

Submitted By:
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

Approved By:

June 09, 2004

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

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable, payroll warrants and minutes
- Appointments
- Prescriptive easement for septic line across Bakers Wharf Road from 2 Bakers Wharf

All items reviewed and signed.

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- Meet with the Road Commissioner to discuss Stoneybrook road project (7:00 p.m.)

Meeting held with Curtis Doughty and Les Smith (Road Committee.)

(1) Selectmen voted (3-0) to award the Stoneybrook Road engineering contract to Pine Tree Engineering. The T/A will contact Ron Beal, surveyor, to remark the Stoneybrook right of way based on the property currently owned by the Town. Once that is completed the T/A will contact Pine Tree Engineering and request that the road be designed to fit within the Town's current right of way. The engineering firm will notify the Town if they feel that some property should be purchased from Robert Beals to make a safer layout.

(2) Pine Tree Engineering and the Road Committee will review the Stoneybrook/Main Road intersection to see if it needs to be redesigned for safety and drainage.

(3) The Road Commissioner will check the prices of other companies for the installation of the guardrails at the Center Pond Causeway. The current bid from Main Line Fence is \$9,090.00. He is considering installing a post and wood fence from the stair railings to the guardrail.

(4) Selectman Rice requested that the Road Commissioner install stop signs at the intersection of Sam Day Hill Road and Parker Head Road as well as the intersection of Youngs Lane and Parker Head Road.

(5) The Road Committee will draft a letter to Breeze Skillin concerning the road repair on Maple Street and the possibility of it affecting Mr. Skillin's rock wall which is within the Town's right of way.

3. Discuss the following issues:

- Release of interest in Toothaker trailer at 7 Williams Lane

The Selectmen voted (3-0) to release the Town's interest in the subject trailer to Ed Skillin who has a "writ of possession" for the trailer obtained from the court. The proper documentation was signed.

- Authorization for the Town Attorney to accept service of all legal court filings concerning the appeals case "Nusbaum, Norris, and Jermain v.s. the Town of Phippsburg and Stimson."

Selectmen voted (3-0) to authorize Richard Hornbeck, the Town's Attorney, to accept service.

- Dogs at the Transfer Station

Discussed. No action taken.

- Funding/Letter support for Sagadahoc Regional Rural Resource Initiative

The T/A will draft a letter of support. No funding will be provided.

- Authorize expenditure from the Septic System Replacement Fund for 983 Main Road and 8 New Meadows Drive

Selectmen voted (2-0, Wells abstained) to authorize payment from the Septic Fund.

The monies will be reimbursed by the State in July.

4. Review the following items:

- Case decision on Gensheimer v.s. the Town of Phippsburg
- Shellfish Warden Report
- Various Agendas
- Chamber Connections

Items reviewed. No action taken. The court found in favor of the Town in the Gensheimer case.

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

- Maine's Working Waterfront Coalition Press Conference

No one will attend.

6. Miscellaneous

- **Peggy Doughty presented a State Sign request for signature. It was forwarded to the Code Enforcement Officer.**
- **The T/A briefed the Selectmen on a carpenter ant/rodent problem at Town Hall. The T/A will contact an exterminator.**
- **Mark Wilson and Peter Hutchinson requested that the Selectmen grant them a utility easement under Meadowbrook Road to allow them to run a septic line if needed in the future. The T/A will draft an agreement for the Selectmen's review at their next meeting.**
- **Selectman Douglass discussed regionalization issues. No action taken.**
- **The Selectmen requested that the T/A to draft a letter to the County Commissioner asking them why they did not hold another Public Hearing on the final proposed figures for the County tax as promised. He will also formally request copies of County Commissioner's meeting minutes.**
- **The T/A will draft a letter to MMA requesting that they hold firm on requiring the State to immediately fund 55% of education costs instead of allowing the State to phase it in over 5 years.**
- **The T/A will request that the Chief of Police increase patrols by the "green piece" on Basin Road.**
- **The T/A will contact CPM Constructors to see when they will be trimming off the sheet pile ends at the causeway.**

Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.