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Candia's Selectmen's Public Meeting Minutes
December 5, 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.

Department Reports:

Fire: Selectman Dann read from the attached report.

Police: Chairman Chivers read from the attached report.

Highway: Road Agent Lewis read from the attached report. He paved the cement part of Old Manchester Road. It's a low volume road but it is in very poor shape. Selectman Laliberte asked if he has gotten his none winter work done for the season. Road Agent Lewis said pretty much, but he would like to do some gravel work on Tower Hill Road. He was holding off making sure he doesn't need the money anywhere else. He will probably do this next week or the week after, weather pending. Chairman Chivers asked if they are all done mowing. Road Agent Lewis said he didn't know if the guy was done or not, he'll ask him. He thought he still had a couple of area's left to do.

Parks & Rec: Chairman Chivers asked if the bathrooms at Moore Park were winterized. Building Inspector Murray said it was taken care of.

Building: Building Inspector Murray read from the attached report.

Solid Waste: Selectman Dann read from the attached report. He noted they generated \$3,853 in October. This is what goes out every month; some of it is accumulated over the months. The revenues each month can change. He mentioned that he had a request from the Moore School 8th Grade class to do a fundraiser at the Recycling Center. It would be set off to the side and the parents will be there. It is for their class trip. They will be selling baked goods. He wanted to let the Board know this was going to happen. Selectman Komisarek asked if it would be a liability issue. Selectman Dann reiterated that the parents will be there and no child (of a certain age) can be on the premises without a parent. It's noted in the Solid Waste Ordinance.

Budget: Selectman Young said it has been going fine and they will be meeting with the SAU and School Board on December 7th. They will either vote on their budget that evening or on December 8th. The public hearing for the Town budget will be on December 14th and if needed December 15th. There was some discussion about the meeting location.

Police continued: Chief McGillen noted there were a couple of burglaries. They had one last month and one going on right now. They put out a Nixel alert, it happened on Crowley Road

between one o'clock and five o'clock. There are multiple towns working on this. If resident's see any suspicious vehicles or someone asking to shovel your drive way give the Police Department a call. There was a guy who walked into a house in Auburn and the resident was home. This guy was in the foyer and the resident told him to get out. The resident didn't get a plate number. It was a tan sedan and they think it was connected to the Crowley Road burglary. Selectman Young asked about a scam where a person is dressed up like a UPS Delivery guy and there are other people with them. Chief McGillen said that hasn't been happening here, but it has in other places. He explained what has been happening close by is people follow UPS or FedEx drivers who leave the packages at door step and then the person goes up and grabs it.

The Board to discuss changing the reporting period for Primex from fiscal to calendar year. Chairman Chivers explained currently they are on a fiscal year. Accounting and Payroll Clerk Donna Becker would like to switch it to a calendar year. This way they can budget for it. Right now they don't know what their premium is going to be until the middle of the year. They have already prepaid the premium through June 30th 2017. If they do this it will result in an \$18,000 deduction in the premium they have budgeted for already. However it will go back up next year to \$36,000. Selectman Young moved to change the reporting period for Primex from a fiscal year to a calendar year. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to consider warrant articles for approval and placement on the Town Warrant.

Are you in favor of Article 2 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an **operating budget**, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **\$2,542,012** Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$2,386,690**, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Candia or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. *Chairman Chivers explained the \$2,542,012 number is now incorrect, because they need to deduct \$18,000 from it. He also wants to check with Accounting and Payroll Clerk Donna Becker to see if she has adjusted the health insurance to reflect what the employee's enrollment status is now and what the Town's exposure is going to be on the health insurance. He would like postpone consideration of this warrant article until we can correct the number. Selectman Young clarified that it is tabled until December 12th.*

