

Submitted By:  
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Approved By:

July 24, 2002

## MINUTES

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

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable, payroll warrants and minutes
- URIP Form from DOT

**All items reviewed and signed.**

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- Meet with Stoneybrook property owners whose properties will be affected by the planned construction on Stoneybrook Road.

**Meeting was held with Richard Hornbeck (Town Attorney), Ron Beal (Surveyor), Juanita Hennessey (Assessing Agent) and Curtis Doughty (Road Commissioner.) The following property owners were represented: Stevens, Navarette, Pantalena, Beals, Simmons Hart and Beane. The Assessing agent gave an overview of the appraisal procedure used by Appraiser Bob Peabody. Attorney Hornbeck mentioned that Mr. Peabody would be sending the town a letter summarizing the state standards for appraisal of the properties. These appraisals should be completed in one month. The Selectmen tabled the decision on whether to take the properties by full fee (town pays 100% appraised value) or an easement (town pays 50% of appraised value.) The Surveyor, Ron Beal, went over some septic information for Stevens and Hart. T/A will contact the septic system site evaluators for both properties and request that they conduct an on site inspection with the owners and Road Commissioner to determine any affect that the re-routing of the road will have on the systems. There were also concerns of rain runoff onto the properties and where the snow would be plowed. Peter Hart requested that the Town have elevation plans drawn up so that property owners can see exactly what the construction will look like. T/A to contact Coffin Engineering to get an estimate on the engineering costs. The Road Commissioner will be meeting with Scott Beane and CMP at 10:30 am on August 3rd to discuss the relocation of the telephone pole that is on/near his property (pole #6). Property owners will be notified of the next meeting once scheduled.**

- Meet with Bob Cushing concerning the sharp corner on Parker Head Road.

**Meeting held. Surveyor Ron Beal and the Road Commissioner will do an onsite visit with Bob Cushing to discuss the straightening of the corner. The Road Commissioner will report back to the Selectmen at their next meeting.**

3. Discuss the following issues

- Appointment/hiring of a new Harbormaster.

**Upon the recommendation of the Harbor Commission, the Selectmen voted unanimously to hire Douglass Alexander as the new Harbormaster.**

- Request from the Harbor Commission to maintain a five-member board.

**Selectmen approved the request – which is in compliance with the Harbor Ordinance.**

- Attendance at the next Comp Plan meeting

**Selectman Douglass will attend.**

4. Review the following items

- County Justice Report

**Selectman Rice will take home for review.**

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

- DMR/NMR “Meeting of the Minds.”

**Selectman Rice will attend.**

- Marie Varian attending the week basic/review assessing course.

**Selectmen approved.**

6. Miscellaneous

- **T/A briefed the Selectmen on a complaint received from Papa Jack’s Towing Company because they were not contacted to bid on towing junked vehicles. No action taken.**
- **T/A will have OUI workers sweep the Transfer Station in August.**
- **Road Commissioner will contact Crooker concerning the paving of West Point Road, Wallace Circle and also the striping of Parker Head Road.**
- **Road Commissioner requested 3 or 4 OUI workers to help with chipping brush alongside the roads and at the Acre Lot. T/A will contact VOA.**
- **Chief of Police discussed having a community policing meeting. This was approved by the Selectmen.**
- **Selectman Rice will write a letter to the State Police requesting that a dedicated Trooper be assigned to Sagadahoc County.**
- **Selectman Rice will contact Judy Marden, Bates-Morse Mountain, to discuss several gatekeeper issues.**
- **Selectman Douglass made a motion to open the bids from the Murphy Property Sale. Motion failed 2 to 1.**

*Adjourned: 8:35 p.m.*