

Submitted by: TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG Approved by Selectmen:
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
John M. Young ADMINISTRATOR
Administrator MINUTES
March 11, 2009

Meeting convened at 6:17 p.m. at the Phippsburg Elementary School with Selectmen Pye, Douglass and Perkins in attendance. This followed a Special Town Meeting to consider amendments to the Shellfish Ordinance.

I. Review and Sign:

1. Accounts payable and payroll warrants.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve the accounts payable and payroll warrants.

II. Meetings and Hearings:

1. Meet with the Town Landing Committee to open bids for the Alliquippa Landing project.

The meeting was held. Peter Roberts, Chair of the Town Landing Committee, explained that he had asked all 6 contractors in Town to bid. He received 4 sealed bids from contractors within the Town and 1 faxed bid and 1 e-mailed bid from out-of-town contractors (which were kept confidential until tonight).

The bids were opened by the Selectmen with the following results:

Waterman - \$12,830.00

Linkel - \$11,239.00

GAC - \$8,900.00

Doughty - \$5,560.00

Hawkes - \$5,215.00

Skillin - \$4,616.00

The Town Landing Committee then went to the Town Hall to convene a meeting to further review the bids. They will come to a future Selectmen's meeting to recommend one of the companies for the project.

III. Unfinished Business

1. Review and sign Heavyweight Vehicle Partial Load Exemptions for Purse Line Bait.

Exemptions were approved at the Selectmen's emergency meeting held on March 5th. They were reviewed and signed at tonight's meeting.

IV. New Business

1. Consider the appointment of James A. Lewis to the Road Committee.

Mr. Lewis's application was reviewed. He has resided in Town for 38 years and has 15 years construction and road work experience. The Road Committee members had previously reviewed Mr. Lewis's application and

spoke to him at one of their meetings. They recommended his appointment. The Selectmen voted (3-0) to appoint Mr. Lewis as a member of the Road Committee.

2. Review resignation of Terry Watson from the Shellfish Conservation Commission.

Mr. Watson's resignation was reviewed and accepted. He was thanked for his service. Shellfish Chairman Dick Lemont added that he was looking for people interested in serving on the Shellfish Conservation Commission.

3. Review and sign a letter to DMR concerning participation in the "private lab water testing pilot program."

Dick Lemont, Chair of the Shellfish Commission, explained that the Budget Committee had recommended that the Town Meeting approve funds to allow accelerated water testing in The Branch (Small Point) to locate the cause of the poor test results in that area. If DMR chooses Phippsburg for the accelerated program the testing would be done in the summer when all the homes and cottages are occupied.

Selectman Douglass asked if the property owners in the area were aware of the possible testing and Mr. Lemont replied that he had discussed it with Nick Sewall and William Wyman, however he had not mentioned dye testing septic systems at that time. He added that Terry Watson would still be willing to drop off the water tests.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to sign the letter requesting participation in the accelerated water testing program.

4. Consider transferring \$2,000 from the Selectmen's Contingency account to the Transfer Station Salary account to cover additional hours worked by attendants.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve the Transfer.

5. Consider transferring \$1,000 from the Selectmen's Contingency account to the Ballot Clerk Salary account to cover additional hours worked by clerks for the November election.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve the Transfer.

6. Consider transferring \$5,000 from the legal account to the Comprehensive Planning account to cover expected costs for the legal review of the Shoreland and Land Use ordinances.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve the Transfer.

V. Selectmen/Administrator Comments and Announcements

1. Administrator Mike Young

Announced upcoming meetings and events.

2. Selectman Pye

Announced that the Gulf of Maine Lobster Foundation was using stimulus funds to cost share (50/50) the replacement of older engines in commercial fishing boats with newer Tier II engines. Administrator Young will put the information and applications on the Town's website. The program is also being announced on the Town's CATV Channel.

VI. Public Forum

1. David Barnes

Mr. Barnes asked what the Alliquippa Landing project consisted of. Selectman Pye explained that it consisted of shoreline stabilization, expansion of parking, slabs, ramp and a float.

V. Adjournment - Selectmen voted (3-0) to adjourn at 6.25 p.m.