

**Selectmen's Meeting
Agenda for March 6th, 2024**

***Town of Buxton
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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, Frank E. Pulsoni, Mark J. Blier, Thomas J. Peters,
David A. Field*

Others in attendance:

Called to Order at 7:00

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

February 28th, 2024

Approved 4-0-1

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

4:15PM – Executive Session MRSA 405 6E-Legal Issue
4:30PM – Chief Kevin Collins- Emergency Communications Update
5:00PM – Executive Session MRSA 405 6A-Personnel Issue
5:30PM – CEO Patti McKenna-Code Violations in Town
6:00PM –Treasurer Bill Hall and Clerk John Myers- Budget Discussions
6:38PM – Executive Session MRSA 405 6E-Legal Issue

Review of Correspondence

- Email From MMA: MMA Legislative Bulletin, Basic Municipal Budgeting Workshop, Diversity Training Workshop
- Email From MSAD 6: BAC Packet, BoD Meeting Agenda
- Email From MLGHRA: HR Workshop
- Email From Clerk Robert B. Hunt: Weekly Legislative Bulletin
- Emails From SMPDC: HUB Grant Opportunity

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- Email From Maine PowerOptions: MPO Bid Event
- Email From MCoAPWA: Annual Spring Training Seminar
- Email From Reagan Young: SMPDC Public Hearing Notification
- Email From Tammy Sobieki: Award Info
- Email From MFCA: 2024 Professional Development Conference
- Magazine From Mainebiz: Mainebiz Magazines

Projects and Issues-

Selectman Peters- Attended Monday night legal meeting, spoke with public works and fire department about general business.

Selectman Field- Checked in at Public Works to review the new lifts, Legal meeting on Monday night, spoke with fire chief about new truck.

Selectman Poitras- Attended legal meetings on Monday night. Worked with Fire Department on new Truck from a grant we received. Attended Tuesday Budget Meeting.

Selectman Pulsoni- Monday night legal meeting, general business

Selectman Blier- Monday night legal meeting, Met with Hunter Cox on damage to PW building, Spoke with PW about the new bypass that they are building.

Old Business-

New Business-

Selectman Blier- Our Public Works Director Kevin Kimball will receive the Maine Local Roads Center "New Roades Scholar" Certificate. This is for his efforts in attending workshops and many training courses that have kept him up to date on the latest trends and techniques in local road maintenance and improvement, and public works management.

I would also like to note that we have had some large increases in our budget this year. These increases are partly due to market conditions. Our Workman's Comp, Property and Casualty, as well as our Health insurance costs have increased notably. The school budget also looks to be increasing by about \$750K for the Town of Buxton.

Executive Orders-

E.O. 2425003006- An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 001A, Lot 0038-4]

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E.O. 2425003002- An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 0010, Lot 0035-4]

Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 2425003003- An order to approve a Liquor License for The Saco River Theatre.

Approved 5-0

Executive Orders by Initiative-

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 2425003004- An order approving expenditures as documented in
Accounts Payable Warrant #72
In the Amount of \$872,953.53

Approved 5-0

E.O. 2425003005- An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll
Warrant #71
In the Amount of \$95,089.71

Approved 5-0

Next Meeting of the Board

The Next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, March 13th at 7pm

The Next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Monday, March 11th
at 7pm

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The Next Budget Committee Meeting will be held Thursday, March 7th, at 6pm

Public Comment and Questions

Dave Harmon- Just curious, the money that you raised for the Tower, the ARPA money, does it have to be spent by a certain time?

Selectman Blier- It has to be allocated by this September but doesn't have to be spent until 2026.

Dave Harmon- Are they installing the microwave systems for emergency communications right now?

Selectman Blier- They just did the wiring, and in April they will finish up everything. The plan is to have everything done by the end of April school vacation.

Dave Harmon- I attended the 202 Bridge meeting in Hollis, and it was packed. There was a line of people waiting to ask questions when I left. They talked about sidewalks on the bridge, but the Town would have to split some of the cost with Hollis if they do put them in, but that they were not planning on sidewalks. They are still trying to decide detour routes. They also talked about needing to do some work on some alternate detour routes.

Executive Session- (None)

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:24pm

Approved 5-0

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

*David A. Field,
Selectman*

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

*Date Signed: _____
Video Taped by David Blais*

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