Town of Buxton Agenda June 14th, 2023 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

This meeting will be streamed on the Saco River Community Media at https://www.src-tv.org/

Recorded by Hunter Cox

Members Present: Francis E. Pulsoni, Chad E. Poitras, David A. Field

Others in attendance:

Called to Order at 7:00

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Police Chief Kevin Collins- Presentation on Emergency Communications Upgrade

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

June 7th, 2023

Approved 3-0-2

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

4:00PM -

4:30PM - Grace Bibber

5:00PM - General Business

5:30PM - Boys Scouts- Flag Presentation at Town Meeting

6:00PM -

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Review of Correspondence

- Email From BFR: Monday Message
- Emails From MMA: Legislative Bulletin
- Email From Robert Hunt: Weekly Legislative Report
- Email From RHR Smith and Company: Single Audit Webinar
- Email From Maine Government Finance Officers Association: Training Workshop
- Email From Maine Community Media Association: HR 3557 information
- Email From Maine Local Government Human Resources Association: HR Workshop
- Email From Maine Fire Chiefs Association: Training and luncheon

Projects and Issues-

Selectman Poitras- Still working on cemetery fence repair, spoke with residents about pothole issues throughout town

Selectman Field- Bar Mills Dam Decommission Meeting, Public works updates

Selectman Blier- N/A

Selectman Peters- N/A

Selectman Pulsoni-. Meetings with HR Dir and Police Chief

Old Business-

Trash cans should be delivered about the 2nd week in July, and automated pick-up will commence in August.

Transfer Station will be closed July 4th, but will open on July 5th

New Business-

Bar Mills Dam Decommission-

*Selectman Field-*They will be doing studies on Fish, erosion plan, water quality, structures at the site, and dry hydrants. They have not finished the process yet, and the actual decommission will not start until at least 2025. They have to do a number of studies first. They also said that they will insure any remaining dam and structures that will be left, for liability purposes.

Martha Muldoon- They are going to take out half the dam and the powerhouse, but they will leave everything else. They are going to be doing a lot of studies, and people can have input on that until the end of the month. They are doing the deconstruction because they don't want to have to build a fish ladder, but they will have to put one in the West Buxton dam. They don't want to tear the whole dam down, even though a lot of people want it all torn out.

Executive Orders-

E.O. 2223006008 – An order to appoint Kert Jackson to the position of Deputy Building Inspector, effective June 7th, 2023

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006009 – An order to appoint Kert Jackson to the position of Deputy Plumbing Inspector, effective June 7th, 2023

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006010- An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Hunter Cox

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006011- An order to approve the bid of Coastal Road Repair LLC, and enter into a 1-year contract From July 2023 through June 30, 2024 for Crack Sealing of roads.

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006012- An order to approve the bid of Dayton Sand and Gravel, and enter into a 1-year contract From July 2023 through June 30, 2024 for pavement

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006013- An order to approve the hire of Kaleb Facteau to the position of Full-Time Transfer Station Laborer at the rate of \$19.11/hr.

Approved 3-0-2

Executive Orders by Initiative-None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 2223006014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #101 In the Amount of: \$83,833.33

Approved 3-0-2

E.O. 2223006015- An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #102 In the Amount of: \$89,440.48

Approved 3-0-2

Next Meeting of the Board

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, June 21st at 7pm

The Next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Monday, June 26th at 7pm

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, June 17th at 9am

Public Comment and Questions

Martha Muldoon- There are not a lot of citizens that attend these meetings. Why are we meeting every week. A lot of towns have the meetings twice a month. I think a lot more people would attend if the meetings were bi-weekly.

Selectman Pulsoni- I don't think more people would show up to meetings if it was bi-weekly. We have so much business that needs to be done every week that we couldn't keep up with it if we met bi-weekly. Its also in the charter that we have to meet weekly.

Martha Muldoon- Ok, but it also says that the charter should be reviewed every 7 years, and the last time the charter was changed was in 2007, which was 13 years ago.

Selectman Poitras- There was a review a few years ago, but no action was taken.

Martha Muldoon- There was a review, but no changes were made. Can we look into starting up another commission to review the charter. Also, can we get the agenda out sooner, because some information does not get out into the town soon enough. Clay Gleason, the school superintendent, met in this meeting awhile ago, and nobody knew. That was an important meeting, and citizens should have been here to question him. Can we have the agenda put out on Monday? Also, for anyone who wants to know, I do my own minutes and also post useful information on the facebook page "Concerned citizens of Buxton" and I do a newsletter. I also will be giving information about the Dam, and the School Budget.

Selectmen- Thank You, Martha

Executive Session-

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:51

Approved 3-0-2

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman	Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman		
Mark J. Blier, Selectman	David A. Field, Selectman		
Chad E. Poitras, Selectman			
Date Signed: Video Taned by David Blais			

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