Are you in favor of Article 3 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven Dollars (**\$6,807**) in support of the **Rockingham County Community Action**. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 3 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann for discussion. He wanted to know how they came up with this figure. Chairman Chivers said each one of these charities send us a letter every year and they ask for what they feel is an appropriate number. Historically the Board approves the nonprofit warrant articles. Chairman Chivers called for a vote. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 4 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (**\$4,000**) in continuation of its support of the **Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire**. *Selectman Dann motioned to move Article 4 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 5 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (**\$3,250**) in continuation of its support of the **American Red Cross**. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 5 to the warrant. Seconded by Chairman Chivers. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 6 as follows:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars (**\$1,854**) in continuation of its support of the **Lamprey Health Care**. *Selectman Komisarek motioned to move Article 6 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 7 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (**\$1,250**) in continuation of its support of the **Child Advocacy Center**. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 7 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 8 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (**\$1,000**) in continuation of its support of **Big Brother/Big Sister**. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 8 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 9 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (**\$1,000**) in support of the **Home Health and Hospice Care**. *Selectman Dann motioned to move Article 9 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 10 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (**\$1,000**) in continuation of its support of the **Rockingham County Nutrition and Meals on Wheels Program**. *Selectman Young motioned to moved Article 10 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Laliberte noted that this article has gone up from \$926 last year to \$1,000 this year.*

Are you in favor of Article 11 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (**\$700**) in continuation of its support of the **Aids Response Seacoast**. *Selectman Dann motioned to move Article 11 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 12 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (**\$500**) in continuation of its support of the **CASA** (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children). *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 12 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 13 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (**\$225**) in continuation of its support of the **Retired and Senior Volunteer Program**. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 13 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 14 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (**\$200**) in support of the **Southeast Watershed Alliance**. *It was noted that this warrant article was moved to the warrant at the November 28th Selectmen's meeting.*

Are you in favor of Article 15 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (**\$100**) in support of the **Lamprey River Advisory Committee**. *It was noted that this warrant article was moved to the warrant at the November 28th Selectmen's meeting.*

Are you in favor of Article 16 as follows:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (**\$3,500**) to be placed in the existing **Smyth Memorial Building Fund**. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 16 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte.* Selectman Dann said he had some questions on this warrant article. Selectman Dann said he went to the Smyth Memorial Library Trustee meeting in the spring and he asked them how long they were going to do this. They told him they have a 10 year plan. They have not come forward with any recommendation on what to use that building for. This Board might not be here in 10 years and the Trustees might not be there in 10 years. He is trying to find out what they are putting the money away for. It is a beautiful building and they have put new windows in which is in their operating budget. He didn't know what they are using that building for and it is going to sit there for another 10 years. They have to move forward, this is like the piece of property at Exit 3. It sits there and we get nothing for it. Smyth Memorial Building Trustee Carleton Robie said the Select Board and the Trustees might not be here in 10 years but he was pretty sure the building would be. It would be helpful if there is a Trust Fund with \$35,000 in it for the next group of people to maintain it and keep its integrity for our Town. He thought the warrant article should go on the ballot and let the people decide. Selectman Dann said does that mean the building should be sitting vacant for another 10 years. This is what bothers him; it is a beautiful building that should be used for something. They have to move forward and get some type of use for that building. Trustee Robie said when the time is right for our community and our community needs the building they will find a use. Selectman Dann said there are some people that might want to use it today. The

