Town of Buxton Minutes January 12, 2022 Selectmen's Meeting

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Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Members Not Present:

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon and Jon Bartlett

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

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

January 5, 2022 Approved 4 – 0 – 1, Selectman Pulsoni abstained

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:00PM Accounts Payable clerk Amanda Schmechel was in for a short discussion.

At 4:30PM Krystal Dyer was in.

At 5:00PM Chief Cline was in and the Board went into executive session at 5:06PM on a personnel issue per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), out at 5:15PM. Chief Cline said he is sending a couple officers to the police academy this spring.

Chief Schools stopped in and they went into executive session at 4:45PM to discuss union negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D), back out at 4:55PM.

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Review of Correspondence

- Email from Monday Message from Chief Schools
- Email Reagan Young of Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission, Re: Inventory Survey regarding Infrastructure.
- Email from Laura Ellis of Maine Municipal Association, Re: Electronic Legislative Bulletin
- Email from Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan, Re: Update on the guard rails for the Transfer Station.
- Email from Neal Goldberg of MMA, Re: ARPA
- Email from Chief Schools, Re: Operational Directive and Universal Masks and Restrictions
- Email from Dwayne Morin from Tri-County Solid Waste Group, Re: Casella Waste Handling Contract
- Email from Alexandria Pelczar of York County State Office Representative, Re: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Funds
- Email from Robert B. Hunt, Clerk of the House, Re: Weekly Legislative Report
- Letter from Symphony Wireless, Re: Offer to Purchase Cell Site lease
- Email from Chief Schools, Re: Work Restrictions for Healthcare Providers
- Email from Congresswoman Chellie Pingree's Office, Re: New Year Update
- Letter from the Hollis Planning Board, Re: an application for a conditional use permit for Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC is requesting a battery energy storage system at the Bonny Eagle hydroelectric facility powerhouse. The meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2022 at 7:00PM at the Hollis town office.

Projects and Issues

Selectman Poitras handled a couple questions regarding the ARPA money and answered some covid concerns and testing questions.

Selectman Field talked to Public Works Director Kevin Kimball and a few of the crew members.

Selectman Pulsoni was not in the office this past week.

Selectman Blier has been working with Kim Beam regarding an upcoming special town meeting for the ARPA funds.

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On Monday he met with the town attorney and Chief Schools regarding union negotiations for the fire department.

Selectman Peters spoke with Kevin Kimball during Friday's snowstorm and with the other board members regarding the ARPA funds.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

- E.O. 212201003 An order to appoint Mia B. Dodge to the position of Buxton Toy Box Committee to be effective until December 31, 2024
 Approved 5 0
- E.O. 212201004 An order to approve the hire of Brian A. Donahue as a Police Officer effective January 10, 2022 at a rate of \$29.59/hour.

 Approved 5 0
- E.O. 212201005 An order to appoint of Brian A. Donahue as a Constable in the Town of Buxton effective January 10, 2022.

 Approved 5 0
- E.O. 212201006 An order to approve 84.5 hours of Vacation Leave for John Myers Approved 5 0
- E.O. 212201007 An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Krystal Dyer Approved 5 0
- E.O. 212201008 An order to approve 56 hours of Vacation Leave for Nathan Schools

Approved 5 – 0

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Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212201001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #59

Approved 5 – 0

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In the amount of \$765,149.14

E.O. 212201002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant 56 & 57

Approved 5 – 0

Warrant 56 is in the amount of \$278.06 Warrant 57 is in the amount of \$72,406.77

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, January 19, at 7:00PM

MSAD#6 - BAC meeting will be Thursday, January 20 at 6:00PM via zoom only. Contact Central Office for a link.

Other Business

2022 Dog licenses are due - State law requires that all dogs six months and older be licensed by January 31st of each calendar year. Any dog licensed after January 31st will have an additional \$25.00 State law late fee per dog. For more information call the Town Office at 929-5191.

Rescue Subscriptions expired December 31, 2021. There are no automatic renewals You need to fill out a new form each year. For more information call the Town Office at 929-5191.

The Town Office will be Closed on Monday, January 17th and the Transfer Station will be Closed on Tuesday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Day

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Public Comments and Questions	
None	
Executive Session	
None	
Adjournment Motion made and seconded to adjourn the N Approved 5 - 0	Meeting at 7:14PM
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 Harrison Beam	