Town of Buxton Agenda October 28, 2020 Selectmen's Meeting

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

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, Jon Bartlett, Patrick Hanna, Richard Fitzgerald

The Selectmen's meeting order at 7:09 PM was called to

The Selectmen recited the Pledge

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for October 21, 2020 Approved 3–0-1 Selectman Pulsoni was absent last week

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:30PM Kevin Kimball was in praising an employee doing a great job and the plan to update the fleet. The Road survey results from Goral Palmer should be back this week.

At 5:00P Chief Schools and Asst. Chief Redlon came in to discuss the daylight savings time and reminding everyone to check the batteries in their smoke detectors. We discussed next year's budget and what the Board will be looking for. The Ladder truck training has started. One of Rescue trucks is up for updating with the last budget cycle but was cut, alternative options were discussed.

Review of Correspondence

- Email from Central Maine Power LED Options, Re: Municipal Street Light program
- Fire Chief's Weekly Message; Re: Reminder when you change your clocks, change your battery and test your smoke detectors.
- Email from Don Willet of Community Solar Advisor, Re: Municipality electric bills

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Review of Projects and Issues

None

Selectman Pulsoni was in and out of the office keeping up with correspondence and dealing with HR issues. He will be reviewing the Social Media Policy with Krystal Dyer and Rec. Director Nicole Welch who maintain our Facebook and website. He also met with Code Officer Peter Gordon regarding a personnel issue.

Selectman Blier received a new quote on the Bar Mills Fire Departments roof project. He coordinated the contract and the liability coverage statement. He also worked with Facilities Manager Kert Jackson on the parking lot lights. We are replacing the four lights that are out, with LED bulbs. He also walk through the Accounts Payable position with Marilyn Holland, seeing if a work from home option would be possible.

Selectman Poitras received a call from a resident with concerns regarding an automotive business operating. He referred question to Code Officer Peter Gordon. He discussed a personnel issue with selectman Pulsoni.

On Saturday, he and his family enjoyed the Halloween Walk put on by the Recreation Department at the Town Farm Park.

Selectman Field had lunch with the Public Works Dept. He said they are getting ready for winter. He also had a discussion with Greg Heffernan regarding a safety issue.

Selectman Peters spoke with Kevin Kimball just about every day this past week. They are finishing up work on Cousins Road and preparing the trucks for the potential snow fall on Friday.

Old Business		
None		
New Business		

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Executive Orders

E.O. 202110029– An order to approve an Abatement of real estate taxes for 2020/21 in the amount of \$84.64 for [Map 10, Lot 126-2]

Approved 4–0-1, Selectman Blier abstained

E.O. 202110030– An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 9, Lot 10-3]

Approved 4–0-1 Selectman Blier abstained

E.O. 202110031 - Deleted

Executive Order by Initiative:

E.O. 202110032 - An order to approve a pay increase for Christopher E. Gaudet from \$19.10 to \$19.60 per hour, effective November 1, 2020.

Approved 5–0

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 202110027– An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #36
Approved 5–0

In the amount of \$23,210.25

E.O. 202110028 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #35

Approved 5–0

In the amount of \$70,895.09

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, November 4, at 7:00PM

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Other Business

POLLS OPEN Next Tuesday, November 3rd form 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Buxton Town Hall, 185 Portland Road. For more information, call the Town Hall at 929-6171

ELECTION DAY INFORMATION from Town Clerk, John Myers: The following Town of Buxton Departments and Town Hall Offices WILL BE CLOSED on Election Day, November 3, 2020: Transfer Station, Selectmen, General Assistance, Building Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Code Enforcement, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Town Treasurer, Payroll and Accounts Payable. These services will be closed to reduce motor vehicle and foot traffic, due to COVID-19.

FOOT TRAFFIC: ALL BUXTON VOTERS will enter the Town Hall from the right side of the building when facing the front of Town Hall and the left side of the building when in the back of Town Hall, the Building Inspector's hallway, on the Transfer Station side of Town Hall. Voters will move forward, down the hallway to the voting room as space becomes available. Voters must always maintain six-foot social distancing. Voters are strongly encouraged and asked to wear a face covering. After voting, all voters exit the back doors of the voting room to the back-parking lot.

The Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Buxton Municipal Building, 185 Portland Road, on Thursday, October 29 from 1:30PM to 4:30PM; on Friday, October 30 from 1:30PM to 4:30PM; and on Monday, November 2, from 1:30PM to 5:00PM; in order to receive new registrations, enrollments, and changes in name and address for the November 3, 2020 State of Maine referendum Election.

The first half of the tax payments that were due on October 10th that are still outstanding, will start collecting interest if not paid by October 30, 2020.

The Buxton Toy Box applications will be available on Wednesday, November 4 at 11:30AM.

Public Comments and Questions

Richard Fitzgerald gave a weekly COVID-19 update.

Executive Session

None

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Date Signed:	