Garden Club asked to use and they have given them permission to use it. Otherwise that building is just sitting there not being used. Trustee Carleton Robie said there are a lot things sitting there not being used. Selectman Dann replied they are responsible for Town owned property. Selectman Young noted what Selectman Dann says echo's other peoples comments that she's heard and from the Budget Committee. She thought the point was letting the voters decide for what they want with the warrant articles. She thought that some of this might be addressed at the budget meeting on December 14th. She wasn't sure Trustee Chair Carla Penfield thought it was necessary for her or her Committee members to be here. She felt that Selectman Dann was not alone in asking questions about this. It is a valid question that she can't answer. Trustee Carleton Robie clarified he is a member of the Smyth Memorial Building Trustees. Chairman Chivers said Selectman Dann can express his opposition by voting against this. Selectman Dann said he wants that building to be used. Chairman Chivers felt they were maintaining the integrity of the building to preserve their options for the future. Selectman Dann said it's to preserve the integrity of the building, they have their working budget to do that. Chairman Chivers explained if they need a big capital improvement this will pay for it. Selectman Young said they have to do that. Selectman Dann said they have to do that but for what reason, until they come up with an idea there is no plan. Selectman Komisarek thought if the solution was obvious the Committee would have come up with it. Everybody agrees that it is a wonderful building. It's a historic and beautiful building and it means a lot to the Town. He did think it was something that was not going to the private sector. If the answer was easy someone would have come up with it. Selectman Dann said it has been fourteen years and now another ten years of a building sitting there not being used. Selectman Laliberte said to be fair there was an effort to try to get a use out of that and it was brought to the voter's attention and it went down pretty substantially. That was the Senior Center idea in 2011. He felt this was the off shoot from that. He is as frustrated as Selectman Dann is, but unit that time comes they do have to maintain it.. He noted that he was one of the three (on the Budget Committee) that voted against this last year which was a 5 to 3 vote. He is still not a hundred percent sold on the need for this, but it has been established. He does think the voters who approved it last year should have a chance to vote on it this year. Selectman Young felt the same way, but it is like anyone that buys an old house or building. You have to put a little bit in as you can afford it and you improve it and get it up to as livable or usable condition. Then you either move into to it or if it is a public building use it for public use. She thought they would need two big ticket items which are the septic and the well. The Mason just spent \$9,000 to get a drop of water out of their well. These are two big ticket items that she believed that the needed to be able to let other groups use it. Trustee Carleton Robie said that is the idea of the fund. Chairman Chivers said you brought up a good point and as Selectman Komisarek pointed out if there was an obvious use for that they would be using it. Selectman Dann said this past spring when they had the Community meeting there was a group that wanted a Community Center and the Trustee shot it down. There are people out there wanting to do something. Selectman Young said it takes money. Selectman Dann pointed out that it is currently being used by the Trustees. Selectman Young motioned to move Article 16 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. Chairman Chivers, Selectman Young, Selectman Komisarek, Selectman Laliberte were in favor and Selectman Dann was opposed. Motion carried on a vote of 4 to 1.

Are you in favor of Article 17 as follows:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (**\$2,500**) to be placed in the existing **Town Office Building Maintenance Fund**. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. *Selectman Dann motioned to move Article 17 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 18 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (**\$20,000**) to be placed in the existing **Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund** for the Future Revaluation of the municipality. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. *Selectman Laliberte motioned to move Article 18 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 19 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (**\$4,000**) for the operation and maintenance of the **Fits Museum**. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Fits Museum. (Requested by the Trustees of the Fits Museum). *Chairman Chivers motioned to move Article 19 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 20 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (**\$100,000**) for excess **winter road maintenance**, these funds will not be used unless the operating winter maintenance funds are exhausted. This will be non-transferable appropriation. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 20 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 21 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (**\$150,000**) for the final phase of Chester Turnpike. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Submitted by the Road Agent). *Selectman Laliberte motioned to move Article 21 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Young. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Chairman Chivers asked Road Agent Lewis if this was enough money to finish that job. Road Agent Lewis explained he has to top coat the last two years and shim and overlay the rest of Old Candia Road. He has some culvert work on the older part. There should be enough there unless asphalt prices change dramatically but he didn't see that happening.

Are you in favor of Article 22 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (**\$50,000**) to be deposited in the **Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund**, established under RSA 35:1 at the March 1991 Town Meeting, for the future purchase of the fire apparatus and equipment with the Selectmen appointed as agents. *Selectman Laliberte motioned to move Article 22 to the warrant. Seconded by Chairman Chivers,. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 24 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars (\$125,157) for the operating expenses of the **Smyth Public Library**. Funds are to be expended under the direction of the Smyth Public Library Association. (Submitted by the Smyth Public Library Trustees). *Selectman Young motioned to move Article 24 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Are you in favor of Article 25 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven thousand dollars (**\$37,000**) for the implementation of a **mosquito control program** designed to reduce the risk of exposure to mosquito-borne diseases such as Zika, EEE and West Nile Virus. Selectman Laliberte asked Building Inspector Murray how it went this year. Building Inspector Murray said it went really well, they didn't have many water. They didn't have to do any spraying and they didn't have any cases of EEE anywhere in the State. There was one case of West Nile Virus in Nashua. The drought certainly helped this year. Chairman Chivers noted this is a hard one for him to endorse. They do spray around the ball park , the school, and the field which is included in this number. Building Inspector Murray said it seems pretty popular with the voters. *Selectman Laliberte motioned to move Article 25 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

Fire Chief Young and Lieutenant John Seidner arrived at the meeting.

