

Submitted By:
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Approved By:

April 16, 2003

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

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable, payroll warrants and minutes
- Sam Day Hill Road abutter letters

All items reviewed and signed. Minutes were corrected.

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- Meet with Contract Assessing agent concerning exemptions

Meeting held. Because the certified assessment ratio is at 90%, all exemptions dropped to 90%. Due to this the church parsonage exemptions fell below their assessed values, creating a tax which they will be responsible for paying.

3. Discuss the following issues

- Town Lands Management Committee Meeting

Briefing was held. Selectmen accepted the recommendations of the Town Lands Management Committee concerning Totman Preserve, such as installation of a handicapped porta-potti, trash pickup, signage, and relocation of the gate, were discussed. The Land Trust will be meeting on April 17th to discuss changing the conservation easement.

- MDOT 20 Year Transportation Plan Update

T/A to get input from the Road Commissioner and Road Committee. Item tabled.

- ACO job description

Selectmen will review and discuss at a later date. Item tabled.

4. Review the following items

- School Board's response to LD 1344
- Legislative Documents from Senator Mayo
- Inland Fisheries Essential Habitat Review

Items reviewed. No action taken.

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

- USCG Coastal SAR Planning Course
- Central Maine Heart and Vascular Institute Tour

The Harbormaster will attend the SAR course. The Chief of Police and Fire Dept. have also been informed of the course.

6. Miscellaneous

- **Installation of a gate at the Sand/Salt shed was discussed. Road Commissioner will research.**
- **CEO relayed information to the Selectmen concerning DEP's regulations prohibiting the burning of slash within the first 50 feet of a Resource Protection area. This differs from the State Fire Warden Service standards. Selectmen recommended that DEP and the Warden service get together and discuss this.**

- **Selectman Douglass stated that it appears that the Hannafords project in Bath was no longer going to happen.**
- **Posted Roads issues were discussed with the Road Commissioner, Harry Doughty, Gene Coffin, and Ed Skillin in attendance. The exemptions for Purse Line Bait were reviewed. It was determined that they may be operating outside the agreement and exemptions that were established by the Board of Selectmen. The minutes of the Selectmen's meeting held on October 17, 2001 were reviewed, which required trucks going to Purse Line Bait to travel when the roads were frozen and return empty. Selectman Rice will meet with Jennie Bichrest to discuss this issue.**

Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.