

Submitted By:
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
August 14, 2001

Approved By:

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Selectman Wells, Rice and Douglass present.

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable and payroll warrants
- Minutes

All items reviewed and signed.

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- Meet with Jennie Bichrest (Purse Line Bait) concerning posted roads and pipe discharge (7:00)

Meeting held. (1) Ms. Bichrest has a concern that the town roads to her business will be closed again during the spring of 2002. She would like to post a bond or make a payment to the town for road repairs in return for her being allowed to operate trucks on the town roads leading to her business. This issue was tabled until September. (2) The CEO had received a complaint that fish parts and gury were accumulating along the shore from the Purse Line discharge pipe. He investigated the complaint and found it valid. The pipe had been damaged and Ms. Bichrest was unsure if she could put in a different type of pipe without DEP approval. The CEO will check with DEP.

- Meet with owners of Maggies-by-gones concerning sign (8:00)

Meeting held with the owners. They had erected a large sign, outside the Towns right of way, that they were going to paint a mural on. This mural would not be a business advertisement. The Selectmen and the Code Enforcement Officer could not find any ordinance prohibitions so they approved the use of the sign for this purpose. The owners also complained about the maintenance of the southern intersection of Herron Cove Rd. and of Route 209. The Clerk and Road Commissioner will contact State DOT.

3. Discuss the following issues

- Establishment of a Road Committee

Discussed. Clerk will contact other towns to discuss their experiences with a Road Committee and get copies of their ordinances. The Road Commissioner was in favor of the idea. Issue was tabled.

- MMA Proposed slate of Officers

No action taken.

- Seasonal Taxpayers Meeting

Handouts were approved.

- Interviews for Chief of Police

Interviews are set for August 21st at 6:00 p.m. Selectmen voted to ask Sheriff Mark Westrum to be on the interview board.

4. Review the following items:

- Shellfish Warden Report
- Letter from DOT concerning the Fire Dept. "Toll Booth"

Items reviewed. Selectman Rice will prepare a response to the DOT letter. No action taken on the Shellfish Warden Report.

5. Discuss attendance at the following meetings, courses, and seminars

- Jensen's legal issues workshop

Copies will be sent to the Planning Board and Board of Appeals.

6. Miscellaneous

- **Selectmen voted to continue not taxing church parsonages. Clerk to invite Senator Mary Small to a Selectmen's meeting to discuss this issue.**
- **Clerk to check with West Bath and Bath to see how they dispose of dead domesticated animals that their ACO comes across.**
- **Selectmen voted to appoint Angie Zimmerman and Gordon Nash to the MCBDP Board of Directors for a one-year term.**
- **Selectmen met with Angie Zimmerman to discuss ATV usage in Town. She stated that there are grants available to assist "clubs" (i.e. Sportsmen's Club) in constructing and maintaining ATV trails as well as working with private landowners for permission to use their lands. She would like to have the Town support her in this endeavor. The Selectmen asked her to provide more information. This may be an issue for the Town Lands Management Committee. Issue tabled until a later date.**
- **The Road Commissioner will provide a rebuild plan for the Stoneybrook Road and will contact the road abutters to see if they will allow easements over their properties.**

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.