Are you in favor of Article 23 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of providing for major capital investments in the building infrastructure and grounds to keep the building and property sound, functional and safe well into the future. Further, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (**\$50,000**) to be deposited in said fund with the Selectmen appointed as agents. Fire Chief Young said three or four months ago the Board asked him if he was going to have any major expenses and he said no. He apologized for that. A lot of stuff has happened in the meantime. He had a long discussion with Selectman Dann yesterday. He explained to him what they are looking at. Lt. Seidner came before the Board about a month ago to explain the situation with the ambulance and the ramifications that might come down the pike. There happens to be a person on his department that knows the Chief and one of the District Chief's in Manchester. He didn't want to mention names. The question was posed to both of them about the direction we are going and they both said they are going in that direction. He explained for the people that didn't know what they were talking about, there is a chance that Manchester Fire will take over the ambulance service in the City of Manchester and AMR will probably go away if that happens. AMR is their contracted ambulance for the Town of Candia. If they go to Manchester they will leave them. So they need to make some provisions for the future. When the Chief in Manchester accepted the job, his number one priority was to get the ambulance service under the roof of the Fire Department in Manchester. They are contracted with AMR right now. AMR pays the City of Manchester to be their ambulance service. This isn't going to happen overnight. When this happens they are kind of left out in the cold because there really aren't any good options. He thought Lt. Seidner could jump in and explain how this all came about. Before they get into an ambulance they have to find a place to put it, so Lt. Seidner has been working on this.

Lt. Seidner said there are a variety of reasons of why they need to house an ambulance. It's got invaluable equipment in it and thousands of dollars of medication that have be in a conditioned space and kept warm. There currently isn't any space the fire house right now and you can't put a tanker outside in the winter. They are looking at the most cost effective approach which would be putting one more bay on the side of the fire house. They figured out a configuration that worked beautifully in size. It keeps us off the setbacks for the property and allows us to expand in the future with respect to the size of trucks. Right now when they buy new trucks they are customized short to fit in the fire house. They put the bay up high enough in the new addition, so if they got a new fire truck it would fit and they wouldn't have to pay extra money. Also for the benefit if they have mutual aid companies at their station they would have a place to put their trucks. There will be space in back for other necessities such as bunk rooms, showers, storage rooms and supplies. They started getting numbers on this and it went from a quick and easy little project to a jaw dropper. Even with limiting the scale and scope of adding on o an existing building and you take care of the details that need to be taken care of you're looking in the area of \$250,000. They are going to shave some of that off by getting some people to help them out. If they went out right now and hired a contractor to do this that is what it would cost. The goal of the fund is to put money away then they will be able to use that money over time and work themselves in to that building. So they will put up a shell, get it weather tight that will shed water and has heat in it. Later on they will worry about getting showers and things like that. There are upgrades that will have to happen in the future like the septic and the well may not hold out and that will need to be replaced. Chairman Chivers asked if this warrant article gave them enough flexibility to do all of those things even look at another site if they had to. Is this flexible enough that it gives you some options. Lt. Seidner said he reading is that ties them into this site. Chairman Chivers asked if they are satisfied with that. Fire Chief Young said they have talked about that and there has been a lot of discussion on this. You have to believe him that he doesn't want to spend money more than anyone else. This is hard for him to do. This is why they are going to ask for a little at a time. If this happens tomorrow and AMR goes away then they will deal with that when the time comes. He doesn't think it was going to happen overnight. It is going to happen it's just when. This is a way of starting out. They talked about a new building, but he said no. An addition on that building will buy us twenty to twenty five years. Lt. Seidner said to build a new building you would have to add a zero to the amount they were talking about. Chairman Chivers asked if a five year time table is what we can expect to last with AMR. Fire Chief Young said if push comes to shove they'll have to look at it and maybe come up with some more money and an accelerated plan. They didn't want to lose another year. That is why when the Board asked him if he was going to have any major expenditures he said no because this was in its infancy. In times past they would just get together and build an addition in a weekend. You just can't do that now a days. Not that when they do this they won't work on it themselves, but they can't look at it that way. This is a start for 2017's budget and it's tough because people are asking for more money this year. They are looking at 400 calls this year and 300 of them are medical calls. The problem is when someone calls for a medical problem they just can't not go. You need an ambulance. They've have ambulances around us and they've looked at that. Hooksett is probably going to move away from ambulances, because of their feelings over there. Derry is too far away. If it worked out, he is never going to say they can do it and make money. If they could pick up another town or something they could at least break even. The building value is always going to be there and it will always be a nice building in the center of town. Someday if they build another building that

