

*Town of Buxton*  
*Minutes for April 11, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting*

*Recorded by Krystal Dyer*

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

*Members Absent: Dennis Santolucito*

*Others Present: Henry Huntley, Rich Streeter, Ellen DeCotiis and Scott Warchol, David Harmon*

*Call to Order*

*The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*The Selectmen recited the pledge.*

*Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes*

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2018*

*Approved 4-0,*

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

*Resident Brian Dupuis and Code Officer Peter Gordon were in at 5:00 PM to discuss a building permit issue*

*Don Marean stopped in to discuss what has been happening in Augusta*

*Scott Warchol from MDOT visited with the Selectmen*

*At 6:30 PM Stephen Heroux of the Business Design Standards stopped in to discuss new ideas with the Business Design Standards program.*

*Review of Correspondence*

- *Email from Bruce Flaherty – Re: Spirit of America award*
- *Email from Robert Hunt – Re: Weekly Legislative Report*
- *Email from MMA – Re: legislative Bulletin*
- *Email from Don Marean – Re: Legislative update*
- *Email from Comprehensive Planning Committee – Re: update on projects*
- *Email from MMA – 2018 Municipality Technology Conference*
- *Email from EMA Director Dave Francoeur – Re: Emergency Management Directors Meeting*

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*Review of Projects and Issues*

*Selectman Emery attended the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) last week along with the Planning Board meeting on Monday night. A lot of good things came out of both the Planning Board and the Budget meetings this week. The Selectmen gave the Budget Committee a tour of the addition. They will start to brick the sides as soon as it warms up. The Selectman's budget will be on the Budget Committee agenda next week.*

*Selectman Blier also attended the BAC and the Budget Committee meetings. He spoke with Chief Schools concerning possible locations for a public water supply/dry hydrant within our community. He then stopped down to Public Works to see Tom Kennie regarding the costs involved to install a dry hydrants within our town. He will continue with updates at future meetings.*

*Selectman Blier walked down behind the town hall to see how wet the area is out through the trails to Town Farm Park and if there is a possibility for a gathering space. He was encouraged and hopes to connect the two spaces and make some headway for future community gatherings. The Comprehensive Plan Committee will do a walk through at their next meeting.*

*Selectman Harmon attended the BAC meeting last Thursday, which sparked her conversation with Representative Don Marean on the school budget. He spoke with the Department of Education in Augusta, who informed him on how the funding works. Representative Marean hopes to attend the BAC meeting tomorrow night. He also updated the board on the current marijuana bill that has passed in the House and in the Senate. It is anticipated that the Governor will veto the bill. Representative Marean said he believes the Legislature will have enough votes to overturn the Governor's veto.*

*Selectman Harmon attended the Planning Board meeting where they discussed the proposed ordinance amendments for the Town Meeting. On Tuesday evening the Selectmen presented their budget to the Budget Committee. She has the first draft of the town warrant done, there will be adjustments. There will be an Adjustment to the Planning Board members pay to make them consistent with the \$11 minimum wage increase in January.*

*Selectman Harmon has also been working with the Treasure, Kimberly Beam on calculations for the municipal budget. She also had a discussion with Public Works Director, Tom Kennie concerning a letter of Good Faith to order the two freightliners.*

*There was further discussion concerning the EMA and the Fire Department budget. It made sense to roll EMA into the Fire Department's budget, where it did not create an increase in the budget.*

*Selectman Blier said he saw that curbside recycling is not what it used to be, China is not buying the plastics like they used to. It's all going into the landfills now. Selectman*

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*Harmon added that the communities who currently do curbside recycling will not be seeing a benefit to their budgets, it will be an increase.*

*Selectman Poitras was unable to make the Budget Committee meeting, but he did work with Code Enforcement Officer Pete Gordon on a health issue with a resident. He strives to keep the inhabitants and surrounding neighbors as safe as possible and hopes to resolve the issue soon.*

*Old Business*

*None*

*New Business*

*None*

*Executive Orders*

*E.O. 171804016 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Kimberly Beam  
Approved 4-0*

*E.O. 171804017 – An order to approve Krystal Dyer to attend Maine Welfare Directors  
Association Spring Training Seminar  
Approved 4-0*

*E.O. 171804018 – An order to approve Kimberly Beam to attend Municipal Human  
Resources & Mgmt. Conference  
Approved 4-0*

*Executive Orders by Initiative*

*None*

*Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants*

*E.O. 171804014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable  
Warrant #88*

*Approved 4-0*

*The amount was \$89,779.57. Selectman Poitras said \$22,000.00 of it is vehicle registration fees that we give back to the state.*

*E.O. 171804015 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #87  
Approved 4-0  
The amount was \$50,635.10*

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*Next Meeting of the Board*

*Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, April 12 at 6:00PM*

*Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting Monday, April 16 at 6:00PM*

*Budget Committee Workshop Tuesday, April 17, at 6:00PM*

*Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, April 18 at 7:00PM*

*Other Business*

*Nomination Papers Available – Due back this Friday, April 13 at 4:30pm*

*Public Works Dept. is accepting applications for Laborer/Equipment Operator*

*Transfer Station is looking for part-time seasonal help*

*The Posting for Heavy Load Limit has been lifted by the Public Works Director*

*The Town Office is closed on Monday, April 16 and the Transfer Station will be closed on Tuesday, April 17 in observance of Patriot's Day Holiday*

*Public Comments and Questions*

*Scott Warchol from Maine DOT announced it is National Work Zone Awareness Week and to remind everyone to slow down and pay attention in any work zone. We want everyone to go home safe. Selectman Harmon instructed residents to "Just Drive!"*

*Executive Session*

*None*

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Adjournment

*Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:22 PM*  
*Approved 4-0*

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*Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman*

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*Chad E. Poitras, Selectman*

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*Jean C. Harmon, Selectman*

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*Clifford L. Emery, Selectman*

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*Mark J. Blier, Selectman*

*Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_*  
*Videotaped by Kyle Durkin*