Town of Buxton Minutes for September 7, 2016 Selectmen's Meeting

Prepared by: Beverly Gammon

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

Mark J. Blier was absent

Others Present: None

Selectmen's Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

Selectman Emery called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board led the recital.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Meeting Minutes August 31, 2016 Approved 4-0-1

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

A resident, David Field, came in and asked the Board about the surplus plow truck the town is going to be selling. Selectman Emery and Tom Kennie are going to talk about it again and put an ad together to put the truck out for bid.

Our Recreation Director met with the Board. They talked about how the summer program went, soccer programs, and she gave the Selectmen some spreadsheets with accounting information that the Board felt was very informative. She (Recreation Director) will continue to update the Board and provide the same information on other programs. They also talked about some new things including a senior citizen bus ride to Fryeburg Fair that is being done in conjunction with Old Orchard Beach. A flyer will be available this week with more information and the Board encouraged anyone who is interested in that to call Nicole Welch, our Recreation Director.

The Board had a brief discussion about the minimum wage and how an increase would impact the town.

5. Review of Correspondence

- Email from Rick LaRiviere, President, Saco Salmon Restoration Alliance Re: Documentary Presentation September 15 from 7-9 PM at the Hatchery at 21 Marblehead Lane, Biddeford
- Email from Dave Francoeur, Deputy Director York County EMA Re: Ham Radio Class October and November

Selectman Emery stated he was in the Police Department last week and wanted to say that the outpouring of good will has been tremendous. Parents have been stopping in with children and other people have been coming in to tell them what a great job they are doing; cards are also coming in almost daily from individuals thanking various police officers for the job they do. The Board and police want people to know how much they appreciate the outpouring of support from people in the community.

6. Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Poitras said he has been working with the lady that had questions about the sign ordinance and talking with people around town about concerns and issues they have. He said mentioned that another person expressed frustration with the length of time at the light at Route 22 & 202.

Selectman Santolucito noted that the Board will be voting later in this meeting on an executive order to establish a relationship with Maine Power Options for the town's electrical service. He met with them in Augusta and said they have a good reputation.

Selectman Santolucito mentioned that the Frye Island meetings will start this month at the District's Central Office. He and Peter Burns will be representing the Town along with a School Board representative and he believes the goal is to come up with a solution or proposal to offer to Frye Island by November.

Selectman Santolucito announced that at 3:00 PM on Friday, Headlight AV and Saco River Community Television are coming in to talk with the Selectmen about system upgrades and audio visual improvements.

Selectman Harmon reported that she has been in the office finishing up the Municipal Valuation Return and will compare numbers with Selectman Santolucito next week. Selectman Harmon said the Board also talked tonight about the bridge dedication. She said the Board does not have a completion date yet for the Bar Mills & Canal Bridge but

the Selectmen should be planning something with the Hollis Selectmen and any other groups that should be involved in that.

Selectman Harmon said the Board talked briefly about the Town's 250th annual celebration that will be coming up in a few years. She said now is the time to get a group together to figure out what we want to do and start planning.

Selectman Harmon stated that the Buxton Food Co-Op on Haines Meadow Road has talked about starting to use the EMA building next April.

Selectman Emery talked about a discussion he and Tom Kennie had about getting the surplus plow truck ready to put out for bids. He also mentioned talking with Brent Hill about how the Historical Society will be involved in the bridge dedication. Selectman Emery is going to get some information about the projected completion date so the Board can start planning.

7. Old Business

Composting food waste proposal

No new information on this.

8. New Business

Selectman Emery mentioned that he is going to talk with Tom Kennie about finding somebody who can cut out some of the concrete wall at the old town garage site in Buxton Center.

9. Executive Orders

E.O. 161709003 – An order for the Town of Buxton to enter into an agreement with Maine Power Options to purchase electricity for all municipal locations for the calendar year 2017

Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 161709004 – An order to approve an Abatement for Real Estate Taxes for fiscal year 2016/17 in the amount of \$90.40 for [Map 5, Lot 17A] Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 161709005 – An order to approve an Abatement for Real Estate Taxes for fiscal year 2016/17 in the amount of \$90.04 for [Map 5, Lot 17D] Approved 4-0-1

10. Executive Orders by Initiative

None

11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 161709001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in the Accounts Payable Warrant #020

Approved 4-0-1

The amount was \$43,864.32

E.O. 161709002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #019

Approved 4-0-1

The amount was \$51,393.81

12. Next Meeting of the Board

Planning Board Meeting Monday, September 12 at 7:00 PM 12 Town Group Meeting Monday, September 12 at 6:30 PM at the Waterboro Town Hall Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, September 14 at 7:00 PM

The Selectmen will be attending the awards banquet for Fire-Rescue at Flanagan Farm Monday, September 12 at 5:00 PM

13. Other Business

There will be a Buxton Town Hall Blood Drive in honor of 9/11 on Tuesday, September 13 from 1:00PM – 6:00 PM. Please call the American Red Cross at 1-800-Red Cross for an appointment. If you cannot get to call, you can still come in to donate.

The Town has a position open for a Mechanic in our Public Works Department. This is a full-time job and the pay rate is \$21.94 per hour. For more information you can contact Tom Kennie, Public Works Director at 207-919-4400. Please send a resume and cover letter to Clifford L. Emery, Board of Selectmen, 185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093. The deadline for applications is 4:00 PM Wednesday, September 21. This position has also been posted on the Town's website, on Jobs In ME and on Maine Municipal's website.

14. Public Comments and Questions

Selectman Harmon read a note from Nyome Baldinelli, daughter of Chris Baldinelli who is on the Planning Board. Miss Baldinelli wrote about the 4-H Program and a steer she has raised that will be sold at Cumberland Fair on Wednesday, September 28 at 4:00 PM. Naomi explained that this is a great way to buy local, fresh meat and by doing so to help out the 4-H Program. Selectman Harmon encouraged people to go and participate in the auction.

15. Executive Session

None

16. Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM Approved 4-0-1