

*Town of Buxton  
Minutes for August 29, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting*

*Recorded by Krystal Dyer*

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

*Others in attendance: David Harmon and Ellen DeCotiis*

*The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.*

*The Selectmen recited the pledge.*

*Selectman Emery announced that the Town of Buxton has lost another major piece to our community, Public Works Director Tom Kennie. He was a special guy and a great friend. Selectman Harmon added that he always had a smile on his face, he deeply cared about the people and the town of Buxton. He had a way about him dealing with the public, and always went above and beyond. He has a great crew at the shop and was part of our family. This is a huge loss for the community and for the town. Selectman Harmon stressed that she was his favorite Selectman. The Board expressed their deepest condolences to the family of Tom Kennie. Tom was a one of a kind, kind of guy and greatly respected in our community. The Road Doctor will be greatly and sadly missed.*

*Town Hall will be closed on Friday, August 31, 2018 to allow our employees to attend his funeral.*

*Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes*

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2018  
Approved 3-0-2*

*August 22, 2018  
Approved 4-0-1*

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

*Michael Pulsoni, Public Works Foreman updated the Board on how things are going, it's extremely tough for the guys, morale is low, but everything is getting done.*

*Received quotes for the air conditioning and heating units at the fire stations, we are waiting for one more quote.*

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*Review of Correspondence*

- *Email from Danielle O'Neill of RHR Smith & Company, Re: – Going paperless*
- *Email from Jonathan Youde, Re: -- Forward Capacity Notice for August*
- *Email from Kate Melanson of U.S. Environmental, Re: Grants Supporting Maine Clean Water Projects*
- *Email from National Weather Service, Re: Air Quality Alert*
- *Email from Dr. Siiri Bennett, State Epidemiologist, Re: West Nile Virus Positive Mosquito Pool in the Kittery area*

*Review of Projects and Issues*

*Selectman Santolucito expressed his sincere condolences to the Kennie family. He enjoyed working with him for the past four years, he will be missed.*

*He spoke with a resident concerning a sign on a property in town. He will look in to it further.*

*Selectman Harmon has been working with Krystal Dyer and Nichole Redlon on organizing the food and the picture boards for Tom Kennie's reception. She also been checking in on the Public Works Crew, she has been concerned about them.*

*Selectman Blier expressed his condolences to Tom Kennie's family, adding he was a great guy and was great at what he did. He thanked the Fire, Police and Public Works Departments for the procession of town vehicles, it was a wonderful tribute for Tom.*

*Selectman Blier is still waiting for DEP to set up a time for a site walk and he's still waiting for bids on the Fire Departments heating and air conditioning units.*

*Selectman Poitras gave his condolences to the Kennie family as well. He was an all-around great guy and a lot of fun to be around.*

*Selectman Poitras directed a gentleman to Krystal Dyer regarding the roadside mowing bid process. He also spoke with the Police Department regarding a health officer issue in town, which he will be following up with the Code Officer. He also checked in with the Public Works Crew.*

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*Selectman Emery was out of town all last week, but checked in with the department heads throughout the week. He has been in very close contact with Mike Pulsoni at the Public Works Department to assist him with anything they need.*

*Old Business*

*Carry Forwards*

*New Business*

*None*

*Executive Orders*

*E.O. 181908026 – An order to approve 16 hours of vacation leave for Michael Pulsoni  
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 181908027 – An order to approve 40 hours of vacation leave for Troy Cline  
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 181908028 – An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 1  
Lot 161-3A]  
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 181908029 - An order to approve a Supplemental Tax Warrant and Certificate for  
fiscal year 2018/19 in the amount of \$2,446.22 for [Map 2, Lot 27-2]  
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 181908030 - An order to approve an Abatement of real estate taxes for 2018/19 in the  
amount of \$220.59 for [Map 2, Lot 27-2]  
Approved 5-0*

*Selectman Harmon explained that there was a home not being taxed (supplemental tax  
warrant above), but the previous year it was taxed for the foundation only (abated above).*

*Executive Orders by Initiative*

*None*

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*Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants*

*E.O. 181908024 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #21  
Approved 5-0*

*The amount was \$481,185.38, with \$418,000.00 being for the county tax*

*E.O. 181908025 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #20  
Approved 5-0*

*The amount was \$63,080.60*

*Next Meeting of the Board*

*The next Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 PM*

*Board of Appeals Meeting Monday, Tuesday, September 4 at 7:00 PM*

*Business Standards Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 PM*

*Other Business*

*Town Office will be closed Friday, August 31, allowing our employees to attend funeral services for Public Works Director Tom Kennie*

*The Town Office will be closed Monday, September 3 to observe the Labor Day Holiday*

*Transfer Station will be closed Tuesday, September 4 to observe the Labor Day Holiday*

*Reminder that School is open and please be safe and cautious through the 15 mph zone by Buxton Elementary School. It will be closely monitored by the Buxton Police.*

*Public Comments and Questions*

*None*

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*Executive Session*

*None*

*Adjournment-*

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

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*Clifford L. Emery, Selectman*

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*Jean C. Harmon, Selectman*

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*Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman*

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*Mark J. Blier, Selectman*

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*Chad E. Poitras, Selectman*

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

*Videotaped by Harrison Beam*