

*Town of Buxton
Minutes December 1, 2021
Selectmen's Meeting*

This meeting is streamed on the Saco River Community Media at <https://www.src-tv.org/>

*Special Town Meeting
(See attached warrant)*

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, John Bartlett, Cliff Emery, and Henry Huntley

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 8:22PM

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

November 17, 2021

Approved 4 – 0, Selectman Blier was absent

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:30PM Chief Schools was in regarding the ARPA money. Selectman Blier explained the process for the ARPA funds and how it will require a vote by the residents at a town meeting.

At 5:00PM Treasurer Kim Beam came in to discuss 50 Chicopee Road. The Board went into executive session on this issue at 5:04PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F), and out at 5:15PM

At 5:30PM the Board went into executive session with the town attorney on a personnel issue at 5:18PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), and out at 6:45PM.

Review of Correspondence

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- *Email from Monday Message from Chief Schools*
- *Email from Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition, Re: Healthy holiday tips*
- *Email from Saco River Community Media, Re: Monthly News & Updates*
- *Email from Novel Energy Solutions, Re: Solar options*
- *Email from Tony Vigue, RE: SRC-TV Reimbursement*
- *Maine Town & City Magazine; RE: November 2021 issue*
- *Email from Department of Environmental Protection, Re: December Newsletter*

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

*E.O. 212212003 – An order to approve Peter Gordon to attend Maine Building Officials and Inspectors Association (MBOIA) Annual Meeting and Training.
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 212212004 – An order to approve an application for Widow of a Veteran Exemption for [Map 1 Lot 133]
Approved 4 – 0 - 1, Selectman Blier abstained*

*E.O. 212212005 – An order to approve an Abatement of Personal Property taxes for 2021/22 in the amount of \$5,092.02 for [Account # 66]
Approved 4 – 0 -1, Selectman Blier abstained*

*E.O. 212212006 – An order to approve the hire of Jack Stephen as a full time Firefighter/EMT with the Buxton Fire-Rescue Department effective November 30, 2021 at a rate of \$16.51/hour.
Approved 5 - 0*

*E.O. 212212007 – An order to approve the hire of Nicholas Hegarty as a full time Firefighter/EMT with Buxton Fire-Rescue Department effective December 3, 2021 at a rate of \$19.04/hour.
Approved 5 - 0*

Executive Orders by Initiative

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E.O. 212212008 An order to adopt changes to the Personnel Policy, effective December 1, 2021.
Approved 5- 0

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212212001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #43 & 45
Approved 5 - 0

Warrant #43 is in the amount of \$146,513.45

Warrant #45 is in the amount of \$40,245.81

E.O. 212212002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #42 & 44
Approved 5 - 0

Warrant #42 is in the amount of \$72,556.66

Warrant #44 is in the amount of \$75,740.60

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, December 8, at 7:00PM

The next Department Head Meeting will be Thursday, December 2, at 10:00AM

Planning Board meeting will be Monday, December 13, at 7:00PM

Other Business

Rabies Vaccination Clinic, this Saturday, December 4, 2021 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Buxton Public Works Garage, located at 215 Portland Road, Buxton.
\$8.00 per Vaccination – CASH ONLY. Dogs must be on a leash & Cats must be in carriers.
For more information, please call the Buxton Town Hall at 929-6171.

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Join us for Wreaths Across America, on Saturday, December 18 at 10:00AM at the South Buxton Cemetery (Woodman Section) located on Woodman Road, Bar Mills. For more information or to purchase a wreath for our Veterans, please call 207-929-6495.

Public Comments and Questions

Cliff Emery asked the board about the ARPA money. It was his understanding that the ARPA money was put into place for businesspeople in each community who were affected by the pandemic. For businesses forced to closed their door. Some businesses did utilize the the PPP program. He asked if the Board has reached out to those individual businesses and asked how the pandemic affected their business? That's what the money was for. If we are a business-friendly community, lets help the businesses flourish. Use the money to help them, that's what the town received the money for. Not for lets look at what the town can gain from this, but what the town can gain by helping local businesses who suffered during this time.

Selectman Blier gave condolences to the family of Stephen Heroux who was a longtime volunteer for the Town of Buxton. For the past twenty years he was involved with the Board of Appeal as Chairman for the past ten years. He researched, reviewed, and put many hours into creating the Business Designs Standards Committee and four years on the School Board. He will be greatly missed.

Executive Session

none

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 8:35PM

Approved 5 - 0

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

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Date Signed: _____

Video Taped by Harrison Beam