increase of 75¢ per hour for Officer John Wasiejko and Officer Shawn Santuccio based on a favorable review. Chairman Chivers moved to grant a 75¢ matrix increase to Officer John Wasiejko and Officer Shawn Santuccio based on a favorable review. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Back up Administrative Assistant for the Police Department: Chief McGillen explained Karen's current back up is moving south. They found another person that retired from Chester Police Department. She has seven years experience working for the Chester PD. Her husband used to work for Candia PD. He felt she would be a good fit. He noted this is just a fill in

position and she has agreed to work at the same price as Annie which is \$13.39 per hour. Selectman Young moved to approve the hire of Linda Pomeroy at a rate of \$13.39 per hour when Annie Flight resigns. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Highway: Road Agent Lewis read from the attached report. Road Agent Lewis explained that next year's patching will be down quite a bit with all of the paving they done on their worst roads.

Fieldstone Lane: Selectman Young asked where they were on that. Road Agent Lewis explained it's just a depression in the road. He knows if he shims it in no one will be happy with the way it looks. In addition it will probably will be plowed out when the winter comes. It does heave a lot and move around. It hasn't been a priority because he doesn't see it as a big problem compared to a lot of their other roads. Fieldstone Lane should be repaved at some point because it is getting pretty broken up. He will do whatever the Board would like him to do. To fix the spot in front of this person's house, they should trim a joint across the road and shim and overlay it. He would hate to do it in front of one person's house when the rest of the road needs repair. Selectman Young said it didn't look to bad to her untrained eye. Road Agent Lewis said he talked to the resident a few years ago when he first brought it up. When the resident first called he told him that he had a sink hole in front of his house. He went down and looked at it. His definition of a sink hole and the resident's was far apart. It's basically some settlement in that side of the road. The pavement isn't broken and they don't patch it. If you went down there this morning he was sure there was a puddle $\frac{3}{4}$ of inch deep in that lane of the road. Most of our roads have that same issue. He needs some direction from the Board on how they want him to proceed. Chairman Chivers asked where Fieldstone Lane was on their list of roads to be repaved. Road Agent Lewis said he prioritizes the roads by how much he patches them and how much they are used. This is how they put them on their list. If you take a road like Diamond Hill which was in extremely poor condition and it hadn't been paved in 25 years. It doesn't service a lot of homes but it was getting to a point where they couldn't plow it anymore. He doesn't see Fieldstone Lane as a real problem road. He asked Selectman Komisarek what he thought since he lives on it. Selectman Komisarek said it would make sense that it was part of the normal plan. Road Agent Lewis said if they were on a twelve year plan it should be repaved. He noted this was a sub-grade issue that has been there since it was paved. After the road was there for a couple of years it started to settle a little bit. There are two or three areas on that road that have done that. They don't patch them and they aren't all broken up. Selectman Young said she would call this gentleman and explain this to him. Chairman Chivers asked if he could at least look at where it fits on our road plan. Road Agent Lewis said with our limited funds it will be awhile.

Parks & Recs: Selectman Komisarek said he had a letter from Karen Steven's who is the Den Leader for the Tiger Scouts. They have a project going that involves bird houses, trees, and plants. They would like to do something at the park. He is going to give her a call tomorrow, but wanted to make sure the Board didn't have any objections. The Board was in agreement with this beautification project. Selectman Komisarek said he sent another email to Mark Gagnon of PSNH about getting an LED light at the skateboard park and hasn't heard anything. He'll send another email tomorrow morning. Chairman Chivers mentioned that Dick Snow mentioned they should spend another \$1,500 next year to replenish the chips on the playground,

but he didn't see it in the parks and recs budget. Chairman Chivers asked if it was under park supplies. Selectman Komisarek said he had every intention of having it in there. After reviewing the budget it was not in there. Selectman Komisarek said he would like to put it in the budget. The parks supply/repair line was increased \$1,500.

Building: Building Inspector Murray read from the attached report. He mentioned they won't be doing any mosquito spraying this year, it's too cold. Selectman Young asked if there was something that is added to the water, because someone on the Budget Committee had asked the question. Building Inspector Murray said they larvicide the swaps and the standing water. Selectman Young said then it is preventative. Building Inspector Murray explained the larvicide is a cocoa butter that leaves a film on the water and the birds and fish can still go through it.

