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Approved by Selectmen:



Amber L. Jones
Administrator

**TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
May 30, 2018**

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Selectmen convened at **5:00 p.m.** for a workshop with Administrator Jones, Selectman Read, Selectman Mixon and Selectman Young Present.

I. Workshop

1. Selectmen's organizational workshop: to review pending items and set goals for the coming year.

The regular meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall

II. Adjustments

Administrator Jones stated that the Small Point Club did not get their liquor license in on time and that the item needed to be moved to next week's agenda.

III. New Business

1. Consider renewal of a Seasonal Liquor License for the Small Point Club.

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to table the above which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

2. Meet with Police Chief, John Skroski to hear his recommendation on a potential hire for the Part-time Patrol Officer position.

Chief Skroski introduced Justin Onofrio and explained that the interview with Justin was conducted by himself, a member of the Public Safety Advisory Committee, Chilloa Young and Selectman, Mike Young. They made a unanimous decision to put forward a recommendation for hire to the Select Board for consideration. Justin comes to Phippsburg fully trained with the necessary certifications completed. He is a full time English Teacher at Oxford Hills Middle School, and has a Bachelor's Degree, Associate's Degree, and is two classes shy of his Masters. He is also a member of the National Guard. Mr. Onofrio was also a full time officer with the City of Lewiston for four years.

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to hire Justin Onofrio for the part time Patrol Office position, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

Selectman Mixon asked Chief Skroski if he has seen any applications for the Parking Enforcement position. Chief responded by saying there has been strong interest, but that we will have to wait until the deadline, as responses often come in just under the wire.


IV. Unfinished Business

1. Consider the recommendation from Maine Municipal Association's Legal Department with regard to the Community Garden project.

Administrator Jones forwarded an email from MMA Legal to the Board and Ellen Winchester which states that: because of the expectation set by Town Meeting that the Community Garden would be located on a specific parcel, (across the street from the Transfer Station) nothing short of a vote at a Town Meeting could change the location of the project. MMA will look further into piloting the project elsewhere. There is nothing to hold the Community Garden Community back from approaching a private individuals or even State agencies for the use of their land. If we should have a special town

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meeting, we could include this on the warrant.

V. Selectmen/Administrator Comments and Announcements:

Administrator Jones announced the Parking Enforcement Officer job opening and mentioned that the job description and application are on the Website. Committee positions will be on the website soon. Selectman Young reported that he went to the Regional RSU 1 Town Meeting last evening; 8 people from Phippsburg were there. 30.1 million dollar budget was approved in twenty minutes; 3.78% decrease for Phippsburg. There were only about 50 people in attendance from all of the RSU 1 towns. Selectman Young emphasized that those who want to have more control over the RSU budget should attend the town-wide meetings. Selectman Young also stated that he and Lisa had a discussion with Fred Brewer that morning, concerning the commitment error. They will come up with a final figure and when it comes commitment time we will need to discuss overlay and surplus as that amount will be coming out of surplus, and adjust accordingly. Selectman Young also reminded folks that if anyone has US or Maine Flags that they want to dispose of they can bring them to Town Hall or the Transfer Station. The Legion Post is having their ceremony on Saturday, June 16th, at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to come watch the ceremony. It will be held in conjunction with the Girl Scouts and will properly dispose of the flags.

VI. Public Forum:

Michelle Sloan of the Phippsburg Recreation Department requested putting permanent electricity on the PES ballfield. Since it belongs to the Town, permission from the Board is needed to get an account set up. The Recreation Department would pay the monthly fee and set up. This item did not make it onto the agenda and Selectman Young suggested discussing this next week. Further discussion was held about what the power would be used for. Selectman Mixon said if they were just looking for permission to set up an account, he is comfortable with granting permission to go forward.

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to grant permission to the Recreation Department to establish an account with CMP for the ball field which was seconded by Selectman Read. Selectman Young stated this item was not on the agenda and if it's not an emergency, he feels no action should be taken. Selectman Read said that it might take some time to get a meeting scheduled with CMP so he doesn't have any issues just granting them permission to set up an account so they can go ahead and schedule a meeting.

The Recreation Committee will go ahead and set up the account. After Panda has talked with CMP they will come back to the Board with more detail.

Vote passed by a vote of 2-1, with one opposition (Selectman Young).

VII. Review and/or Sign:

1. Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants

Vote: Selectman Read motioned to review and sign Payroll & Accounts Payable Warrants, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 2-0 (Selectman Mixon recused himself from the motion as his compensation was part of the payroll warrant).

2. Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for April 18 & April 25, 2018

3. Letter to Sidney Rogers regarding ongoing junkyard violation

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4. Letter to the owners of the 1774 Inn regarding business license violation

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to review and sign the Selectmen Meeting Minutes, Letter to Sidney Rogers & Letter to the owners of 1774 Inn, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

VIII. Adjournment

Vote: At 6:25 p.m., Selectman Mixon motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.