

Submitted By:
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
January 29, 2003

Approved By:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Selectmen Rice, Douglass and Wells present.

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable, payroll warrants and minutes
- Abatements and Supplementals

All items reviewed and signed.

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- Meet with Doctor Doolan and the Road Commissioner concerning tree cutting along Old Ferry Road

Meeting held. The Road Commissioner, Curtis Doughty, had removed two trees along Old Ferry Road that were a hazard. Dr. Doolan felt that the operation was unsafe and that the debris had not been cleaned up properly. The Board of Selectmen determined that the work was accomplished in a safe and satisfactory manner. The Road Commissioner stated that he intended to do a final cleanup of the area this spring when the weather improved.

3. Discuss the following issues

- Budget Meeting on February 5th

Discussed. No action taken

- Letter from MMA concerning scale-back of unnecessary State mandates

Copies were provided to all Department Heads. Issue tabled until input is provided at the next meeting.

- Selectmen's Meeting on February 26th

T/A and Selectman Wells will not be available for this meeting due to the Fishermen's Forum. A decision on whether the remaining Selectmen would meet was tabled.

4. Review the following items

- Legislative Bulletin
- DEP report on Condon's fuel oil spill
- Affordable Housing Comp Plan final draft
- Historic Preservation Ordinance

Items reviewed. No action taken.

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

- Chamber of Commerce Dinner with delegation

Selectman Rice will attend.

6. Miscellaneous

- **T/A briefed the Selectmen on metal removal issues at the Transfer Station. The Selectmen also decided to continue disposing of all tires through the metal recycler (tire pile) vs. putting any in the compactor.**

- **Chief Skroski briefed the Selectmen on an animal control case that came before District Court. He will meet with the Judge to discuss the resulting penalties and the way the proceedings were conducted.**
- **Selectmen met with the Assessing Agent to discuss supplemental billing procedures. They voted to supplemental bill, for up to three years, property owners who had continued receiving Veterans Exemptions that they were not entitled to. They also voted (2 for and 1 against) to supplemental bill, for one year, those owners who had received Homestead Exemptions, but did not qualify for the program.**
- **Lee Rainey (CEO) submitted a holding tank variance for the Selectmen's approval. This was for the West Point General Store. The Selectmen reviewed the variance and tabled any further action until the CEO could talk to Health Engineering and determine what the status is with the store's licensed OBD.**

Adjourned at 7:35 p.m.