one won't go away. Chairman Chivers asked if this warrant article was adequate and flexible enough. Selectman Young said she just did some rough math and the reason Fire Chief Young hadn't asked for anything was because what he thought was a rumor is now more factual. She asked if this was going to give them enough money if something happens next year. Selectman Laliberte asked if this was something they had to do in 2017 they said \$250,000 and he didn't think that would do it. The thing is they need to be talking about this if AMR goes away and they don't have ambulance service what do they need. Lt Seidner said if they got blindsided by that and it was an emergency and they were getting desperate, they would buy an ambulance, get a lease agreement and find someone's garage to put it in. Selectman Young said they could hold a special meeting.. Fire Chief Young said they would cross that bridge when they got to it. Selectman Laliberte said this is something that could bite us if we are not prepared for it. He knows this is an option, but didn't know if it was the option. He would like to know how much it would take to get them up and running independent of Manchester when that time comes. Chairman Chivers said it is going to cost \$250,000. Selectman Komisarek said plus the ambulance. Selectman Laliberte clarified the \$250,000 is just for the building not including the ambulance. Fire Chief Young said that Lt. Seidner can explained how they want to lead into this and have a little bit of lead time with a used ambulance and hoping AMR would still be there, so they could get their feet wet and as a backup ambulance and maybe a second ambulance they would use ours. They will still use their service as long as they are willing to contract with us. This is the thing everyone has to remember the Town of Candia ha paid zero money for ambulance service for quite a few years. The Town of Auburn pays Derry upwards of \$60,000 or \$70,000. Lt. Seidner said plus dispatch they are at \$130,000. Fire Chief Young said not that they've been saving that much, but they have done pretty good. They aren't looking for 24 hour a day staffing in the beginning. Lt. Seidner added they are going to staff it the way it is staffed now they are just going to be driving an ambulance in addition. There shouldn't be any additional costs. You have to keep in mind there is a handful of people who are experienced with professional services, but most of them are volunteers in Candia and they have never driven an ambulance or operated one. They have to get into this a year or two ahead of time so they can get their feet wet. They don't want to learn how to do this on the fly when the contract gets cancelled. Selectman Dann said part of this proposal is letting the Townspeople know the predicament they could get into. They have to be educating the Townspeople it is really important for the citizens of Candia. He asked if they should increase this a little bit. Chairman Chivers said this is what Mrs. Sarra said at their last meeting. They have all of these warrant articles they have to do something to promote them. Fire Chief Young thought they were comfortable with that amount right now. He knows the Townspeople would support them if something bad happened. If they needed to get some money he thought they could do something. They'll start with this and if next year they need a little more they'll increase it. There is a lot being spent and a lot being asked for this year. He doesn't even want to ask for this and it is really tough for him. Selectman Young noted the Fire Department has gone up \$5,000 since he has taken over six or seven years ago, this isn't unreasonable. Selectman Laliberte said this is immaterial because the fact is if they need an ambulance and EMT service in Town they better be planning for it now. Selectman Young asked if it was logical to raise the apparatus fund to accommodate at least the ambulance. So within the year if AMR does pull out you can start getting training. Fire Chief Young said they have money in there already. He thought they had about \$125,000 in that fund. There was some discussion about the apparatus fund. It was noted that a used, well furbished ambulance can be purchased for \$125,000.

