Town of Buxton Minutes May 26, 2021 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, and David A. Field

Members Not in Attendance: Francis E. Pulsoni

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, Jon Bartlett, James Maxfield

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

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Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

5:00PM – Chief Schools & Peter Gordon were in for a discussion on a way to change the procedures for Planning Board review. Chief Schools wants to make sure he gets to review a plan at the beginning of the process. This will give him more time to review and to give a written decision.

At 5:30PM the Board went into executive session on a personnel issue at with Chief Schools, per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A)

At 6:00PM the Board and an employee went into executive session on a personnel issue at with Chief Schools, per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A)

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Review of Correspondence

- Email from Robert Hunt, Clerk of the House, Re: Weekly Legislative Report
- Email from Tony Vigue of CTAM, Re: LD920 Amendment Update
- Email from Shelley Winchenbach of Charter Communications, Re: upcoming changes
- Email from MMA, Re: Legislative Bulletin May 21, issue
- Maine Town & City, Re: May 2021 Issue

Projects and Issues

Selectman Peters it was a quiet week, but he did speak with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball regarding a ditching project at a resident's house.

Selectman Field agreed, it has been a slow week, but he did stop in to see Greg Heffernan and Kevin Kimball.

Selectman Poitras spoke with Chief Schools regarding the Code Enforcement Office issue and a hiring issue. He has been working on house foreclosures as well.

Selectman Blier fire engine out to bid and received no bids. He has been actively seeking communities who could use a used fire truck. Limington is interested and another town in northern Maine.

He has been in contact with the contactor who bid to clean up Emery O Ranch. Selectman Blier and Peters will be meeting with them this week.

Selectman Blier has been looking further into next year's budget season in regard to Police wadges. Our officers wages are below the median. They are under waged compared to surrounding communities. Wages are increasing, with the and it will affect the taxes. Public Works will need to be increased as well.

He has been handling issues with trash not being picked up trash on private roads. He is also working with Amanda Schmehl on fuel pricing, so we can lock in a price soon.

Old Business

None

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New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 202105020 – An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Peter Gordon Approved 4 – 0

E.O. 202105021 – An order to appoint Brenda Brown, Patricia Morrison, Darlene Ivy, Bette A. Robicheaw and Dorothy Bell, to the position of Democratic Ballot Clerks to be effective through June 8, 2021. Approved 4 – 0

E.O. 202105022 – An order to appoint Peter E. W. Burns, Mary Spugnardi, Sandra Mergen, Helen Andronaco, and Beverly White to the position of Republican Ballot Clerks to be effective through June 8, 2021. Approved 4 – 0

E.O. 202105023 - An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Kimberly Beam Approved 4 – 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 202105018 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #97 In Approved 4 – 0

the amount of \$80,246.37

E.O. 202105019– An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #96 Approved 4 – 0

In the amount of \$72,701.50

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Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, June 2, at 7:00PM

MSAD#6 District Budget Meeting on Thursday, May 27 at Bonny Eagle High School; starting at 6:00PM

Other Business

Absentee Ballots are available for the June 8, 2021 Town and School elections.

The Buxton Town Office will be Closed on Monday, May 31, and the Transfer Station will be Closed Tuesday, June 1, 2021 in observance of Memorial Day.

Public Comments and Questions

Representative Nathan Carlow gave the Board an update of what is happening in the legislature.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:45PM Approved 5 - 0

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

David A. Field, Selectman

Date Signed: _____

Video Taped by Harrison Beam