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**TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG  
SELECT BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

*The Members of the Select Board will convene at Town Hall at 5:00PM with  
Chair House, Board Member Read, Board Member Varian, and Administrator McLellan present.*

**I. Adjustments**

**1. Varian motioned to add "Discuss Malaga Island Great Gathering Event" under New Business. Read seconded. Approved 3-0.**

**II. New Business**

- 1. Consider selecting and accepting a bid for Transfer Station improvements. Low bid is \$141,250 by Reno's excavation. The Transfer Station Capital and Arpa funds are \$132,590. Read motioned to reward the bid to Reno's. Varian seconded. Other bids were C&C Construction \$153,503, Pratt & Sons \$164,450, ProSeal LLC \$165,700, Board Enterprise \$286,400.**
- 2. Consider accepting \$33 in donations from the sharing table to the Community Garden. Read motioned to approve. Varian seconded. Approved 3-0.**
- 3. Discuss Malaga Island Great Gathering Event. There will be a shuttle from Town Hall to Acre Lot for persons attending the event. The Select Board voiced concerns about disrupting any business. The Event Managers and Select Board agreed that the risk is minimal.**

**III. Unfinished Business - NONE**

**IV. Department and Committee Reports - NONE**

**V. Correspondence - Available for viewing at Town Hall**

1. Thank you letter from Life Flight.
2. Thank you letter from Bath Area Food Bank.

**VI. Courses, Meetings, and Seminars - NONE**

**VII. Administrator/Members of the Select Board Comments and Announcements**

1. Vacant Board and Committee positions - See Town Notices on Town website.
2. Seasonal Taxpayers meeting - August 21<sup>st</sup> - 6PM - Fire Station.
3. Hazardous Waste Day & Shredding - August 24<sup>th</sup> - 9AM-12PM - Sand & Salt Shed.

**VIII. Review and/or Sign:**

1. Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants.
  - a. Payroll Warrant - #14 - \$25,842.76 House motioned to approve. Varian seconded. Read recused himself. Approved 2-0.
  - b. Accounts Payable Warrant - #15 - \$25,987.06 Read motioned to review and sign. Varian seconded. Approved 3-0.
  - c. Treasurers Report - June 2024. Read motioned to table. Varian seconded. Tabled 3-0.

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IX. **Public Forum** - Loren Hunter presented paperwork and voiced concerns about maintaining cemeteries in town. The paperwork included a portion of 2014 Maine law regarding maintenance of cemeteries including Veterans. He has previously sent a letter to the Town Hall. A guardrail was damaged near a cemetery close to Parker Head Road. Hunter asked when it would be fixed. The Board will look into it. Hunter is also concerned that cemeteries that contain veterans may not be properly maintained. He did not present specific examples. Varian explained that her sisters ~~(Jessie and Julie)~~ worked with Mary Chapin and local students on cemeteries many years ago, and Julie Varian continues today, working on ancient cemeteries (with and without Veterans). Varian's sisters have tried to maintain the cemeteries in town with little volunteer help and hoped that descendants of the families in family/private cemeteries would take over the maintenance as time went on, but there are too many to maintain by the small volunteer population. Varian and Read mentioned that the American Legion works on maintaining veteran lots as well. House suggested revisiting at a further date. Chris Mixon was present as well and stated that there are 144 cemeteries in town and Gary has that list. The Board will revisit the issue.

**Adjournment** Read motioned to adjourn. Varian seconded. Adjourned 3-0 at 5:53 PM

- Revaluation Workshop