

**Town of Buxton**  
**Minutes for August 16, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting**

*Prepared by: Beverly Gammon*

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

*Others Present: Rich Streeter*

**Meeting Agenda**

**1. Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.*

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*The Board led the Pledge.*

**3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes August 9, 2017*

*Approved 5-0*

**4. Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.**

*The Board met Kathryn Sovetsky, the new Librarian for Berry Memorial Library. Kathryn will meet with Claudine Emerson Monday and the library will open Tuesday.*

*Chief Schools met with the Board. They talked about the Fire Department banquet next Tuesday evening, a letter of recommendation the Chief is looking for, and the new fire truck.*

**5. Review of Correspondence**

- *News Release from Maine Department of Labor*
- *State House News Update from Rep. Don Marean*
- *Message from State Senator Justin Chenette*
- *Email from Dave Francoeur, York County EMA – Re: New IAB publication*

- *Email from Jonathan Youde, Maine Power Options – Re: Expiring Contracts 2017*  
*Our contract expires in November. Selectman Santolucito stated that the numbers look good. Maine Power Options estimated they could save the town around \$10,000/year. The contract went into effect in December and between then and June, we saved around \$5,000.00.*

**6. Review of Projects and Issues**

*Selectman Emery has been working with people from Great Falls Construction who put together the RFP for the addition. He is helping get information together for the packets that will be sent to the list of contractors who will be invited to send proposals. He stated that he has the wording for the posting that will go into the Portland newspaper in the next few days.*

*Selectman Harmon has been reviewing resumes for the Selectmen's Assistant job. She and Selectman Blier are going to meet with the Union Representative tomorrow.*

*Our extended Recreation Summer Camp is taking place here in the large meeting room for a couple weeks. It has been going very well and Selectman Harmon said the children seem to be having a great time.*

*Selectman Blier participated in interviews Monday night for the Public Works position. He said he thinks the young man they hired will be a good fit with the crew. Selectman Blier spent time contacting some of the Comprehensive Plan members about their upcoming meeting. He also spent time going over plans for the addition.*

*Selectman Poitras attended the Pirate's Fest in Hollis last weekend and mentioned some conversation he had there.*

*Selectman Santolucito has been working on resolving a technology issue for the link between our systems in the front office and Trio Software. He participated in the interviews for Public Works and has been working on the electric rate review. The Board will make some decisions on that after Labor Day. Selectman Santolucito went to the fire station last week and met several of the firefighters who were putting equipment on the new fire truck that will go into service in October.*

**7. Old Business**

*Charter Review Committee – Selectman Harmon has been working with Bev Gammon to get a posting ready to go out. The Board is looking for five (5) volunteers to be part of the Charter Review Committee. Anyone who is interested can send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen to review the charter and make recommendations for minor updates or simple housekeeping items. The posting should be going out by next week.*

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*Aging in Place – AARP Program*  
*12 Town Group will be working on this when their meetings start up again.*

**8. New Business**

*None*

**9. Executive Orders**

*E.O. 171808020 – An order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power Company and Saco River Telephone LLC to construct and maintain 1 pole located on Warren Road, starting at the corner of Parker Farm Road and Warren Road, northwest from Parker Farm Road +/- 3100 feet*  
*Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171808021 – An order to approve 40 hours of vacation leave for John Myers*  
*Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171808022 – An order to approve John Myers' attendance at the Maine Municipal Convention*  
*Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171808023 – An order to approve John Myers' attendance at the New England Association of City & Town Clerks' Annual Conference*  
*Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171808024 – An order to approve the hiring of Kathryn Sovetsky for the Part Time position of Berry Library Director starting August 21, 2017, at a pay rate of \$15.40 per hour*  
*Approved 5-0*

**10. Executive Orders by Initiative**

*None*

**11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants**

*E.O. 171808018 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #15*

*Approved 5-0*

*The amount was \$1,109,226. Included are the County Tax for \$415,376.42, and the School payment that is approximately \$585,000.*

*E.O. 171808019 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #14*

*Approved 5-0*

*The amount was \$50,454.00*

**12. Next Meeting of the Board**

*Planning Board Site Walk Wednesday, August 16 at 7 PM for 2-lot subdivision on Ken Moulton's property off Pinder Drive; and Thursday, August 17, at 7 PM for Michael Doherty who is requesting a conditional use permit for a Day Care Facility at 27 Portland Road*

*Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting Monday, August 21 at 6:30 PM*

*Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, August 23 at 7:00 PM*

**13. Other Business**

*The Town is soliciting bids for one 1989 E-One fire engine with a 1,000 GPM pump and 1,000 gallon water tank. The truck is located at the Bar Mills Fire Station and will be sold as where is. For more information or to inspect the truck, contact Chief Nathan Schools at 207.929.3099 or email [nschools@buxtonfr.org](mailto:nschools@buxtonfr.org). Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes plainly marked "Town of Buxton – 1989 E-One Fire Truck" and must be received by the Buxton Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093, before August 30 at 12:00 PM.*

*The Board is accepting applications for the position of Selectmen's Assistant. This is a full time position responsible for all secretarial duties for the Board of Selectmen and serves as the Town's General Assistance Director. More information is available on the Town's website or Jobs in ME. If interested, please submit a cover letter and resume to Buxton Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093.*

*There is one vacancy on the Budget Committee. If anyone is interested in serving on the Budget Committee, please send a letter of interest to the Buxton Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093.*

*MaineHealth Care at Home will be holding a Flu Shot Clinic at Buxton Town Hall on Thursday, September 28 from 12:00 - 1:00 PM.*

**14. Public Comments and Questions**

*Rich Streeter went to the podium to comment on the article for the marijuana ban and to ask the Selectmen to consider splitting that into two parts; one banning recreational sales and social clubs, and another one for banning testing and growing facilities. Mr. Streeter addressed some previous objections, talked about his conversation with Don Marean after his trip to Colorado, and shared his (Mr. Streeter's) thoughts on what facilities he thinks will be the best to keep and what may generate the most revenue and tax benefit for the town. He believes the town has an opportunity to bring in more revenue.*

*A brief conversation followed between the Board and Mr. Streeter. The Selectmen asked a few questions and shared some thoughts and comments.*

*There were no more comments or questions.*

**15. Executive Session**

*None*

**16. Adjournment**

*Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:33 PM  
Approved 5-0*

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*Clifford L. Emery, Selectman*

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*Jean C. Harmon, Selectman*

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*Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman*

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*Chad E. Poitras, Selectman*

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*Mark J. Blier, Selectman*

*Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Videotaped by Kyle Durkin*