Solid Waste: Selectman Dann said that Household Hazardous Waste Day was held last Saturday. They didn't go over budget. They are waiting for the final figures to come in. He read from the attached department report. He noted the asbestos material that was brought to the dump is going out this Thursday. It will be off the premises at that point.

Budget: Selectman Young said they have a Budget Committee meeting scheduled for October 12th. They are getting some of the reports from the school. She noted the bad news is enrollment is down.

The Board to discuss adjustments to the 2017 proposed budget. Chairman Chivers explained there have been two additions to their budget. One of them is a result of their Transportation subcommittee that he, Selectman Komisarek and Road Agent Lewis serve on. It was recommended that they modify their impact fee ordinance to allow the fees to be spent any place in town. Jack Munn of SNHPC said he would be willing to revise the ordinance and they got an estimate from him which was \$1,800. As the view of their subcommittee this would be an appropriate thing to do. Selectman Young said she was looking at the minutes and she didn't see it anywhere. Chairman Chivers said it would be under town expenses. It was noted this should be under the Planning Board budget. Planning Board Alternate Carleton Robie said the Planning Board discussed this at length last Wednesday night. He didn't know if they wanted to request this or not. Chairman Chivers asked if there was some doubt if they wanted to request this or not. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie replied yes. Selectman Komisarek said the point was made in the meeting with Jack Munn they'll get money back, so they thought it was a wise thing to spend \$1,800 on. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said nobody has ever gotten back any impact fee money in the Town of Candia. He didn't know where the information came from, but it is not true. Selectman Komisarek said his understanding is if you don't use that money in that area for capital improvements, it has to go back. It was his understanding that they just lost out on \$6,000 in revenue. Road Agent Lewis said it may not go back until after December 31st. As far as he knows it is going back to somebody. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said he and Road Agent Lewis discussed this a year ago about spending money on the north side of town on a project. Road Agent Lewis said it had to be a capital improvement project and there was nothing qualified as a capital improvement for that small amount of money. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said that is improving our capital investment. Road Agent Lewis said he did research on that and as far as replacing something it is considered maintenance. Towns have gone to court and lost by doing this. They need to have a capital improvement like an

intersection, something major. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said what is the difference if you improve an intersection or a dip in the road. Road Agent Lewis said he didn't know, he would have to discuss that with an attorney. He agreed with him on this. Selectman Komisarek said that is why they have to return the money. Chairman Chivers pointed out that the \$1,800 is under the consultant expense line. They had three additions to the budget: \$1,800 to modify their impact fee ordinance, \$1,500 for chips for the playground, and a \$10,000 appropriation for the Master Plan. These are the three items that have changed since their meeting in September. Selectman Dann said the other increase was the 1% COLA increase they discussed at the last meeting. Selectman Young asked if they could get rid of the impact fee ordinance increase. It was noted there is a 1% increase in the budget. Chairman Chivers asked Selectman Komisarek if it was his recommendation they spend \$1,500 on chips for the playground. *Selectman Komisarek motioned to add \$1,500 to the parks and recs budget for chips for the playground. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Chairman Chivers asked about the \$1,800 for the impact fee ordinance study. Selectman Young said that was crazy in her opinion. She's not confident about the money they have given SNHPC for the Master Plan. She knows that \$10,000 is almost gone and she has not seen a Master Plan. Selectman Komisarek said he and Chairman Chivers thought that was expensive. Chairman Chivers thought they could do it themselves to save some money. Jack Munn explained that it's not that simple and after that discussion they decided they were going to spend \$1,800 and hopefully that will save us \$6,000 next year and they will keep that money. In other words if they were to make that change last year they wouldn't be giving back \$6,000. So going forward it would be net as long as they are collecting impact fees. Road Agent Lewis said he wished they'd known that it could be written somewhere from the start. They were never made aware all of this could have been made a town wide impact fee. They weren't made aware of that way back when impact fees came in until they questioned it the other night and Jack told them they could change that. It never should have been written the other way in the first place. They should be thinking this is a way to change this once and for all. Selectman Young questioned \$1,800 to change writing. Selectman Komisarek said it is not that cut and dry. There is a lot that goes into it according to Jack. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said there is probably no doubt that this should have been written another way. Next year half of the impact fee is going away because the recycling center will be paid for. They just talked about capital improvement on Currier Road though Mr. Kelly's subdivision. So there is a place up there for a capital improvement and use some money. They could go to the townspeople and ask them in a warrant article of some sort to change our impact fee ordinance. It certainly wouldn't be as difficult as \$1,800 to write it. Chairman Chivers thought that was a good recommendation. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said they have never returned any impact fee money yet. If you don't use it in five years it has to go back to the person that paid it. They have never given any money back and there isn't that much in there. Road Agent Lewis suggested they should explore it on their own for another year and if it is something they can't do in house, then next year put \$1,800 in the budget. He noted the way Jack explained it he didn't think a warrant article would do that, he thought there was more to it. Chairman Chivers clarified they would set aside \$1,800 for SNHPC to do it. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said just write a warrant article to appropriate the money. Selectman Komisarek said he didn't have a problem with the warrant article, but this has to be addressed. *Selectman Young motioned to take the \$1,800 out of the budget for the impact fee ordinance study with the intent to explore the different options. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Chairman Chivers said the last item is \$10,000 that the Planning