Selectman Dann said the unit they have right now cannot transport someone. Lt. Seidner said it has seven compartments and only one of them has medical gear in it. All of the others are rescue gear. It is an essential piece of apparatus for almost everything they do. Selectman Dann said they need to get the word out to the citizens that they do not have an ambulance. *Selectman Dann motioned to move Article 23 to the warrant. Seconded by Selectman Laliberte. All were in favor. Motion carried.* Resident Joyce Bedard thought the Town had an ambulance, so what are they going to do about all of the people who thought they had an ambulance and they see this warrant article and say we already have one. Who is going to educate all of the people? Fire Chief Young said this warrant article is to add on to the building, because they don't have a place to put an ambulance. Resident Joyce Bedard asked where the apparatus is kept now. Lt. Seidner said it is in the station. Resident Joyce Bedard asked what if the Average Joe citizen reads this and thinks why do they need to expand the building if the ambulance fits in there. Lt. Seidner said part of the education will be discussion of why they need to expand the station. Resident Joyce Bedard asked if that would be included in the warrant article. She is concerned this won't pass if people don't know about this. Lt. Seidner said they will have information at the Deliberative Session and the packets handed out by the Boy Scouts. Resident Joyce Bedard asked if people read the Boy Scout packets. Resident Becky Sarra thought it was a valid point and communication is critical with anything. She felt the flyer should be visually appealing to get people's attention. She didn't know how to get information out other than that, because those packets hit every house. Talking about it at Deliberative is not going to get through to the people in town. Selectman Dann said an ambulance is for transporting and with the unit they have now they can't transport. So they need to get that across to people. Resident Becky Sarra suggested that the Fire Department have open houses. Lt. Seidner said they had one on Old Home Day and they had one person show up. Selectman Dann said if something doesn't work once they have to come back sometimes. Fire Chief Young said one of the advantages they do have is that they have 30 Candia residents on the department which helps get the word out. Resident Becky Sarra suggested using the school to get the word out.

The Board to consider warrant article options for a Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund. Chairman Chivers explained in 1993 the Town opted for Article 29 as amended. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be used for the design, engineering, reconstruction or construction of solid waste disposal equipment at the Recycling Center said funds are to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purposes noted." This warrant article was adopted. They've had \$5,000 to spend in this Capital Reserve Fund since 1993 and it is limited to the design, engineering, reconstruction or construction of solid waste disposal equipment at the Recycling Center. It doesn't help us for buying a new loader unless we are going to build one. He has asked Atty. Mayer about how they are going to transfer the money from this restricted use and how they can use it at the new recycling center. The \$5,000 is now \$8,000. He has been working with Selectman Dann on this and Selectman Dann wants to take the \$8,000 and repurpose it to the new Recycling Center. In addition, he wants to add \$7,000 to it. So they have a \$15,000 Capital Reserve Fund for the Recycling Center that they can use to purchase loaders and all equipment over there and make capital improvements to the building. They have two options. One will only require a simple majority and that's abandon the former warrant article. That strands that money in limbo. The other option is to abandon the other warrant article and repurpose it and transfer the \$8,000 to the new recycling center but that would require a 2/3rd majority. He is of

the mind that the town would support this. If they not only go with the option that requires a simple majority, they still have the problem with the \$8,000 sitting in limbo. The one that requires a simple majority is just to establish a Capital Reserve Fund; it doesn't give us the authority to transfer it from old Capital Reserve Fund to the new one. If the Board is in support of adding \$7,000 to that and making it a total of \$15,000 he has a warrant article prepared for their consideration. The first thing to decide is do they want to free up the \$8,000 and spend it at the new Recycling Center. The next questions is do they want to add \$7,000 to it. Selectman Young asked if there would be two separate warrant articles. Chairman Chivers said it would just be one all together. Selectman Dann said basically they have a 1998 Skid Steer at the Recycling Center and that comes into the neighborhood of a \$50,000 replacement. They are talking about an expensive piece of equipment. Chairman Chivers asked the Board if they wanted to add \$7,000 to this. Selectman Komisarek asked if they could do two warrant articles. He didn't want to jeopardize getting the two thirds. They seem like two distinct separate issues. Chairman Chivers read the one the requires one article but two third majority "To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35 for the purpose of purchasing replacement equipment or capital improvements for the Recycling Center, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000, \$8,000 of said amount representing the amount formerly contained in the discontinued Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund, and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend." This is the article that Atty. Mayer recommended. Selectman Young said if this is one warrant and they add a second one that is just a simple majority. Otherwise you're going to have to get two thirds. Chairman Chivers said this one requires two thirds majority. Selectman Young said it doesn't require two thirds majority to add \$7,000. Chairman Chivers said that was correct. Resident Carleton Robie said you can add \$7,000 but you need a way to get it out. Selectman Young explained what he was saying is if the first one doesn't pass and the second one does it is a moot point. Lt. Seidner said establish three. Establish the reserve fund, transfer the \$8,000, and then raise the money. This way if they turn down the raised money you have the other two going. Chairman Chivers asked if they should see if the town will vote to discontinue the Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund. Resident Carleton Robie thought they should first open a Reserve Fund and ask for \$7,000 in it. You first need an account to put the money in. Selectman Young said what if they vote no. Selectman Laliberte said sometimes it is confusing with two issues on the ballot imagine three referring to each other. This is getting really confusing and his sense is the simpler the better even if it is two thirds. His other issue is they are now adding \$50,000 to the warrant and now we are going to have \$8,000 which is fine because they are transferring money, but then they are asking for \$7,000,. He felt they should have one article and just ask for the \$8,000. Selectman Dann said they are just going to have to look down the road. They can add to it next year. Selectman Laliberte said at least you have established it. Selectman Dann noted there is \$8,000 sitting there they can do nothing with right now. Selectman Laliberte thought what they can make clear is that they are transferring money it will cost nothing to the taxpayer. They should add a line saying that. Chairman Chivers read a revised warrant article "To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35 for the purpose of purchasing replacement equipment for the Recycling Center, to raise and appropriate the sum \$8,000, said amount representing the amount formerly contained in the discontinued Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund, and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. This will have no impact on the Town budget." Selectman Young asked if it could say transfer instead of raise and appropriate. Chairman Chivers said that's fine. Selectman Laliberte suggested adding

