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## **Board of Selectmen Minutes 02/11/2015**

## <u>Town of Buxton</u> <u>Minutes for February 11, 2015 Selectmen's Meeting</u>

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Members Present: Clifford L. Emery, Jean C. Harmon, Peter E. W. Burns, Dennis P. Santolucito Penny J. Booker was absent

Others Present: Dave Harmon, Nathan Schools

## Selectmen's Meeting Agenda

#### • Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

## • Pledge of Allegiance

Selectman Emery led the recital.

## • Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 4, 2015 Approved 4-0-1

## • Discussion held between 5:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Chief Grovo came in and met with the Board to discuss some personnel issues.

Then an employee came in and the Board went over some issues with him.

A representative from Girls Softball was in along with the Trustees of Town Farm Park. They met with the Board and discussed the issues we have at the park and what needs to be done. Selectman Emery said this is going to be an ongoing project.

The Selectmen talked about a proposed Charter change that Peter Burns has drafted for them to review.

## • Review of Correspondence

- Legislative Bulletin Volume No. 4 from Maine Municipal Association
- York County Emergency Management Agency Press Release Re: Shoveling roofs
- Email from Maine Municipal Association Re: Governor holding Town Hall-type meeting to discuss comprehensive tax reform proposal
- Letter from MMA Re: Public Hearings scheduled for Governor's proposed budget
- Correspondence from Anne Wright, Assistant Director, Maine Municipal Employees Health Trust Re: Anthem Data Breach
- Email from Peter Coughlan, Director Maine Local Roads Center, Maine DOT Re: Maine DOT News for towns/cities

## • Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Santolucito spoke briefly about the SAD 6 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting he attended last week and noted that the meeting that was scheduled for tomorrow night has been cancelled. Selectman Santolucito also reported that he went over to the Public Works garage to talk with Tom Kennie and the crew. He told him how appreciative we all are for the good work they are doing.

Selectman Harmon reported that she has been working on her pieces of the Administration Budget trying to get those finished up. She said she brought to Fred Farnham's attention an ice dam on the front of the building that he is keeping an eye on to make sure we don't run into any issues.

Selectman Harmon talked about how high snowbanks are and urged people to be cautious. She said the road crews will get at them as soon as they can.

Selectman Burns reported he has been keeping up with mail, working on a proposed Charter change, and working on his portion of the administrative budget. He said he will try to go to Augusta next week to attend some of the Legislative Hearings. He also mentioned the SAD 6 Budget Advisory Committee meeting that he attended last week.

Selectman Burns shared a personal experience and talked about the dangers of pulling a vehicle out into the road when you cannot see anything because the snowbanks are so high. He encouraged people to get out and shovel the top off the snowbankings enough so you can see the road clearly before pulling out into the road. He also reminded people to consider their roofs and get them shoveled off if the snow is building up on them.

Selectman Emery said he has tried to come in as much as possible and keeps up-to date on what is going on by calling in and talking to other Selectmen whenever he can. He said everyone working for the Town is doing a good job.

#### • Old Business

None

#### • New Business

None

### • Executive Orders

E.O. 141502008 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation time for Tashia Pinkham Approved 4-0-1

## • Executive Orders by Initiative

None

#### • Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 141502006 – An order approving expenditures as documented in the Accounts Payable Warrant #072 in the amount of \$80,647.33

Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 141502007 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #071 in the amount of \$51,641.07 Approved 4-0-1

## • Next Meeting of the Board

Buxton Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 17 at 6:30 PM in the large meeting room at Town Hall

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00 PM

## Other Business

Buxton Town Hall will be closed Monday, February 16, and the Transfer Station will be closed Tuesday, February 17 for Presidents' Day.

There will be no change in the curbside pick-up schedule.

Buxton Recreation has snowshoes available to rent here at Town Hall. If the Recreation Director is not there, any one of the clerks in the front office can help you with that. We also have Smitty's Movie Tickets for \$7 instead of \$9; Lost Valley or Mt. Abram Ski Tickets for \$25 as opposed to \$40; and Attitash, Wildcat or Mt. Cranmore in New Hampshire Tickets are \$10 off their regular price. We also have Portland Dine Around Cards that we sell for \$25 instead of the regular price of \$29.95.

The Public Hearing that the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board were supposed to have Monday night, February 9 was cancelled due to the weather. Selectman Harmon said it has not been re-scheduled yet. Selectman Emery thinks it will probably be done around the first of March.

<ul> <li>Public Comments and Question</li> </ul>
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None

## • Executive Session

None

#### • Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:16 PM Approved 4-0-1 paste minutes here