

*Town of Buxton
Minutes November 3, 2021
Selectmen's Meeting*

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Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, John Bartlett, Code Officer Peter Gordon, and Henry Huntley.

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:15PM

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Code Enforcement Department Quarterly Report

Code Officer Peter Gordon presented the numbers for the first three quarters of the year are 232 permits. Last year's permits total 213 for the year (in COVID). He stated that they have already exceeded last year's permits by ten percent. We have issued 26 permits for stick-built homes. Permits will be doubled for stick built houses for this year and mobile homes have stayed the same. We issued 59 Septic permits, 50 Plumbing permits, 22 permits for additions and accessory dwellings and 29 decks. The Planning Board has recently approved two subdivisions, one is for 15 new mobile homes and the other is 26 stick built homes. They also approved Four commercial buildings Waltz and Sons, Gorham Sand & Gravel, Brown Metalworks, and Flannigan Farm is breaking ground for a commercial kitchen.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for October 27, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:00PM Michael Bartner of Revision Energy gave a presentation on power options from a solar investor. The Board will do more research before making a decision.

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At 4:30PM Chief Cline and Sergeant Collins, the Board went into executive session on a personnel issue at 4:45PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), back out at 5:05PM

Transfer Station Manager Greg Heffernan came in regarding the changes to the solid waste ordinance.

At 6:00PM Krystal Dyer & Kert Jackson came in to discuss the Keep The Heat On program.

Review of Correspondence

- *Email from Resident, Re: Activity at 128 Back Nippen Road and conditional use permit violation*
- *Email from Maine Department of Labor, Re: New Employment Labor Laws*
- *Email from Chief Nathan Schools, Re: Monday Message*

Projects and Issues

*Selectman Poitras worked on the 250th celebration for next year.
Call from Joann Goadar is asking for monetary donations towards the Thanksgiving dinners or diner items for the meals.
She wants to thank Jean Harmon and the Boy Scouts for volunteering.*

Selectman Field thanked Public Works Crew for cleaning up building debris that was dumped at Pleasant Point Park. It's just a shame that people have to dump at the park. When they can bring it to the transfer station. A camera will be installed.

Selectman Pulsoni was in the office keeping up on the correspondence. He received a call regarding his trash that was left behind. He will try to rectify the solid waste ordinance. He has three classes left to complete for the MMA Human Rights classes.

Selectman Pulsoni received a call from Chief Cline and Sergeant Collins regarding a personnel issue. He had a call from Chief Schools who has offered two of his Officers temporarily positions to fill the two open positions at the station. Denise Nessman is one, who has twenty-two years of service with the Town of Buxton. Kudos to her and he hopes this is something she wants to pursue.

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Selectman Blier spent time with Transfer Manager Greg Heffernan regarding the trash pick-up and a Personnel issue. He also spoke with Peter Gordon and Kandice Talbot regarding property divisions and worked on Kept the Heat On operational procedures.

Selectman Peters received calls from Chief Cline regarding what was going on at the station and Chief Schools regarding a serious accident on Route 112. He wanted to relay how great the towns of Gorham and Standish worked together and thanked Gorham Sand & Gravel for the use of their gravel pit and allowing the life flight helicopter to land at their facility. He also spoke with Kevin Kimball who has the crew doing ongoing projects, such as ditching, brush work and prepping the trucks for winter.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 212211003 – An order to approve an Abatement of real estate taxes for 2020/21 in the amount of \$13.74 for [Map 2, Lot 21D]

Approved 4 – 0 – 1, Selectman Blier abstained

E.O. 212211004 – An order to appoint Scott A. Warchol to the position of Keep The Heat On Committee Member to be effective until December 31, 2023

Approved 5 – 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

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Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212211001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #37

Approved 5 – 0

In the amount of \$42,891.76

E.O. 212211002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #36

Approved 5 – 0

In the amount of \$69,724.77

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's meeting will be Wednesday, November 10, at 7:00PM

Department Head meeting Thursday, November 4, at 10:00AM

Planning Board meeting on Monday, November 8, at 7:00PM

Other Business

Rabies vaccination clinic, Saturday, December 4, 2021 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Buxton Public Works Garage, located at 215 Portland Road, Buxton.

\$8.00 per Vaccination – CASH ONLY. Dogs must be on a leash & Cats must be in carriers.

For more information, please call the Buxton Town Hall at 929-6171.

Buxton's Annual Touch-A-Truck will be on Sunday, November 28 from 5:30PM to 7:00PM at the Public Works Garage, 215 Portland Road. This is a Free Family Event. Tree lighting at 6:00PM Rain or Shine! Please bring canned goods to donate to Buxton's food pantries.

Selectman Peters read the Special Town Meeting notice scheduled for December 1, 2021 (see attached)

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Public Comments and Questions

None

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:38PM

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: _____

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