# Town of Buxton Agenda August 31st, 2022 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

This meeting will be streamed on the Saco River Community Media at <a href="https://www.src-tv.org/">https://www.src-tv.org/</a>

Recorded by Hunter Cox

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

Others in attendance: Dave Harmon, Martha Muldoon, Stanley Lewis Sr.

Called to Order at 7:04

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

**Approval of Prior Meeting Minute** 

August 24th, 2022

Approved 5-0

#### Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

4:00PM -

4:30PM -

5:00PM - Angela Michie-Discussion of Town Policy on closures during storm

5:49PM - Executive Session: MRSA 405(6A)-Personnel Issue

6:00PM -

6:30PM - HR Update

#### Correspondence

- Email From Kevin Kimball: Reduction Grant Application
- Email From Eric Bleiken: Bonny Eagle School District Library Content Committee
- Notice From Nicole Turcotte: Buxton Building Valuation Update for 7/21/2022
- Email From BFR: Monday Message
- Email from MMA: Advanced General Assistance Training Workshop
- Email from Sandra Cormier: John Myers: November 8<sup>th</sup> State General Election Ballot Questions

### **Projects and Issues**

Selectman Poitras- Personnel issue, spoke with many residents about Bar Mills Dam

Selectman Pulsoni- Was out of town most of the week

Selectman Fielding- Met with public works director about multiple projects and personnel for winter, some small incidents at Pleasant Point Park.

Selectman Blier- Spoke with resident about some property issues, met with code enforcement officer over a few issues, also met with Chairman Pulsoni and HR Director over some personnel issues, and reviewed letter sent to Brookfield Renewable.

Selectman Peters-Talked with fire chief about issues with the fire truck and potential solutions

#### **New Business**

### **Executive Orders**

E.O. 212203193- An order to approve 40 hours of vacation leave for Nate Schools

Approved 5-0

E.O. 212203194- An order to appoint Sheridan Bennett to the position of Carroll Park Trustee member to be effective until December 31, 2022

Approved 5-0

E.O. 212203195- An Order to accept the Maine Revenue Services-2022 Municipal Valuation Return

Approved 5-0

# **Executive Orders by Initiative**

### **Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants**

E.O. 212203196- An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #18 In the Amount of: \$54,564.14

E.O. 212203197– An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #17 In the Amount of: \$79,675.49

Approved 5-0

# Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, Sept 7th at 7:00PM

The Next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Sept 12th, 2022 at 7pm

#### **Other Business**

There Will be an inside Bean Supper on September  $10^{th}$  from 4:30 to 6:00 at Buxton Center Baptist Church, 938 Long Plains Road.

# **Public Comments and Questions**

Stanley Lewis Sr.-Comments about why taxes are so high-people moving in from out of state driving taxes up. People can't afford to pay taxes and cost of living is too high. What percentage of Budget goes to the Town and what percentage for the school dist. There needs to be more accountability from school district.

Selectmen- Town-\$9.2 million, School \$9 million-around \$18 million Total. The selectboard opposed the school budget at the budget meeting.

Martha Muldoon- There are many minutes that are not available on the website, and the selectboard minutes are not sufficient. Gave handout to selectmen.

Selectmen-Many of the minutes Martha is requesting are from committees that no longer meet or that don't meet very often, or that don't keep minutes during their meetings. (i.e., charter, budget, and appeals boards). The minutes are sufficient to give a general index of the events and residents may watch the selectboard and planning meetings live, or they can view any of the meetings on the designated website.

Dave Harmon- The Budget Committee does not take minutes, its recorded on TV. Executive sessions should be noted on the minutes.

ion made and seconded to adjourn	the Meeting at 7:20
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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	

**Executive Session** 

None