Town of Buxton Minutes February 3, 2021 Selectmen's Meeting

Minutes Selectmen's Meeting

This meeting will be 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, Mark J. Blier, Francis E. Pulsoni and David A. Field

Others in attendance: Jon Bartlett,

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Quarterly Report by Greg Heffernan

Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan said residence are still reluctant to wear a mask at the Transfer Station. He announced that everyone entering the Transfer Station grounds MUST wear a mask. This includes drivers and passengers even if you remain in your vehicle. They have been directed to contact the police department to handle the matter.

The Share shop remains open for books only. He asked that residents limit their shopping time to five minutes per person and observe the four (4) person maximum capacity. Clothing is no longer accepted at the Share Shop.

Clynk bags and tags used for Keep The Heat On can be picked up at the town office. Full bags should be dropped off at Hannaford. Returnable bottles and cans dropped off at the Transfer Station are given to two local Boy Scouts Troops.

We had a 21.1% increase in curbside trash tonnage, due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. With more people working and schooling from home, doing renovation projects, cleaning out attics, garages and basements. All these contribute to the increase of trash being put out for curbside pickup.

Last note, if putting trash out in white bags during a snowstorm, please mark it somehow with a big red "X" making it visible to trash collection workers and Plow truck drivers.

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Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2021 Approved 5–0

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:00PM Transfer Station Director Greg Heffernan was in for Budget Review At 5:00PM Ruth Scheibenpflug was in to review Voter Registration Budget Review.

At 5:30PM the Board was in a Zoom meeting with RHR Smith, Audit Review. Selectman Poitras said the towns cautious position has put us in a much better position than other towns. All that work was not in vain.

At 6:00PM Town Clerk, John Myers was in for the Budget Review

Review of Correspondence

- Email from Chief Schools BFR Monday message
- Email from Maine Municipal Association Legislative Bulletin, Re: January 29, 2021
- Email from Robert Hunt, Clerk of the House, Weekly Legislative Report
- Email from Shelley Winchenbach of Charter Communications, Re: Upcoming Changes
- Community Television Association of Maine (CTAM)Re: Newsletter
- Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition Re: Monthly Newsletter
- Letter from Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry, Re: Brown Tail Moth Caterpillars in Maine
- Email from MaineDOT, Re: flashing cross walk signs.

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Peters spoke with the Public Works Director Kevin Kimball regarding the storm and a personnel issue. It has been resolved. It was great to see the ladder truck in operation.

Selectman Field talked with the Public Works Director and with Ruth Scheibenpflug in regard to Town Farm Park. He shared what his park committee has done at Pleasant Point Park that might help the Town Farm Park Committee.

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Selectman Blier did check in with the Public Works Director and reviewed the Town Audit information in preparation for tonight's zoom meeting.

Selectman Pulsoni was in the office working on budgets and he met with Chief Cline on a personnel issue. He spoke with Chief Schools regarding a COVID-19 policy he has been working on and with a dissatisfied resident regarding the trash pick-up service. Transfer Director Greg Heffernan is looking into the issue, trying to rectify the problem.

Selectman Poitras has been working on a personnel issue at Public Works, which has been resolved. Chief Schools informed him on how the ladder truck performed on a fire call and how he is making headway with York County EMA for the COVID-19 vaccine plan.

Selectman Poitras thanked the Public Works Crew for the great job they did during this last storm.

Old Business

New Business

None

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 202102003 – An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 16, Lot 44]

Approved 4–0-1, Selectman Blier abstained

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

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Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 202102001– An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrants #65
Approved 5–0

In the amount of \$18,116.50

E.O. 202102002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrants #64

Approved 5–0

In the amount of \$70,891.64

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, February 10, at 7:00PM

MSAD#6 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting, Thursday, February 4, at 6:00PM by Zoom

Planning Board Meeting Monday, February 8, at 7:00PM

Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 9, at 6:00PM

Other Business

None

Public Comments and Questions

(This section is a platform dealing directly with the Town of Buxton).

None

Executive Session

None

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