

Submitted By:

Approved by Selectmen:



Amber L. Jones  
Administrator

**TOWN OF PHIPPSBURG  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 24, 2019**

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*The Selectmen convened at 39 Maple Street at 5:00 p.m. for a site visit to assess the status of the junkyard clean-up. The regular Selectmen's meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall with Selectman Nixon, Selectman Young, Selectman House and Administrator Jones present.*

**I. New Business**

1. Discuss the timing of resident, Samuel Burgess's appeal of the Harbor Commission's decision (to uphold the Harbormaster's determination that the moorings in question were abandoned).

*Administrator Jones has been in contact with the Harbor Commission but does not have a completion date for the Findings of Fact. She did speak with Harbor Commission Chair, DeBery and they are trying to schedule a second Harbor Commission meeting Thursday or Friday of next week, the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. Once the Findings of Fact are approved, it will come to the Select Board, possibly the first or second week in August. The Board will plan on putting this on the agenda for August 21<sup>st</sup>.*

2. Vote, pursuant to Title M.R.S.A. Section 2253, to appoint James R. Little to the Shellfish Committee for the remainder of a three-year term ending June 30, 2021.

**Vote: Selectman Young motioned to appoint Mr. Little to the alternate position stated above which was seconded by Selectman House and passed by a vote of 3-0.**

**II. Unfinished Business**

1. Discuss the status of clean-up at 39 Maple Street.

*An on-site visit was held and the Board could see that progress had been made. The Board asked him to continue working on it as he had been. Mr. Rogers must still take care of the metal pile. It was explained to him, that the Board did not want to go into another winter of this. The next site visit will be scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.*

**III. Correspondence**

1. Thank you letter from the Bath Area YMCA for the Town's donation of \$2,200.00.
2. Thank you letter from New Hope for Women for the Town's donation of \$500.00.
3. Thank you letter from Sweetser for the Town's donation of \$2,700.00.
4. Thank you letter from the Bath Area Food bank for the Town's donation of \$1,500.00.

*The above mentioned thank you letters are on file at Town Hall should anyone wish to read them.*

5. Letter from MMA Executive Director, Stephen Gove inviting the Board to vote on the Vice President seat on MMA's Executive Committee as well as three members.

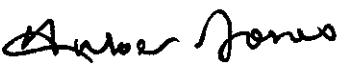
*The Board has the packet. Selectman House, Selectman Young and Administrator Jones stated that they do not know any of the recommendations. No action is needed.*

**IV. Selectmen/Administrator Comments and Announcements:**

**Hazardous Waste Day Stats**

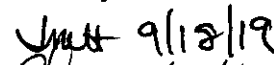


*Hazardous Waste Day was very busy on Saturday. We had 132 cars which is the most cars the Town has ever seen. Did have to turn a few people away; one came in with barrels of motor oil which was too*

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*much. He did receive good contact information on how to dispose of the oil. Next year we will put something in the flyer about bulk loads and to contact Administrator Jones.*

*Family Fun Day & Road Race - Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Family Day & Road Race is coming up this Sunday with registration beginning at 8 a.m. for the road race and the rest of the activities are from 10 to noon.*

*Seasonal Taxpayers Meeting - August 14<sup>th</sup>*

*Seasonal Taxpayer's Meeting is coming up very soon on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see as many seasonal taxpayers as we can as we want to hear from you. Posters are out. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.*

*List of vacant positions on all Committees*

*Administrator Jones reviewed the list of all vacant committee positions. There is a one one-year appointed position on the Budget Committee; one position on the Community Access TV Committee; two positions on the Community Garden Committee; two positions on the Shellfish Commission, and one position on the Town Landings Committee. Anyone interested in finding the right spot for the proposed Dog Park, please contact Administrator Jones.*

*Selectman House extended condolences to the Watson Family. Todd Watson passed away last week. Selectman Young mentioned that the Blessing of the Fleet & Boat Parade at Sebasco Harbor on August 18<sup>th</sup>. There is also the closure on Berry's Mill Road until August 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

*Selectman Mixon pointed out to those who use the Meadowbrook Landing for launching of their boats and vessels, that there is additional parking up on top of the hill, around the corner, between the signs. Please be courteous of the landowners there. Park in the Parking Lot and if it's full go up around the corner on top of the hill.*

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

1. Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants
2. Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for April 17th, 2019
3. June 2019 Treasurer's report

**Vote: Selectman Young motioned to approve and sign the Payroll and Accounts Payable Warrants, Selectmen's Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report above. Selectman House seconded Payroll & Accounts Payable Warrants as well as the Treasurer's Report, which passed by a vote of 3-0. Selectman Mixon seconded the April 17<sup>th</sup> Minutes, which passed by a vote of 2-0.**


4. Letter of Support for the Sportsmen's Club Games of Chance application.

*Selectman Young stated that they will be meeting with the Planning Board at their meeting. They want to send in the application the next day, which is Wednesday.*

**Vote: Selectman House motioned to sign the Letter of Support above which was seconded by Selectman Mixon with the understanding that they won't submit the application until after the Planning Board has made their decision.**

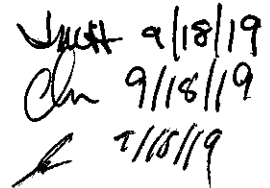
*Discussion was held as to why it needed to go before the Planning Board if the Selectmen were signing in support. Selectman Young explained that it needed approval from both. Selectman Mixon stated*

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*that the Board is not answering the legality piece with their letter. We are saying to the State that we endorse the Sportsman's Club to do this. Marie Varian reminded the Board that it may not be a new business situation. Selectman Mixon said that the Board was trying to work within their timeline. If it is judged that they do need to go through a new business situation, it must have a public hearing. The Planning Board is going to look at this very closely. The Planning Board will ask the Sportsman's Club for their certification to see what it says. They are on the Planning Board Agenda.*

**Motion passed by a vote of 3-0.**

**VI. Executive Session**

1. Per M.R.S.A. 405 6A meet in Executive session to conduct an Employee Performance Review.

**Vote: At 6:32 p.m. Selectman Young motioned to go into Executive Session above which was seconded by Selectman House and passed by a vote of 3-0.**

**Adjournment**

**Vote: At 7:47 p.m. the Board came out of Executive session and Selectman House motioned to adjourn which was seconded by Selectman Young and passed by a vote of 3-0.**