Town of Buxton Minutes February 2, 2022

This meeting is streamed on the Saco River Community Media at https://www.src-tv.org/

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

Members Present: Thomas J. Peters, Francis E. Pulsoni, David A. Field, Mark J. Blier and Chad E. Poitras

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, Jon Bartlett, Patrick Hanna, Representative Nathan Carlow, Catherin Lamson and Henry Huntley.

Special Town Meeting

John Myers, Town Clerk opened the Special Town Meeting. Moderator Hiram R. Davis was sworn in and recited the Pledge.

Representatives Mark Blier and Nathan Carlow honored and presented Chief Nathan Schools with a tribute to 2021 Spirit of America foundation tribute for outstanding community service. A well deserved honor for guiding the Town of Buxton through unprecedented times.

The special town meeting continued. (Agenda attached)

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:20PM

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

January 26, 2022 Approved 5 - 0

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 5:00PM the Board met with David Blais or Saco River Community TV regarding the open position for an AV Tech to cover the upcoming town meetings.

At 5:30PM Cliff & Cheryl Emery came in to discuss forming a committee to create a policy and reach to out to business in Buxton who were affected by coronavirus shut down. They may be approved for the ARPA Money

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At 6:00PM Chief Schools and the Board went into executive session on a personnel issues per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), and union negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) until 7:00PM.

Review of Correspondence

- Email from Pastor David Reiss of Bar Mills Community Church, Re: 6k run for charity
- Email from William Doyle of the City of Saco, Re: American Rescue Plan Act
- Email from MMA, Re: Legislative Bulletin,
- Email from Robert B. Hunt, Clerk of the House, Re: Weekly Legislative Report

Projects and Issues

Selectman Poitras delt with a couple personnel issues this past week.

Selectman Field attended the budget committee meeting on Tuesday night, it went very smooth. He also talked the Public Works Director Kevin Kimball over the weekend in regard to the storm. The crew did a great job with the ice.

Selectman Pulsoni has been in and out of the office all week. He spoke with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball about amending some language in the town policy regarding pay during a storm. He met with Chief Cline and the town attorney on personnel issues.

Selectman Pulsoni has started the resume review process for the Selectman's Assistant.

Selectman Blier added the position will include a strong background in HR experience as well. He has been revieing resume's, union negotiations, and wage market analysis. A resident contacted him regarding the humming in the meeting broadcasts, he will be working this issue out.

Selectman Peters answered questions from a resident about tonight's special town meeting. He also met with a relative of property now owned by the town. They wanted to remove items from the property.

He also spoke with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball regarding the storm. It went well with just a few minor breakdowns but nothing major and he received a call from Chief Schools today about his upcoming budget.

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 212202003 – An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Peter Gordon Approved 5 – 0

E.O. 212202004 – An order to approve time off without pay for Ruth Scheibenpflug from February 28 through April 3, 2022.

Approved 5 – 0

E.O. 212202005 – an order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power and Saco River Telephone, LLC to construct and maintain one pole on Pease Road, being 70 feet southerly of Portland Road, in accordance with Central Maine Power Co.

Approved 5 – 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212202001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #65

Approved 5 – 0

In the amount of \$54,244.50

E.O. 212202002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #64

Approved 5 – 0 In the amount of \$84,319.92

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Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, February 9, at 7:00PM

Department Head Meeting will be Thursday, February 3 at 10:00AM

MSAD#6 Budget Advisory Committee by zoom on Thursday, 3 at 6:00PM

Other Business

2022 Dog licenses are now past due and you will be charged an additional \$25.00 per dog. This is a Maine State law late fee. For more information call the Town Office at 929-5191.

Dinner Theatre and Silent Auction with Open Mic Night (featuring Living Waters School students). Saturday, February 5, 2022 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Living Waters Church, 197 Parker Farm Road, Buxton, ME 04093 Dinner includes a pasta bar with three types of pasta, 3 different sauces, 2 meats, salad and dessert. There is also a vegetarian option. Suggested donation is \$5.00 per person or \$20 for a family. Proceeds benefit the Living Waters Parent Teacher Fellowship.

Public Comments and Questions

None

Executive Session

None

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