Board requested for the Master Plan. Selectman Komisarek said they talked about this and realizing they have some strategic opportunities they felt they should have some money in there to do some planning and analysis. To put together a plan for Exit 3, they thought they should have some money. Selectman Young said she sent Planning Board Chair Sean James an email to see if this was something he wanted us to put in before they go to the Budget Committee and he said yes. She didn't know what their thoughts were or what they discussed at the Planning Board meeting. Chairman Chivers asked what the intent was for the \$10,000, to focus on Exit 3. Selectman Komisarek said it is a priority, but they feel as a Planning Board they should have money to do planning. Every time they go to do something they scrounge around for a grant. They are at a point where costs over the next 10 years will go up. If they don't start looking at ways to increase the revenue, taxes will go up. It's time to plan and look at things. Selectman Dann asked about Exit 3 and do they need to put a warrant article in. Selectman Komisarek said he wanted to discuss that under other business. Selectman Young asked if it needed to be \$10,000 and it was zero before. She asked if they could get by with \$5,000. Selectman Komisarek said the Planning Board came up with this number as a whole and this is what they are requesting. His view is that number is appropriate and it shows a commitment and it doesn't mean they will spend it all next year. If grants are available then they'll get them and they are not going to spend money for the sake of spending money. He knows this seems like a lot of money but in this day in age and the scope of work they are doing it doesn't really go far. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie thought \$10,000 was very reasonable and they need to do some types of planning and feasibility studies on what can bring in revenue to our community. Chairman Chivers asked about Exit 3 and if a commercial realtor would look at the property and tell us what our options are. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said the Planning Board needs to look at it and decide what direction we need to go. They discussed this two years ago, about the Selectmen leading the community and leading the planners. They are going to need revenue in the next 10 years. Selectman Komisarek said he spoke with the Brown Company that is working in Rochester. Their fees are exorbitant, so a town like Candia would never hire them for \$50,000. They will try to figure out how to spend the money, but they will need to do some thoughtful planning and analysis. He noted \$10,000 isn't that much. They have to be committed to this and the time is now. Selectman Laliberte said the reason they do the Master Plan is that they do have a plan for the future of their town and they can move forward and do it smartly, the way they feel is best suited for the town. He felt the \$10,000 was reasonable. He agreed with Selectman Komisarek on this. Selectman Young said she is hesitant because at the budget hearing they heard from several people that are on a fixed income and social security. Selectman Komisarek said this is why they need to spend the money, because taxes will go up for the older people. Selectman Young said this town has spent money on stuff like that before and nothing happens. Chairman Chivers said this will put us \$40,000 over last year's budget; right now they are \$30,000 over. Would this be an appropriate thing to put in as a warrant article and let the town decide if they want to spend the \$10,000 separate and apart from the town budget. You can describe it the way it has been presented this evening. Selectman Komisarek said he would prefer to have it in the budget and the Selectmen acknowledge and recognize the fact that we need to do it. This is the point, they are the leadership and they should be looking at the problems this community is facing. They may or may not be aware of the opportunities that exist and they may or may not be aware that the taxes will go up in Candia if they don't start doing something. Selectman Young said she would support this but she is going to look at the budget in other areas. They've paid \$80,000 for the baler. Our budget isn't just up \$40,000 it's