the line "This will have no impact on the tax rate." Selectman Laliberte motioned to approve the required language for this warrant article. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Chivers said he would get this over to Atty. Mayer tomorrow.

The Board to rename the Master Plan budget line to Master Plan Implementation & Economic Development (01-4191-01-390-01). Chairman Chivers explained when the Budget Committee took out \$10,000 out of the budget; he thought it may have deleted the line. They need some authority to spend money if they get that \$10,000 back. Selectman Laliberte motioned to rename the Master Plan budget line to Master Plan Implementation & Economic Development. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Board to approve minutes from November 28th, 2016. Selectman Komisarek moved to accept the Selectmen Meeting minutes of November 28th as amended. Seconded by Selectman Young. 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 December 12th was \$1,004,009.83. Selectman Dann moved to approve the accounts payable and payroll checks for December 12th in the amount \$1,004,009.83. Seconded by Selectman Komisarek. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Other Business

Numbering Warrant Articles from the December 5th meeting:

Are you in favor of Article 26 as follows:

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (**\$10,000**) for the Planning Board to be used for strategic planning and economic initiatives with the intent of increasing revenue for the Town of Candia.

Are you in favor of Article 27 as follows:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,000** to conduct an **engineering study** of potential traffic circulation and roadway alignment improvements on NH Route 43 and NH Route 27 within the "Four Corners" area as detailed in the Town of Candia Transportation Plan. The products of the engineering study would include a conceptual design for the improvements, determination of the cost for the improvements, and identification of potential right-of-way impacts for the improvements. The study could support a request by the Town for inclusion of the project in the State of NH Transportation Improvement Program which would be needed to secure federal and state funding for the project.

Are you in favor of Article 28 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell town owned property, identified as Map 410, Lots 162, 161, and 161-1 subject to the condition that the sale shall result in a use or uses compatible with the Town of Candia Zoning Ordinance and that the Board of Selectmen follow the procedures enumerated in RSA 41:14-a. This article shall replace all previous articles on the subject.

Are you in favor of Article 29 as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer the responsibility for and the management of the following town-owned properties to the Candia Conservation Commission.

1. New Boston Road (Map 406-100-1) 18 acres North of the North Branch River, abutting the existing 82 acre Deerfield Road Town Forest (Map 401-001-001)
2. New Boston Road (Map 406-103-1) 20 acres North of the North Branch River, abutting the existing 82 acre Deerfield Road Town Forest (Map 401-001-001)

Further, to designate these properties, in accordance with RSA 31:110, as a part of the Candia Town Forest System. This action would be of no cost to Candia tax payers.

Selectman Komisarek moved to adjourn at 8:20 pm. Seconded by Selectman Dann. All were in favor. Motion carried.