Town of Buxton Agenda March 20th, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

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Recorded by Hunter Cox

Members Present: Chad E. Poitras, Frank E. Pulsoni, Mark J. Blier, Thomas J. Peters, David A. Field

Others in attendance:

Called to Order at 7:05

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

March 13th, 2024

Approved 5-0

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

4:00PM -

4:30PM - Chief Nate Schools-New Fire Truck, plan for old fire truck

5:00PM -

5:30PM - Jan Hill, Superintendent Clay Gleason-Buxton Hollis Historical Society

Plans for Old School House, School Budget, School Resource Officer Request

6:00PM -

6:50PM - Executive Session MRSA 405-6A-Personnel Issue

Review of Correspondence

- Email From MMA: Verbal Judo, Risk Management RMS Express, Manufactured Housing Training, PFAS in Maine Webinar
- Email From MSAD 6: BAC Packet, BoD Meeting Agenda, Town Meeting Schedule
- Email From MAOA: Northern Maine Spring Workshop
- Email From Clerk Robert B. Hunt: Weekly Legislative Bulletin
- Emails From MTCCA: New Clerks Training Workshop

- Email From MWDA: Spring Training Seminar
- Email From Susanne K. Meidel: Maine Water Quality Standards Proposals
- Email From Tammy Sobiecki: Road Salt/Sand Purchasing Info.
- Email From MTCMA: Scholarship Info
- Email From MACA: Animal Control Annual Meeting

Projects and Issues-

Selectman Peters- Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday

<u>Selectman Field-</u> Budget Committee Meeting, Trash dumping at Pleasant Point Park Issues, Spoke with PW about upcoming storm readiness.

<u>Selectman Poitras-</u> Discussions with Fire Chief about staffing issues, Discussions with CEO about CE and health code violations and went on a few inspections, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday

Selectman Pulsoni- Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday

<u>Selectman Blier-</u> Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, worked with state on getting reimbursement for repairs to culvert on waterman road, spoke with HR director about staffing and budgets.

Old Business-

<u>Selectman Blier</u>- Last week a question was asked about maybe providing an open line for interested residents to call and ask us questions during our meetings. We investigated the possibility and discovered that other municipalities encountered some major issues with similar programs. Instead, we would like residents to email their questions to our Executive Assistant Hunter Cox or through the Town's website and we will address their questions on air.

New Business-

Superintendent Clay Gleason will be here April 24th at 7pm to discuss the MSAD 6 School Budget.

<u>Selectman Blier-</u>We received a request for a stop sign replacement on Tall Pines Drive. We turned that over to the PW director to investigate and we will decide once we have heard back from him.

There are also some Zoning changes that we will be putting through as a warrant article at the Town Meeting in June. These proposed changes are available on the planning board website.

<u>Chad Poitras-</u>We received a letter and signatures from residents living on Rt. 202. The letter addresses some complaints about noise levels and road conditions. We have read and considered the requests. Since this is a state road, there is not much that we can do, but we will be forwarding this letter and the petition to the relevant State authorities. We will let you know when we hear from them.

Executive Orders-

E.O. 2425003010- An order to appoint Michael Pettis to the Position of Appeals Board Member, such appointment to be effective until December 31st, 2026.

Approved 5-0

Executive Orders by Initiative-

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 2425003011- An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #76 In the Amount of \$141,190.91

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425003012- An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #75
In the Amount of \$91,680.14

Approved 5-0

Next Meeting of the Board

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, March 27th at 7pm

The Next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Monday, March 25th at 7pm

The Next Budget Committee Meeting will be a workshop held Thursday, March 21st, at 6pm

Public Comment and Questions

<u>Ellen Dacotis-</u> I have a few updates about Aging in Buxton. We are continuing the food box program for senior citizens in Buxton age 60 and over. If you are in that category, you qualify to receive a monthly food box of nonperishable and produce at the Public Works building the first Monday of every month. If you are interested, please call 207-579-0854.

I also have a few resident questions. There was a meeting in Hollis a couple of weeks ago to discuss the Salmon Falls Bridge replacement, and also the noise and traffic situation. Does anyone know how that meeting went? Will we be having a similar meeting for Buxton?

<u>Selectman Blier</u>- Our public works Director went, and I don't have much information that everyone hasn't already been told. They are going to redirect traffic on 4A and do their best to redirect additional flow. They will also be moving some of the stop lines back, so that trucks can make the turns easier. They will also be doing some road repairs before and after the project. We will not be having a similar meeting just for Buxton.

<u>Ellen Dacotis-</u> Have we had any updates about the Dam? Are there agencies reviewing their proposals?

<u>Selectman Blier</u>- They are in the process of surrendering their license to FERC. From what I know, they are still in the study phase, and will be for some time, maybe into 25-26. There haven't really been any changes to their plans since they addressed us last. They are just going through the process outlined by the government.

We would also like to thank you, Ellen, for all that you do for our senior community in Buxton!

Executive	Session-	(N	one))
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Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:34pm

Approved 5-0	
Thomas I. Peters, Selectman	Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

David A. Field Selectmar

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