up \$120,000. People don't realize that. She would agree with the planning and she is all for it. She would like to see what they have done with the first \$10,000, she knows its coming. She will revisit budget and look at other areas. Chairman Chivers said if she is going to cut other area's now is the time to make the recommendation. Selectman Young said the budget is not a done deal and it goes to the Budget Committee. Chairman Chivers asked if there was any support putting this is as a warrant article. Selectman Young thought it should be part of the operating budget. If they are going to make a commitment to plan as a group they should put it in there. Selectman Komisarek believed it was an investment and it was going to pay dividends year after year. Selectman Young wanted something to happen with all of these studies and she felt nothing ever happens. Selectman Laliberte thought there was a will on the leadership throughout the Boards to see things happen that may not have in the past. *Selectman Laliberte moved that they accept the recommendation from the Planning Board and Selectmen's Representative Scott Komisarek and add this new line item. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Citizen Becky Sarra pointed out that ultimately this sits right at the Selectmen's doorstep to make things happen. You are the Board on the top of the pile. Things won't happen unless they make it happen. Selectman Young noted the Board changes every year. Citizen Becky Sarra agreed this is why they need a five year plan so it continues after the Board changes. Selectman Komisarek said they are working on the Master Plan and next year Selectman Laliberte is going to get the Economic Development Committee going through the Select Board. Citizen Becky Sarra said she didn't mean to be skeptical, but she sat in on the last Master Plan and nothing has changed. Selectman Laliberte said he has been waiting for the Master Plan to be finished. He has met with Rockingham Development Corp and he has mentioned some of the things they have been doing. He met with someone who would be more than happy to come to our Board to help with the establishment of an Economic Development Committee. Planning Board Alt. Carleton Robie said he talked to her a year ago and he brought books back on economic development. There was further discussion about the Economic Development Committee.

Selectman Laliberte to discuss conversion to LED street lights. Selectman Laliberte said he contacted Eversource last week after getting a copy of the bill. There are 36 street lights in the town. Unfortunately, there doesn't seem to be an inventory of lights in the building. He is calling Eversource to get a copy of that which will have the locations. The second part is to look at cost and how much it would cost per unit and how long it would take to make their money back. He has done a little research on the lights and the pros and cons. The one con people seem to have is that they don't like the cool light that comes from it and with sodium lights it's a warm light. Other than that people seem happy with the LED lights. When he gets more information he will send a memo to the office and the Board. Citizen Tom St. Martin mentioned that LED's are basically strobe lights and in the park it could be an issue for the skaters. He might want to check if it is ok for high speed activities. Selectman Laliberte said when he talks with them he is going to ask what the concerns are in other communities are.

The Board to approve a request for funds from the Fire Suppression Capital Reserve Fund to reimburse the town for a Firematic Supply Co. Inc. and Jordan Lumber invoice in the amount of \$3,806.00. Chairman Chivers read from the invoice request: Firematic Supply Co. in the amount of \$1,180; Jordan Lumber Co. in the amount of \$730; and Firematic Supply Co. in the amount of \$1,896. The total amount requested is \$3,806. Selectman Dann moved to approve

the request for funds from the Water Supply Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$3,806. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes from the previous meeting – September 17th & September 26th, 2016. Selectman Young moved to approve the September 17th, 2016 Selectmen's Public Meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Dann moved to approve the September 26th, 2016 Selectmen's Public Meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to approve payroll and accounts payable manifest. Selectman Laliberte announced the grand total for accounts payable and payroll checks for October 6th and October 13th was \$731,997.23. Selectman Dann moved to approve the accounts payable and payroll checks for October 6th and October 13th in the amount of \$731,997.23. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Other Business

