

*Town of Buxton
Minutes January 9, 2019 Selectmen's Meeting*

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Ellen DeCotiis, Julie Gamelson, Miriam Rubin, Paula Welch, Art Payeur, and Scott Warchol

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

The Selectmen recited the pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for January 2, 2019 -were not available due to computer issue

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

A resident stopped in at 5:00PM on a personnel issue the Board went into executive session at 4:47PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A)

The Board met with the Budget Committee members at 6:00PM before the upcoming season. There was discussion on the percentage raise for individuals, and department heads regarding capital items. We will be requesting two new SUV's, one for the Police Department and one for the Fire Chief. The plan is for the Fire Chief's current vehicle to be rotated to the Code Enforcement Officer.

The Board also discussed Emery O Ranch regarding clean-up costs. They will be putting the numbers together for a future warrant article to see what the cost would be to take the building down and clean the property up.

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Review of Correspondence

- *Email from State Clerk of the House, Robert Hunt RE: --the Weekly Legislative Report*
- *Email from David Francoeur is still looking for more people to secure the Ham Radio Class. Selectman Emery read the notice. If interested contact them ASAP at 324-1578*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Santolucito stopped by the Public Works Department last night, they had been out for 14 hours with the past two storms.

Selectman Santolucito shared an article with the board that was in the Bangor Daily News. In Ellsworth, due to the lack of a market for certain recycling products, they do not accept box board, office paper or glass anymore. We will look at the cost of what we are taking in. The only other option is to put it back in to the curbside trash pickup and into a landfill. The Board will look into this further.

Selectman Harmon along with Selectman Blier and Selectman Emery where at the Public Works interviews on Monday night.

Our heating issues have been resolved at this point. On Monday we had a computer issue. They are now back up and on track, except for one that was the source of the infection. Hope to have it back soon.

Selectman Poitras talked with Kevin Kimball yesterday and riding the roads today. He was quite impressed on how the roads looked. He also took a phone call from a resident regarding road issues.

Selectman Blier attended the Public Works interviews on Monday, they were both really good candidates. He stated how much he appreciates the long hours and hard work the Public Works crew puts in to keep our roads safe.

Selectman Emery has been working on the solid waste contract. We will be sending it to Greg Heffernan to review and add pertinent information. He also sat down with Chief Schools regarding a new SUV vehicle and the Volunteer Firefighter Insurance policy. Chief Schools is looking to upgrade to a more substantial policy. Selectman Emery checked in with the Police Chief and the Public Works Director through the storms. The Public Works crew, Police and Fire Departments did a phenomenal job and

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stresses how much the Board appreciates what a great job they have done. Now getting started on budget season.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

*E.O. 181901006– An order to approve 16 hours of vacation leave for Nichole Welch
Approve 5-0*

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

*E.O. 181901004 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable
Warrant #59 and #60
Approve 5-0*

*The amount for Warrant #59 was \$665,899.44
The amount for Warrant #60 was \$9,944.63*

*E.O. 181901005 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #58
Approve 5-0*

The amount was \$67,400.43

Next Meeting of the Board

*The next Board of Selectmen Meeting is Wednesday, January 16 at 7:00 PM
Planning Board meeting Monday, January 14 at 7:00PM*

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Other Business

2019 Dog Licenses are due by January 31, 2019

2019 Rescue Subscriptions are available for 2019

There is an opening for a one-year term on the Budget Committee. They meet on Tuesday nights. Please contact John Myers if interested

Public Comments and Questions

Ellen DiCotiis asked if the proposal for the solid waste contract will be available for the public to review. Selectman Emery said we will put a draft copy up on the website once we reached that point.

Miriam Rubin read an article regarding rejected recycling and how the town of Sanford has turned their percentage around that it has become a valuable commodity again instead of a waste product. Sanford has worked closely with eco Maine.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment-

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:24 PM
Approved 4-0-1

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Date Signed: _____
Videotaped by Harrison Beam