

**BUDGET COMMITTEE ORDINANCE**  
**TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG, February 16, 1994**  
**Amended through May 6, 2008**

1. Purpose: To establish a standing Budget Committee of seven persons, consisting of two members appointed annually by the Board of Select persons and five members elected by town voters at the annual meeting. The Budget Committee will operate according to the following procedures:

A. The seven members shall serve staggered terms and shall elect among themselves a chair, vice-chair, and secretary.

B. Everyone shall inform the Budget Committee of all proposed major expenditures for the town. It shall be requested that the Directors of Regional School Unit #1 advise the Budget Committee of all proposed major expenditures that would affect the Town's share of payment to the RSU.

C. In a public hearing prior to any town meeting at which money is proposed to be appropriated, the Budget Committee shall independently assess and make recommendations to voters on all spending requests to be acted on at that town meeting.

D. The Budget Committee recommendations shall be included, together with those of the Board of Selectpersons, in all budgetary items on the town meeting warrant. The Budget Committee will review the Regional School Unit #1 budget and make recommendations to Phippsburg voters prior to the Regional Town Budget Meeting.

<b>Amendment Summary</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Amendment</b>
5/18/96	Section 1.B.	Added requirement for "everyone" to notify.
5/18/96	Section 1.C.	Changed the hearing requirement to "all" Town Meetings.
5/13/02	Section 1.A	Removed 2 term limit.
5/6/08	Section 1	Changed School Board appointed position to Selectmen appointed.
5/6/08	Section 1.B	Requests RSU#1 to advise the Budget Committee of proposed major expenditures.
5/6/08	Section 1.D	Requires Budget Committee to review and make recommendations on the RSU#1 budget.
5/6/08	Section 2	Deleted implementation schedule