Town of Buxton Agenda February 7th, 2024 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

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

Recorded by Hunter Cox Members Present: Chad E. Poitras, Thomas J. Peters, Frank E. Pulsoni, Mark J. Blier, David A. Field

Others in attendance:

Called to Order at 7:04

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

January 31st, 2024

Approved 5-0

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

4:00PM - Department Head Meeting

4:30PM -

5:00PM -

5:30PM - Drummond Woodsum (Attorneys)-Executive Session 405-6E

6:00PM -

6:45PM –Shelby St. Louis-Notarize Documents

Review of Correspondence

- Email From MMA: MMA Congressional Delegation Meeting, Legislative Bulletin
- Email From Kay Mann: Biodiesel Info Meeting,
- Email From MSAD 6: Board of Directors Meeting
- Email From Maine Biz: Business News Magazine
- Email From Maine Fire Chiefs Association: 2024 Professional Development Conference

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- Email From Heather Sneff: Health Officer Webinar
- Email From Acorn Engineering: Weekly Progress Meeting

Projects and Issues-

Selectman Peters- Monday Budget Meeting with PW, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday.

<u>Selectman Field-</u> Monday Budget Meeting with PW, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, Discussion with PW about equipment.

<u>Selectman Poitras-</u>Monday Budget Meeting with PW, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, Discussions with Fire Chief over Budget, Resident Discussion with Buxton-Hollis Historical Society, Resident discussion with residents of Rt. 202, Discussion with CEO over two buildings being torn down in town.

<u>Selectman Pulsoni-</u> In the office going over budgets, Monday Budget Meeting with PW, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, Discussion with Police Chief over a previous incident requiring court appearance.

<u>Selectman Blier-</u> Monday Budget Meeting with PW, Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday. Conversation with Standish Town Manager over Police coverage and staffing. Conversation with Fire Chief about budgets and building repairs. Discussion with Treasurer over the MSAD 6 budget, we will be paying about \$708,000 for the next budget. Spoke with Rec director about the rec bus needing some repairs.

Old Business-

New Business-

Friday, February 16th is the last day to change political party before the primary election.

<u>Mark Blier-</u> I was asked this week how we came up with the figures for next budget's salary increases, and what metrics that we used. We did a study that included many towns in our area that have comparable populations to ours. We also looked at longevity, quality of work, as well as employee strengths. We had discussions over several weeks about the size and scope of raises, and what is appropriate given our current employment situation here in Buxton. We presented this information to the budget committee, so that they can evaluate it, and ultimately it will be up to the town to vote on.

Executive Orders-

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E.O. 2425002001- An order to approve 32 hours of vacation leave for Nathan Schools.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425002002- An order to appoint Luke G. Plummer to the position of Carroll Park Trustee member to be effective until December 31, 2026.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425002003- An order to appoint the voter registration schedule for the last five business days before election day, with hours from 1:30-4:30pm on 4 of the days, and 5:30-7:30pm on one day.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425002004- An order to appoint:

Christine M. Acker, Peter Eliot, Marc A. Girard, Dora M. Graham Nelson, Darlene S. Ivy, David G. Johnson, Tracy M. Kane, Kathleen R. McCarthy, Sally Nardi, Sharon T. Rausch, Meredith R. Small, Gloria J. Steiger, Eileen Whynot, William J. Andrews, Theo A. Fellows, Norma J. Goupil, Katherine O. Hoagland, Roland L. Ivy, David S. Johnson, Lanci L. Loranger, Sandra L. McLaughlin, Nancy L. Owen, Karen J. Scrutchfield, Carolyn A. Snell, Sonya E. Theriault, Dorothy S. Bell, Julie A. Gamelson, Darla I. Graham, Mark E. Hopkins, William C. Jefferson, Amy E. Kane, Cynthia A. Lozier, Patricia L. Morrison, Sarah A. Pinault, Bette Robicheaw, Linda J. Somerset, Allison R. Willard.

to the positions of Democratic Election Clerks and Voters Board of Appeals Members to be effective through April 30, 2026.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425002005-An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 1, Lot 169C].

Approved 4-0-1

Executive Orders by Initiative-

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 2425002006- An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #64 In the Amount of \$851,674.02

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425002007- An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #63 In the Amount of \$97,569.20

Approved 5-0

Next Meeting of the Board

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, February 14th at 7pm

The Next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Monday, February 12th at 7pm

The Next Budget Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13th, at 6pm

There will be a budget discussion with the Selectboard and the Fire Chief

Public Comment and Questions

Executive Session-

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:13pm

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman	Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman
Mark J. Blier, Selectman	David A. Field, Selectman
Chad E. Poitras, Selectman	

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