

*Town of Buxton  
Minutes September 8, 2021*

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

*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: Greg Heffernan, Dave Harmon, John Bartlett, and Patrick Hanna*

*The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:03M*

*The Selectmen recited the Pledge.*

*Quarterly Report presentation by Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan*

*To update the safety protocols, they are currently waiting for an estimate for the new railing system to be installed in front of the dumpsters. This will protect the public from falling into the dumpster area below.*

*He reminded everyone of a recent change in the Curbside Trash Pickup rules, being that all trash must be in trash bags, even if it is in a trash can. This will keep the trash from falling out and blowing all around. No firm decisions have been made regarding trash pick-up on private roads, Greg and the Board will continue to discuss this further.*

*He thanked the Highway Department and especially Chris Fogg for his diligence in cleaning up the brush pile behind the transfer building.*

*Selectman Blier expanded on the private road issue, stating that they are discussing expanding more services to private roads. Further details to be worked out.*

*Approval of Prior Meeting Minute*

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for September 1, 2021  
Approved 5 - 0*

*Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM*

*At 4:00PM to 5:00PM the Board attended the Buxton 250 Committee meeting. This is a committee planning Buxton's two hundred and fiftieth birthday, scheduled for August 2022.*

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*At 5:00PM Chief Cline and Sergeant Collins came in and the Board went into executive session on a personnel issue at 5:05PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), and out at 5:35PM.*

*At 5:40PM a resident from Town Farm Road was in to inquire about purchasing a small portion of town owned land that abuts his property. He would like to build a garage.*

*At 6:00PM Greg Heffernan was in to talk about his presentation.*

*Review of Correspondence*

- *Email from Maine CDC; Re: Arboviral report*
- *Email from Jennifer Langland of MaineDOT, Re: Federal Infrastructure Update*
- *Email from Charter Communications, Re: upcoming changes*
- *Email from RMS Loss Control, Re: Cybersecurity*
- *Email from Larry David of CSI Estimation, LLC, Re: Stress-less Business Proposal*
- *Email from Column Newsletter, Re: The latest information of smarter building*
- *Email from Maine Department of Labor, Re: Hiring Strategies*
- *Email from Chief Schools, Re: Monday Message*
- *Email from Steve Machesney, Re: Investor-owned properties*
- *Email from Tammy Chamberlain of MaineDOT, Re: Offering Air Brake Seminars*

*Projects and Issues*

*Selectman Poitras worked with Angela Michie and John Myers for the Buxton 250 meeting earlier this evening. Chief schools for a personnel issue and John Myers regarding protocols to better ourselves.*

*Selectman Field spoke with Greg Heffernan on prices of disposing trees and brush. He was also able to speak with Kevin Kimball regarding the paving of Boynton Road, a portion of River Road.*

*Selectman Pulsoni attended the mandatory HR and FMLA training this morning. He had a lengthy conversation with Chief Cline regarding a personnel issue. He also spoke with Chief Schools. Other than that he was out of office all weekend.*

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*Selectman Blier fielded phone calls from residents regarding the TIF. He added that the Board is not in favor of the TIF but will seek information from the town attorneys. The Solar company has agreed to pay the attorney fees for this meeting.*

*He attended the Department Head meeting last Thursday morning, saying the Roadside trash pick-up contract runs out next year. He looked in to the possibility of moving it in house.. There will be a special town meeting soon to reconcile a budget that went over budget due to COVID-19.*

*Selectman Peters spoke with Chief Schools last Friday regarding the vaccine mandate. It deadline has now been pushed off until October 29<sup>th</sup>. He also spoke with Chief Cline regarding a personnel issue.*

*Old Business*

*None*

*New Business*

*None*

*Executive Orders*

*E.O. 212209006 – An order to approve Grace Bibber to attend Maine Recreation & Parks Association Fall Workshop Annual Meeting*

*Approved 5 - 0*

*E.O. 212209007 – An order to approve 16 hours of Vacation Leave for John Myers*

*Approved 5 - 0*

*E.O. 212209008 – An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Greg Heffernan*

*Approved 5 - 0*

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*Executive Orders by Initiative*

*None*

*Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants*

*E.O. 212209004 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #21*

*Approved 5 - 0*

*In the amount of \$63,963.13*

*E.O. 212209005 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #20*

*Approved 5 - 0*

*In the amount of \$67,478.78*

*Next Meeting of the Board*

*The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, September 15, at 7:00PM*

*The Planning Board meeting will be on Monday, September 13 at 7:00PM*

*Other Business*

*Blood Drive on Monday, September 20 from 1:00PM to 6:00PM at the Town Hall*

*Flu shot clinic Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 1:00PM to 2:00PM at the Town Hall at 185 Portland Rd in Buxton. The vaccine is FREE with proof of insurance. Anyone attending the clinic will be required to wear a mask and social distance at all times.*

*Selectman Blier clarified that the Attorney coming to talk about the TIF is from Drummond/Woodsum and the solar company will be paying the attorney fees.*

*Public Comments and Questions*

*None*

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*Executive Session*

*None*

*Adjournment*

*Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:18PM*

*Approved 5 - 0*

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*Thomas J. Peters, Selectman*

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*Mark J. Blier, Selectman*

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*David A. Field, Selectman*

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*Chad E. Poitras, Selectman*

*Date Signed:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Video Taped by Harrison Beam*