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Approved by Selectmen:


Amber L. Jones
Administrator

TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
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July 18, 2018

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The regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, with Administrator Jones, Selectman Read, Selectman Mixon and Selectman Young present.

I. Adjustments

Administrator Jones requested that the Meeting Minutes from the June 20th Selectmen's Meeting be reviewed for signing next week, because they were long, and they weren't sent out in adequate time for the Board to review them.

II. New Business

1. Meet with resident Carol Reece, to discuss the terms outlined in the Consent Agreement between her and the Town to resolve zoning issues raised by Jonathan Day, and consider signing.

Selectman Read announced that the Town Attorney looked over this Agreement and the Board has read it. Selectman Young stated that this is the third revision and everyone seems to be content with it.

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to sign the Consent Agreement stated above, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

2. Consider accepting \$25.00, from Oliver Andrews III, for the Murphy House.

3. Consider accepting \$25.00 from Patricia J. Andrews for the Murphy House.

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to accept the two \$25 donations for the Murphy House above, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

4. Consider the disposal of a Town Hall Desk.

Selectman Young stated that the desk was one of the two he bought when he first was hired, so it's at least 22 years old. It's Selectman Young's' opinion if someone wants to take it off the Town's hands, they are welcome to do so; he does not believe it has any value.

Vote: Selectman Young motioned to give the above mentioned desk away free, first come first serve, which was seconded by Selectman Mixon and passed by a vote of 3-0.


III. Correspondence

1. Email from resident, Joshua Bate with concern as to the Road Committee's process for formulating a list of Roads considered for discontinuance at Town Meeting 2018.

Selectman Read read the email aloud and stated the reason it was not on the Agenda for last week was because information had been forwarded to him and the Board hadn't heard back. Selectman Young's understanding is that the Road Committee took the RSMS to get road lengths, and then the roads were actually driven by committee members to get exact measurements on the sections maintained by the Town, not the whole road. When Selectman Young looked at it, it seemed very reasonable and does not have a problem with the data that was used. This was brought before the Town so the Town could take a look to see if they were even interested in going through the discontinuance process. Selectman Young feels at this point, it is a dead issue; we are not looking at pursuing it. Selectman Read stated the Town said they did not want us to look into any further. Selectman Mixon feels that the Road Committee did

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their due diligence. They brought the proposed straw poll warrant article to the Board of Selectmen, and the Selectmen brought it to Town floor, and we got our answer from the Townspeople. Selectman Mixon further stated that he believes there is some confusion on the process, because even if the article had been approved, the Board would have to get the Townspeople's vote to move forward on any road. Selectman Young stated that if anybody requests records from the Town, if they don't feel they are getting the records they think are available, they should contact the Administrator. Bethany Wallace stated that the Road Committee has complied with the Freedom of Information law, by providing information. Bethany Wallace expressed there may have been some misconceptions prior to Town Meeting on what that Article meant, but that the committee has been transparent and wants the support of the Selectmen that they did their due diligence and the committee did what they were asked. Selectman Read stated that if the Board didn't feel that you did due diligence and brought it before the Board, we wouldn't have brought it before Town Meeting. Selectman Mixon stated he is very comfortable with what the Road Committee has done; Selectman Young agreed. Selectman Young also stated that at this point this issue is done; nobody is looking into discontinuing any roads.

2. Thank you letter from Big Brothers Big Sisters for the Town's donation of \$1,200.00.
3. Thank you letter from the Brunswick Area Respite Care for the Town's donation of \$1,000.00
4. Thank you letter from Elmhurst Inc., for the Town's donation of \$1,400.00.
5. Thank you letter from the Bath Area Food Bank for the Town's donation of \$1,500.00.

All these letters are on file if anyone is interested in reading them.

IV. Selectmen/Administrator Comments and Announcements:

Hazardous Waste Day - Saturday, July 21st

Administrator Jones announced Hazardous Waste Day, this Saturday, from 9-noon, at the Sand and Salt Shed. Take this opportunity to get rid of your hazardous waste.

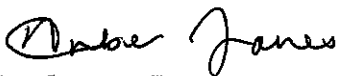
Family Field Day & Road Race - Sunday, July 29th

Selectman Young announced Blessing of the Fleet at Sebasco on August 12th at 1:30

V. Public Forum:

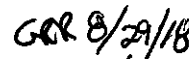
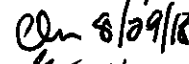

Dot Kelly spoke as a member of the Phippsburg Land Trust and Conservation Commission. The Land Trust and Conservation Commission have been active at the Elementary School with "outdoor classroom" which the Land Trust supports: it's a program in pre-K, K, 1-5 for which both Lynn Kay and Ellen Winchester deserve recognition as leaders of these programs for many years. The responses from students on what they have learned, prove that nature can be a teacher of math, science, and reading which is pretty outstanding. There was a disconnect in getting volunteers for the program. They were hoping to have an extra day with Mary McCauley, the PE Teacher, for a demonstration effort. They did put in for some grants, but the grant did not come through. The Land Trust will keep track of whether this effort is worthwhile or not. The Phippsburg Land Trust will support the demonstration effort that will be added next year, Principal Sandra Gorsuch-Plummer feels it is worthwhile to put into her programming.

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VI. Review and/or Sign:

1. Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants

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

2. Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for June 20, 2018

Vote: Selectman Mixon motioned to table June 20th Minutes, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.

3. Treasurer's Report for June 2018

4. Policy on Treasurer's Disbursement Warrants for FY 2019

5. Policy of Tax Payments for FY 2019

6. Town of Phippsburg's Fee Schedule for FY 2019

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

Adjournment

Vote: At 6:27 p.m., Selectman Mixon motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.