

*Town of Buxton
Agenda August 14, 2019 Selectmen's Meeting*

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

Members Present: Jean C. Harmon, Dennis P. Santolucito, Chad E. Poitras, Mark J. Blier and Thomas J. Peters

Others in attendance: Andrew Mason, Florence Mason, John Myers, Angela Michie and Dave Harmon

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

The Selectmen recited the Pledge

Selectman Poitras thanked John Myers and Angela Michie for all the hard work they did organizing and orchestrating the community parade. We all look forward to next year's parade with the theme "Happy Birthday Maine"

Determination for the Information Technology Support Services bids: Selectman Santolucito wants to double check and review the spreadsheet one more time to make sure they are comparing apples to apples before the Board can make a decision next Wednesday August 21st.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 7, 2019
Approved 4-0-1*

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:30PM Recreation Director Nicole Welch updated the Board on the revenues, move to the Bar Mills Fire Dept. and upcoming Recreation programs being offered. The Board agrees she is doing an excellent job!!

At 5:00PM a resident was in to find a resolution to an issue with a landowner that is agreeable with all parties involved.

At 5:30PM Chief Schools and Deputy Chief Redlon where in to discuss the proposal for the purchase of a new ladder fire truck. The current ladder truck is not serviceable or

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worth putting money into it. The Board has scheduled a Special town meeting on August 28, 2019 to ask the voters for approval to purchase a new ladder fire truck.

Selectman Harmon said that she and Facilities Manager Kurt Jackson checked out an exterior door at the Berry Memorial Library, saying it is solid on the inside but the outside is soft and rotted. Selectman Blier said he is waiting for an estimates to replace door. Due to the size of the door, it will need to be a special ordered. We will check the Code file for any information on whether it was an original door.

Review of Correspondence

- *Email from Tony Vigue, RE: – News & Updates*
- *Email from Jonathan Youde, RE: - Electricity supply agreements expiring in 2020*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Peters said he and his family participated in the parade and attended other activities ending with the fireworks. It was a great day!!

Selectman Santolucito spoke with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball who said they have mowed and lined all the soccer fields and still reviewing resumes.

Selectman Santolucito also talked with Bob Gingras, of Parker Appraisal regarding an assessment as to where the town stands in regards to the valuations. He also spoke with Meghan Hennessey from the State regarding the preliminary State Evaluations. Adding they are increasing 7.65% state wide. The values are up. We will look into digitizing the tax cards, there will be no cost for software and the investment is in the data entry process.

Visited and toured Waltz & Sons, adding it's nice to see local companies making the investment for such beautiful buildings for their businesses here in Buxton.

Selectman Blier was unable to attend the parade, but did watched the parade on Facebook. He spoke with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball on cleaning up around the Powder House. The sign is visible now and it looks good.

Selectman Blier stopped by Bonny Eagle Park and noticed a picnic table seat was broken, he will get that fixed. He also noticed a lot of cigarette butts on the ground. We ask to please put them out and throw the butts away and do not chuck them on the ground. The Trustees will work on getting a container specifically for cigarette butts.

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Selectman Poitras was also in the parade and said what a wonderful time it was. Spoke with Fire Chief Schools about the special town meeting coming up.

Selectman Harmon spoke of the tragedy at Pleasant Point Park. She gave her condolences to the family. The Fire Department is having a debriefing on Monday for the first responders. She has not heard if the Police Department has scheduled one yet. The Board has made the decision to cut down the rope swings. They know someone will put them right back up, but in light of the tragedy, it was the right thing to do.

The First negotiations with the Police Department are scheduled for Thursday, August 15 at 5pm. It is in regards to the upcoming three-year contract. Selectman Harmon extended the invitation for the other Board members to attend. The current contract expired June 30th.

Old Business

None

New Business

Special Town Meeting on August 28 @ 7PM, to ask the voters to finance a new ladder fire truck for 10-years.

Executive Orders

E.O. 192008011 – An order to approve 48 hours of vacation leave for Nathan Schools

Approved 5 - 0

E.O. 192008012 – An order to approve 4 hours of vacation leave for Kim Beam

Approved 5 - 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

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Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 192008009 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #15

Approved 5 - 0

The amount was \$719,530.79

Includes the second payment to MSAD#6

E.O. 192008010 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #14

Approved 5 - 0

The amount was \$74,556.95

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Board of Selectmen Meeting is Wednesday, August 21 at 7:00PM

Comprehensive Plan Meeting Monday, August 19 at 6:30PM

Other Business

None

Public Comments and Questions

Andrew Mason and his grandmother Florence Mason said they are glad to see the Powder House is being cleaned up. There was further conversation with Mr. Mason asking the Board questions on local government procedures.

Executive Session

None

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Adjournment-

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:40PM

Approved 5 - 0

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

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Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Thomas Peters, Selectman

Date Signed: _____

Video Taped by Harrison Beam