# Town of Buxton Agenda December 15, 2021 Selectmen's Meeting

This meeting was recorded by a remote camera from the Selectman's office, due to the Buxton Toy Box Elves were in the conference room. This meeting will be streamed on the Saco River Community Media at https://www.src-tv.org/.

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, Jon Bartlett, James Maxwell, and Patrick Hanna

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute December 8, 2021 Approved 5 – 0

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

The Board met with the following department heads to discuss the potential to give our Employee bonuses with the ARPA money.

At 4:00PM Kevin Kimball was in regarding ARPA. Then the board went into executive session on a personnel issue at 4:18PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) and out at 4:23PM

At 4:30PM Grace Bibber was in regarding ARPA

At 5:00PM Peter Gordon was in regarding ARPA

At 5:30PM Chief Cline was in regarding ARPA

At 6:00PM John Myers was in regarding ARPA

At 6:15PM the board went into executive session to discuss employee pay per 1

*M.R.S.A.* § 405 (6) (A) and out at 6:30PM

At 6:30PM we had cake for Chad's birthday

### Review of Correspondence

- Email from Monday Message from Chief Schools
- Letter from a resident, Re: Shoreland Zoning Map

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Projects and Issues

Selectman Blier attended the planning board meeting on Monday, where commercial condos/man caves were proposed. At this point the project is moving forward to planning board review.

He spoke with Facilities Manager Kert Jackson regarding the furnaces. The propane tanks have been changed out and picked up. Selectman Blier added that Kert Jackson is doing a phenomenal job for the town.

He also spoke to a few residents on the shoreland zoning maps that will be resurfacing with the planning board soon.

Selectman Pulsoni was in the office and met with Chief Cline on a personnel issue. He spoke with the town attorney regarding another personnel issue and then with Chief Schools on another personnel issue.

Selectman Poitras had a few phone calls from people living in not very good Circumstances. He then made wellness checks to the residents. Its not the best situation, but they are not willing to change. It's a difficult situation.

Selectman Field talked to Public Works Director Kevin Kimball last week regarding the storms. There were a few minor issues, everything's going well.

He said he was really surprised and pleased to see how much people are helping with the Buxton Toy Box. It's great.

Selectman Peters also checked in with Kevin Kimball regarding the storms. He attended the planning board meeting and talked to a resident regarding the shoreland maps. He received a phone call from Chief Schools and he will be assisting the Town of Gorham with mutual aid when needed.

Selectman Blier let people know about the Keep The Heat On Program and contact Krystal Dyer for assistance.

Old Business

None

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New Business

None

#### **Executive Orders**

E.O. 212212015 – An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 14, Lot 80A]

*Approved 4 – 0 - 1, Selectman Blier abstained.* 

E.O. 212212016 – An order to approve the hire of Ronald Wood as a full-time Police Officer effective January 4, 2022 at a rate of \$31.51/hour.

Approved 5 – 0

E.O. 212212017 – An order to appoint of Ronald Wood as a Constable in the Town of Buxton effective January 4, 2022

*Approved* 5 – 0

E.O. 212212018 – An order to approve the hire of Ethan Shepard as a full-time Firefighter/EMT effective December 15, 2021 at a rate of \$16.51/hour.

Approved 5 – 0

E.O. 212212019 – An order to adopt changes to the Personnel Policy, effective December 15, 2021.

*Approved* 5 – 0

E.O. 212212020 – An order to appoint Mia B. Dodge to the position of Estes Park Trustee member to be effective until December 31, 2024.

*Approved* 5 **–** 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 212212013 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #49

*In the amount of \$65,739.50* 

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*Approved* 5 – 0

E.O. 212212014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #48

*In the amount of \$77,243.05 Approved 5 – 0* 

*Next Meeting of the Board* 

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, December 22, at 7:00PM

MSAD6 Budget Advisory Committee meeting, Thursday, December 16 at 6:00PM via Zoom.

#### Other Business

Join us for Wreaths Across America, this Saturday, December 18 at 10:00AM at the South Buxton Cemetery (Woodman Section) located on Woodman Road, Bar Mills. For more information or to purchase a wreath for our Veterans, please call 207-929-6495.

Christmas Tree Festival through December 26 at the Bar Mills Community Church located at 13 Hermit Thrush Drive. For more information or to view the trees contact Mimi at 929-4445. To see other schedule of events go to www.barmillscommunitychurch.org

The Town Hall Will be closed Friday, December 24 and Friday, December 31 for the Christmas, and New Year's holidays.

The Transfer Station will be closed Saturday, December 25 and Saturday, January 1, 2022, for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Free Take-out Christmas Dinner at Buxton Centre Baptist Church, located at 938 Long Plains Rd. Pick up will be between 12:00PM to 1:00PM. Call 929-3011 by Saturday, December 18th to order a take-out meal.

#### Public Comments and Questions

Dave Harmon asked the pay rate for the new police officer. He also asked about an executive session, stating they did not announce the reason for going in to executive session. Selectman Peters said it was for union negotiations.

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Executive Session	
None	
Adjournment Motion made and seconded to adjourn the l 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	