

Submitted By:  
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TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
MINUTES

Approved By:

August 31, 2005

*Called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Selectmen Rice, Douglass and Perkins present.*

1. Review and Sign:

- Accounts payable and payroll warrants  
**All items reviewed and signed.**

2. Meetings and Hearings:

- **None**

3. Discuss the following issues:

- County Tax payment request

**The T/A explained that Diane Racine, Treasurer for Sagadahoc County, had requested that the Town consider paying the county tax (\$615,048.00) by the due date (Sep 1<sup>st</sup>) instead of the day prior to penalty interest starting to accrue (October 31<sup>st</sup>.) This would help the County's cash flow. The T/A explained that Phippsburg, as well as other municipalities, usually wait until the end of October to pay the county tax so that the funds will continue to earn interest for the Town. The Selectmen voted (3-0) to continue the practice of paying at the end of October.**

- Meeting with Dept. of Conservation concerning Fort Popham and Popham Beach Park upgrades

**The T/A explained that John Pichey from State Parks and Lands would like to meet with Town Officials and other interested parties from Popham to discuss some upgrades that are being considered for Popham State Park. These would include the possibility of a \$100,000 grant for stabilization of the Fort, additional bathrooms, water supply and the possible bus transportation. The meeting is set for 7:00 pm. on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. The T/A has sent out notices to Town Officials and other interested parties.**

4. Review the following items:

- School Building Committee recommendations for 2005-2006 (draft)

**Reviewed. The engineering for roof repair or replacement was specifically discussed. No further action taken.**

- Monthly Solid Waste Report

**Reviewed. No further action taken.**

- Norris Family Associates v.s. Town of Phippsburg (BOA)

**The T/A briefed the Selectmen on this case as well as the Gensheimer vs. Town of Phippsburg case. The Norris case concerns the issuance of a building permit to the Stimson family and the Gensheimer case concerns the Town's refusal to allow the construction of a road in a Resource Protection Zone. Both are appeals of the CEO, Planning Board or Board of Appeals decisions.**

5. Discuss attendance at the following meetings, courses, and seminars:
  - MMA Convention  
**Discussed. No further action taken.**
  
6. Miscellaneous
  - **The Selectmen discussed the high cost of fuel.**
  - **The Selectmen recognized the plight of folks in Mississippi and New Orleans. Selectman Rice stated that President Bush had recommended that donations be sent to the Red Cross to insure that they were used for this cause.**

*Adjourned at 7:19 p.m.*