Town of Buxton Minutes July 21, 2021 Selectmen's Meeting This meeting is streamed on the Saco River Community Media at <u>https://www.src-tv.org/</u>

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, John Bartlett, Richard Fitzgerald, James Maxfield, Roland Turgeon, and Patrick Hanna

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

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for the following: June 23, 2021, Approved 5 - 0 June 30, 2021, Approved 3 - 0 - 2 Selectmen Peters and Blier abstained July 7, 2021, Approved 3 - 0 - 2 Selectmen Blier and Field abstained July 14, 2021, Approved 3 - 0 - 2, Selectmen Peters and Pulsoni abstained

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:00PM Kevin Kimball was in regarding a ditching situation going on in town. There were discussions regarding the backhoe and cutting healthy trees in towns right of way.

At 5:00PM The Board attended a zoom meeting with Michael Bartner of Revision Energy. They are offering school districts and towns to buy power from them to save 15% for a twenty-year contract. The Board requested more information.

At 5:30PM Chief Cline was in with ideas for recruiting potential police officers to the Buxton. He also shared a letter from York County, who is receiving funds for a proposed Fire EMS and Police training facility. It will be open to any York County community to use.

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Review of Correspondence

- Email from Chief Schools, Re: Iron Man Meeting
- Email from Norma Gilman, Re: MDOT upcoming re-pavement/resurfacing overlay on a portion of routes 202 and 22.
- Email from New England American with Disabilities Act, Re: July Newsletter
- Email from Raegan Young, Re: LD 32
- Email from Terri Wright of CTAM, Re: LD 920
- Email from Jonathan Youde, CMP Rate increase.
- Email from MMA, Re: Maine Town & City, July edition

Projects and Issues

Selectman Poitras spoke with Chief Schools regarding a grant for a new forestry truck, but in the meantime, they are trying to fix the one we have. They also had a discussion regarding a restaurant inspection here in town.

Selectman Field spoke with Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan regarding the grinder with the brush grinding operation. He also spoke with Kevin Kimball.

Selectman Pulsoni enjoyed his vacation last week.

Selectman Blier spoke with the Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan, Public Works Director Kevin Kimball and Mechanic Derik McOscker regarding the backhoe.

While at the Transfer Station, he announced there will be fencing installed by the dumpsters to meet MMA guidelines.

Had a Meeting with the Town of Hollis Select Board regarding shared services to the town. Will be difficult to perform services to Hollis.

He spoke with Tom Trembly of the Police Union regarding the contract negotiation. The plan is to start them earlier this year and have them done by July 2022.

Selectman Peters spoke with Chief Schools on the Iron Man Race competition that is scheduled to pass through Buxton. It is the organizers assumption that each town is responsible for traffic control for the intersections involved throughout the day. Chief Schools has concerns with being shorthanded while using the Town's emergency personnel

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for traffic control during a non-Town function. Selectman Peters also spoke with Chief Cline regarding a automobile accident on Woodman Road.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 212207012 – An order to approve 40 hours of Vacation Leave for John Myers Approved 5- 0

E.O. 212207013 – An order to approve John Myers to attend New England Association of City & Town Clerks Annual Conference. Approved 5- 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212207010 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #7 Approved 5- 0

In the amount of \$48,462.83

E.O. 212207011– An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #6 Approved 5- 0

In the amount of \$78,472.96

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Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, July 28, at 7:00PM

Notice of a Planning Board site walk for a Mobile Home Park on Thursday, July 22 at 6:15pm, located at 476 Parker Farm Road (the corner of Chicopee Road and Parker Farm Road).

Other Business

The Community Parade will be on Saturday, August 7th. Pick up a registration form at the town hall or contact John Myers with any questions at 929-6171

Public Comments and Questions

Patrick Hanna asked about the special Town meeting Selectman Blier mentioned last week Selectman Blier was corrected, stating there is Planning Board Public Hearing in August regarding ordinance amendments. The amendments will be voted on in November at a Special Town Meeting.

Mr. Hanna also asked who will work on the wording for the ordinance change for the commercial vehicles in the residential district. Selectman Blier said he spoke with the MSAD Superintendent Paul Penna regarding the buses, who said this matter will be taken care of.

There was also a discussion regarding an accessory dwelling unit on Simpson Road that is not in conformance with the town's ordinance.

Richard Fitzgerald updated the Board on COVID -19 and the Delta Variance of the Coronavirus.

He also questions the use of the federally funded Covid19 money coming from the government. He hopes the Board will form a committee to review the options of where to spend the money and what would be best for the town. Selectman Blier said the Board has been discussing possible uses with the Department Heads. Some suggestions are to use is for a water main or water storage tanks for the Fire Department and communication towners. The Town has four years to decide and spend the money, we will take our time to do what's best for our community. There are many ideas on the table that would benefit our community. Mr. Fitzgerald disagrees and the said the Town should start the committees now.

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Jon Bartlett asked when the Public Works Department could do brush cutting on Main Street and other side streets (Towle Street, Fountain Streets, and River Road was mentioned) in the area. It's getting out of hand, the mirrors on our vehicles hit the branch as we drive down the street. Selectman Field said he spoke with Director Kevin Kimball and they had planned on doing Main Street before the parade.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:26PM Approved 5 - 0

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

David A. Field, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Date Signed: _____

Video Taped by Harrison Beam