

Submitted by: TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG Approved by Selectmen:
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
John M. Young MINUTES
Administrator December 23, 2009

Meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall with Selectmen Douglass, Perkins and Pye in attendance.

I. Meetings and Hearings:

1. Meet with Dean Doyle, Jr. (Chair, Shellfish Committee) Lee Rainey (CEO) and Doug Alexander (Shellfish Warden) to discuss:

- A. DMR/DEP Work Plan.

Administrator Young explained that DMR was requesting that municipalities submit a priority list of closed areas that the municipalities would like to have added to the DEP/DMR work plan for opening. He added that the Selectmen would need to commit the CEO and Shellfish Warden to assist in the program.

Dean Doyle explained that the harvesters had discussed the plan at their recent Shellfish Commission meeting and were recommending the following priority list:

P	Area	Current Status
1	Atkins Bay	Conditional Rainfall Closure
2	Wymans Bay – South End	Seasonal Closure
3	Parker Head Pond	Prohibited
4	The Branch	Seasonal Closure
5	North Creek	Seasonal Closure
6	West Point	Prohibited
7	Pasture Brook/Brighams Cove	Prohibited
8	Round Cove	Restricted

Selectmen voted (3-0) to send a letter to DMR recommending the Shellfish Commissions priority list and committing the resources of the CEO and Shellfish Warden.

- B. DEP Legislation on overboard discharges and pumpouts.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to send a letter/e-mail to DMR and local legislatures supporting this legislation which would improve water quality and increase areas open for shellfish harvesting. This would be accomplished by changing grant income requirements for OBD removal, authorizing low-interest loans for OBD removal, requiring alternative analysis if expanding a structure, and requiring removal of an OBD if a sewer connection is practical.

C. Depuration harvesting in the Kennebec River.

Mr. Doyle explained that the Shellfish Commission had discussed the possibility of depuration harvesting in areas of the Kennebec when closed due to the flow meter. The Selectmen were in favor of having the Commission explore the possibility with Tom Howell (owner of the only depuration company in Maine) and come back to the Selectmen with a proposal.

II. New Business

1. Consider accepting the following donations to the Goodwill Account:

A. \$100.00 from Kathleen Allaker.

B. \$80.00 from Nancy and Maurice Brooks.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to accept these donations.

III. Selectmen/Administrator Comments and Announcements

1. Administrator Young

Administrator Young announced upcoming meetings and events.

IV. Review and Sign:

1. Accounts payable and payroll warrants.

2. Selectmen's Meeting Minutes.

Selectmen voted (3-0) to approve and sign all the above.

V. Adjournment - Selectmen voted (3-0) to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.