

Town of Buxton
Minutes for January 17, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others Present: Dave Harmon, Rich Streeter

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Selectmen recited the pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2018

Approved 4-0

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

Chief Schools was in to discussion the Fire Departments upcoming budget items.

The Board went into Executive Session at 5:15 PM, per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (D) regarding a personnel issue with Chief Schools. The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:25 PM.

Chief Schools also updated the board on the refurbishing of the old animal control van. The fire police have it in their possession. They will be painting and outfitting it with a light bar before it put on the road again.

Review of Correspondence

- *Email from State Representative Donald Marean – Weekly Update - He has been actively involved in the Marijuana legalization that has been before the legislation for the past year. They are trying to create a plan that can be upheld by the legislature.*

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The retail portion could be May or be put off until 2019 and the Smoking Parlors could be put off until 2023.

- *Email from Legislative Bulletin*
- *Email from Dave Francoeur – Re: Storm updates*
- *Email from Paul Niehoff – Re: PACTS Transportation Improvement Program*
- *Email update on the Ecology School – There was a meeting on January 16 in Saco, but the town has not been updated on the outcome yet. Selectman Santolucito will follow up with the City Planner.*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Harmon referenced an article in the Legislative Bulletin that as proposed, the bill makes several changes to the pre-foreclosure and post-foreclosure processes which, if enacted could have a significant impact on Municipalities. This would not allow foreclosures on elderly residents. There is a public hearing on Thursday, January 25 at 1pm. Municipal Officials are encouraged to participate in the public hearing.

Selectman Harmon also took a road trip to W. B. Mason with Angela Ricci to look at sit stand workstations. At last year's workstation evaluations, sit stand workstations were recommended for many employees. They will be setting up a demo to use for a week.

Selectman Blier attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting on Monday, January 15. The Committee discussed the use for a parcel of town own land and ways to keep the rural character in our community intact.

He also spoke with Greg Heffernan on his upcoming budget and is currently waiting information they requested from Treasurer, Kim Beam.

Selectman Blier thanked Public Works Director Tom Kennie for the good job they are doing on our roads and keeping people safe.

Selectman Poitras spoke with Tom Kennie stressed that they are doing a great job keeping up with the storms, pushing the banks back, sanding and salting the roads. They are doing a wonderful job.

Selectman Poitras also spoke with Greg Heffernan, concerning a few issues and working with Chief Cline and fielding many emails concerning an incident by the dance studio on River Road in West Buxton.

Selectman Santolucito attended the SAD6 budget advisory committee, it was well represented by Buxton residents. Facilities Committee gave a presentation sewage treatment system that never worked. There is a proposal to replace it with a subsurface

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waste system costing under a million dollars. There was further discussion on a proposal to refresh the science labs at the high school. Buxton's portion of the SAD6 school budget is \$585,664.00

Old Business

None

New Business

The Board will be considering the dedication of the upcoming town report.

Executive Orders

*E.O. 171801012 –An order to approve 31 hours of vacation leave for Nicole Welch
Approved 4-0*

*E.O. 171801013 – An order to approve Nicole Welch to attend Maine Recreation & Parks
Association Spring Conference
Approved 4-0*

*E.O. 171801014 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Peter Gordon
Approved 4-0*

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

*E.O. 171801010 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable
Warrant #61
Approved 4-0*

*The amount was \$668,235.52 which includes Buxton's portion of the SAD#6budget of
\$585,664.00*

*E.O. 171801011 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #60
Approved 4-0*

The amount was \$54,337.20

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Next Meeting of the Board

Board of Selectmen will meet with a resident on Friday, January 19 at 5 PM - Re-schedule from January 12.

The Planning Board will meet on Monday January 22 at 7:00PM

The next Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, January 24 at 7PM

SAD#6 Budget Advisory Committee is Monday, January 22 at 6PM

Other Business

None

Public Comments and Questions

Rich Streeter of lives on the straight section of River Road has noticed two trucks with loud mufflers traveling at a high speed. They were easily driving at 55mph. He is concerned with the safety of the residents and thinking it may possibly be the same vehicle involved with the River Rd incident Selectman Poitras spoke of earlier. Mr. Streeter requested increased law enforcement thinking the increased presents would deter them. Selectman Poitras added it was a very unfortunate incident on a very foggy night.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:25 PM
Approved 4-0

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

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Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Date Signed: _____
Videotaped by Harrison Beam