

Town of Buxton
Minutes for October 4, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting

Prepared by: Krystal Dyer

Members Present: Dennis P. Santolucito, Chad E. Poitras, Jean C. Harmon, Clifford L. Emery, Mark J. Blier

Others Present: Ellen H. Decotiis, Peter Burns

Public Hearing 7:00 PM

The Selectmen are requesting public comments and questions on amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance Appendix (A – D) which list the maximum overall level of assistance for all Municipalities in the State.

A motion was made to open the public hearing at 7:05

Approved 5-0

Selectman Santolucito explained that each Municipality is required by law to adopt the MMA Model General Assistance Ordinance and Appendices every year after notices are posted and a public hearing is held.

The Ordinance and Appendices include:

- Appendix A, which lists overall maximum levels of assistance for all municipalities in the State and;*
- Appendices B, C, & D which list maximum amounts allowed for food, housing and utilities.*

Most of the maximum levels have decreased. The amount of decrease varies depending on the makeup of the household, income, and other factors. Having no questions or comments, the public hearing closed at 7:07 PM.

Approved 5-0

Selectmen's Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

The Selectman's meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board led the Pledge of allegiance.

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Selectman Santolucito opened the bids for the Chicopee Fire Station roof with the following results:

<i>Quinn's Installation Contractors</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Re-shingle</i>	<i>\$14,260.00</i>
		<i>No Metal roof quote submitted</i>	
<i>Superior Roofing</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Re-shingle</i>	<i>\$11,120.00</i>
<i>" "</i>		<i>Metal</i>	<i>\$23,400.00</i>
<i>Doten's Construction</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Re-shingle</i>	<i>\$22,450.00</i>
<i>" "</i>		<i>Metal</i>	<i>\$37,950.00</i>

The Board and the Fire Chief will review and make a decision at the next meeting.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

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Approved 5-0

4. Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.

5:00 PM – Karen James of Great Falls Construction gave an update on the Town Hall/Police Department addition project. Selectman Harmon said all of the pieces of the project have been bid out for a total construction cost of \$430,889.00. A contract has been signed and they will be breaking ground on Monday October 9, 2017.

At 5:46 PM the Board went into Executive Session on a personnel matter, per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A) with Chief Schools. The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:05 PM.

At 6:30 PM the Selectmen and Code Officer Peter Gordon were involved in a discussion with a resident regarding zoning and ordinance issues.

5. Review of Correspondence

- Email from Jonathan Youde, Program Officer of Maine Power Options concerning M.P.O's expiring electrical contracts. Selectman Harmon said the rates are a little bit higher than what they have been, however there is not much that can be done about it unless the town wants to shop around. This takes time and the Board has seen a saving this year. The increase is not that significant that the Town would want to start shopping around. The Board may want to decide whether they want to*

participate in one, two or three year contracts. The Board will have further discussion on this.

- *Email from David Francoeur, Deputy Director, EMA – Re: Public Safety Advocate: "When All Else Fails, There is Ham Radio"*

6. Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Emery checked in with Krystal Dyer a few times this week. Stopped in to see Gregg Heffernan at the Transfer Station. He also stopped by the Fire Station to see Chief Schools and then met with the Public Works Director Tom Kennie on a few projects. He followed up with Chief Troy Cline concerning the addition.

Selectman Harmon will be spending more time in the office this coming week. Suggests meeting with the two individuals that are interested in the Charter Review Committee within the next two weeks as we would like to get started soon. Krystal Dyer will contact the two members about coming in next Wednesday evening. She also followed up with the Fire Chief on an issue brought to the Selectmen's attention by the Code Enforcement Officer.

Selectman Poitras talked with Tom Kennie, Public Works Director, in regards to coverage for the upcoming snow season. Spoke to both the Fire Chief and the Police Chief, who updated the Board of a very informative neighborhood watch meeting last Thursday. He spoke to Max Brody, owner of the Buxton Common, who is preparing to frame up new portion of the building for the restaurant area. He also stated that there is a new daycare coming in on Portland Road.

Selectman Blier spoke with Code Officer Peter Gordon on some upcoming issues and stopped in to the Public Works garage to see the sand blasted trucks. The truck bodies look really good.

Selectman Santolucito attended the MMA Convention and went to all the assessing seminars, one of the most interesting sessions was on tree growth. The Maine Forest Service is aggressively reaching out to Municipalities. They will answer any questions and will come out to check on harvesting operations and ensure there is a tree growth plan in place. Monday and Tuesday he stopped in to the Town Office and checked in with the Fire Chief. On Saturday he stopped in to see Greg at the transfer station. They are doing a great job and are very helpful to the residents.

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7. Old Business

Charter Review Committee

Aging in Place – AARP Program packets will be out on Monday

8. New Business

9. Executive Orders

E.O. 171810003 -- An order to approve an application for Veteran Exemption for [Map 1, Lot 134D-1]

Approved 5-0

E.O. 171810004 – An order to approve an application for a non-transferrable Automobile Graveyard or Junkyard for the following entity: Alexander Filatov d/b/a Atlantic Motors LLC.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 171810005 – An order to approve Chief Schools to attend the National Fallen Fire Fighter Foundation Memorial on October 6, through October 8, 2017

Approved 5-0

E.O. 171810006 – An order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power Company and Saco River Telephone LLC to construct and maintain 1 pole located on Christian Row, starting at the corner of Parker Farm Road and Christian Row, northeast from Christian Row +/- 450 feet

Approved 5-0

10. Executive Orders by Initiative

E.O.171810007 An order to adopt the Maine Municipal Association model ordinance GA Appendices (A-D) for the period of October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018

Approved 5-0

11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 171810001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #30

Approved 5-0

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The amount was \$166,471.99.

Included was the \$111,000.00 for the bond principal and interest payment for the garage.

E.O. 171810002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #29

Approved 5-0

The amount was \$56,605.72

12. Next Meeting of the Board

12 Town Group Meeting Monday October 9 at 6:30 PM at Waterboro Town Hall

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, October 11 at 7:00 PM

13. Other Business

Town Office will be closed Monday, October 9, and the Transfer Station will be closed Tuesday, October 10 for Columbus Day.

There will be no change in the Curbside Trash Pick-up schedule.

The Board is looking for five (5) volunteers who are interested in serving on a Charter Review Committee to review the Town Charter and recommend updates. Interested persons should send a letter of interest to the Buxton Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093.

We still have one vacancy on the Budget Committee. Interested persons should send a letter of interest to the Buxton Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093.

Absentee ballot applications for the November 7, 2017 State of Maine Referendum Election are available at the Town Hall or on line. For More information contact the Buxton Town Clerks office 929-6171.

The Polls will be open in Buxton on November 7, from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Buxton Town Hall, 185 Portland Road

14. Public Comments and Questions

Ellen Decotiis informed the Board of two issues regarding education that will have a significant impact on the Town of Buxton. At last Monday night's School Board meeting there was discussion regarding succession of Frye Island. SAD#6 will allocating a large

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sum of money for legal fees. The second issue is the State Office of Child Development Services has submitted a letter indicating a new model called Part B Services for children between the ages of 3 and 5 years old. Under this new model, the responsibility to educate this age group is on the local school district. There is a deficit and shortage in State level Special Education Department, leaving many children not receiving the services they need. Ms. Decotiis stated the program has already outgrown the space at the Buxton Center School. There was further discussion on the Part B Services for 3 to 5 year olds. Selectman Santolucito suggested involving the Legislatures. The Board thanked Ms. Decotiis for her update.

15. Executive Session

16. Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:38 PM
Approved 5-0

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Date Signed: _____
Videotaped by Kyle Durkin