Warrant Article – Exit 3: Selectman Komisarek wanted to be clear who would be writing this warrant article. He understood it was the Selectmen's responsibility. Chairman Chivers asked what the purpose of the warrant article was. Selectman Komisarek said as people know if they were to sell that property that land could only be used for a 40,000 square foot grocery store. What they would like is to remove that restriction. Chairman Chivers asked if it would be replaced with another restriction. Selectman Komisarek said he didn't think so, they have zoning in place. He didn't think they needed that restriction on it. He thought they need to be proactive with this before they starting getting hodge podge things happening there. Chairman Chivers said it is his understanding that the \$10,000 they are spending on this study is going to inform us what the highest and best use of that land is. After the study is complete then they could probably craft this warrant article. He felt this warrant article is premature. Selectman Laliberte disagreed, unless they know for a fact that the highest and best use is going to be a 40,000 grocery store he doesn't see the harm in removing the restrictions on it. It clears the decks and whatever comes out of the report then they can move forward with. As far as the warrant article wording he thought they were rescinding prior town meeting votes. It's not saying they should make it "x" or "y" they are taking away the restriction that exists right now so there is no restriction. Chairman Chivers clarified you want to rescind prior town meeting votes and replace it with nothing. Selectman Dann asked if it would restrict the zoning. Selectman Laliberte said they aren't rescinding the zoning they are rescinding town meeting votes. Selectman Young asked if they should wait and see what comes in for development proposals. Chairman Chivers felt the town would never vote for something like this, a blanket authority to sell it and put a paintball park in there. Citizen Carleton Robie said the Selectmen still need authority to sell that property without going back to the town and saying they are going to put a paintball park in. They just need the overall authority so if someone comes in with a proposal after the feasibility study is done; you'll need the authority to sell it to them. Road Agent Lewis said if you give them \$10,000 to do a study they aren't going to know what to study because the only thing we can do is a 40,000 square foot grocery store. Whoever is going to do that job has to know they can explore all avenues. Chairman Chivers said he would work with Atty. Mayer and will come back to the next Selectmen's meeting with a draft warrant article that removes all of the

restrictions on the sale of that property and gives to the Selectmen the authority to sell that property under whatever conditions they set forth. Citizen Carlton Robie said if someone came in with a plan to the Planning Board the Selectmen probably ought to go along with it.

Meeting room set up: Selectman Komisarek said he thought it was a good idea to try the new meeting room set up. He mentioned the Planning Board has seven members and the way it is set up now makes it difficult to speak with other Board members especially if they are at the other end of the table. He would like to move it back to the way it was and if they need amplification that's fine or people need to move towards the front. He felt they lost the sense of the Board. Tom St. Martin said he likes this set up better, because he is closer to the Board. Selectman Laliberte said he likes it this way but he is not wedded to one way. It was decided to move the meeting room back to the original set up.

November 8th Election: Selectman Laliberte said he would send out a spread sheet for Election Day coverage. The Moderator would like to see as much time covered as possible.

Tom St Martin running for State Representative. Tom St. Martin noted he is the only candidate running in this district. He has served before as a State Representative. He is also a Veteran. He considers a State Representative as a powerful resource when dealing with town issues. There are four representatives that they can talk with. He knows they can use NHMA but they are kind of general. Last week he attended the Community Information Session on opioids. When he talked with Selectman Laliberte he informed him the Board had a similar one this summer. This is a significant issue. They have 5 people dying every four days. He noted there weren't that many people at the school meeting. He mentioned some of the state resources can be integrated. There is a group called New Futures that has done a study and they have a five point plan which integrates state resources. He applauds the efforts at a local level, but there are state level things that can be integrated into that. He hasn't been to that many Selectmen's meetings recently, but he thought the Board was fun to watch. You disagree but there is no contention. He has seen Select Boards where things get testy. As a citizen in this Town he recently saw Chief McGillen and Corporal Gray at the school as a community resource. He applauded them for that.

Impact fees continued: Citizen Carleton Robie asked if they were using the impact fees to make improvements at the Transfer Station. If they're not they ought to be. If they are not using the money to make a capital improvement they are going to send it back. Somebody should be on this and they ought to figure out the highway side. If they wrote that impact fee ordinance something isn't making sense here. Road Agent Lewis said they spoke with Jack about writing it so it's not so restrictive on the capital improvement side of it. He said they couldn't change that. Citizen Carleton Robie said there are numerous things they could do that the Transfer Station to improve it. Chairman Chivers asked Selectman Dann to look into that to see if there is a project.

Chief McGillen said he had a resident approached him about smoking at the skate park. The resident thought there should be a rule. Selectman Komisarek moved to adopt prohibiting smoking at the skate park. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.