

Town of Buxton
Minutes for March 29, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting

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*Members Present: Clifford L. Emery, Dennis P. Santolucito, Mark P. Blier
Jean C. Harmon and Chad E. Poitras were absent.*

Others Present: David Harmon, Steven Johnson

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

Opened Bid for Fire Station & Dry Hydrant Plowing (1)

The Board received one bid in the amount of \$33,900 from Steven Johnson, Solid Ground.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for March 15, 2017
Approved 3-2*

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for March 22, 2017
Approved 3-2*

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

Toby Reynolds from Buxton Little League was in to talk with the Board about upgrades they would like to do at the ball field at Town Farm Park.

Catherine Lamson from the Dorcas Society came in to update the Board on Dorcas Day that will be at Tory Hill on August 5. There will be a car show in the morning, a craft fair that will be going on most of the day on the church lawn and fireworks in the evening. The well-known band,

Ghost of Paul Revere will be coming in from Colorado to perform. Last year they performed two sold out performances at Merrill Auditorium. Because space is limited at Tory Hill, there will be a maximum of 350 tickets available for this performance. The Dorcas Society will be coming out in the next month with the tickets and information on where/how they can be purchased.

After that, the Board discussed some budget issues and items that will be on the warrant in June.

5. Review of Correspondence

- *Weekly Legislative Bulletin from Maine Municipal Association*
- *Email from Representative Don Marean – Re: State House News Update*
- *Email from John Sylvester, Chairman York County Budget Committee – Re: County Budget Committee Caucuses Wednesday, April 12 at 6:30 PM in Alfred*
- *Notice of Planning Board Site Walk Tuesday, March 28*

Since the site walk already took place, Selectman Emery explained what the walk was for.

- *Important Notice to Boat Owners regarding Maine excise taxes*

6. Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Santolucito reported that he has been very busy with the SAD #6 Budget Advisory Committee. They met last Thursday night and reviewed the initial draft of the proposed budget. They have another meeting tomorrow night to flush that out. He said they are still not sure what the increases or decreases are going to look like because of a lot of legislation in Augusta.

Selectman Santolucito also talked about the reapportionment of the number of School Board members. He said it looks like that number will shrink from 14 to 11. The committee is still working on the details. They met last night with a facilitator and a proposal will go to the State by May 11. He asked John Myers to join them to help work on the mechanics of how that is going to work. Selectman Santolucito stated that Representative Don Marean has been keeping an eye on the Frye Island situation almost on a daily basis. He is watching carefully for any bills that come out that would affect us.

Selectman Blier reported that he was here last Thursday night for the Budget Committee Meeting when the Public Works Director presented the department budget. The Ancient Cemeteries budget was also presented and he said they both went very well. He also attended the public meeting Tuesday night on the village zone. The Board came up with a decision that the public is pleased with.

Selectman Emery reported that he attended the same meetings. At the Planning Board meeting Monday night, he gave an overview of what the discussion was going to be on the village zone. Selectman Emery apologized because the meeting was not televised. Our camera man had another commitment and could not be there. Selectman Emery said the meeting was well attended and the Board was pleased to see the participation from people in the community. Selectman

Harmon took notes at the meeting that will be posted on the town's website as soon as they are ready. Selectman Emery said when the notes are ready, he will go over it at a Selectmen's Meeting so the public can hear that. Selectman Emery went on to say that he has been getting some work done for the Town Report and working with Selectman Harmon on the warrant. The Board will present their portion of the budget to the Budget Committee tomorrow night and the Committee will workshop after that.

7. Old Business

Charter Review Committee

8. New Business

None

9. Executive Orders

E.O. 161703022 – An order to accept the Winter Road Sand bid from Gorham Sand & Gravel for 2017 - 2020.

Approved 3-2

E.O. 161703023 – An order to approve Kimberly Beam's attendance at the Municipal Technology Conference

Approved 3-2

E.O. 161703024 – An order to approve Nathan Schools' attendance at the Maine Fire Chiefs Annual Meeting/Conference

Approved 3-2

E.O. 161703025 – An order to approve Kimberly Beam's attendance at the MMA Tax Collectors' & Treasurers' Association Conference

Approved 3-2

10. Executive Orders by Initiative

E.O. 161703026 – An order to accept the resignation of David Field as Trustee of Pleasant Point Park effective 3-22-2017

Approved 3-2

11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 161703020 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #80

Approved 3-2

The amount was \$38,311.77

E.O. 161703021 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #79

Approved 3-2

The amount was \$45,632.41

12. Next Meeting of the Board

Budget Committee Meeting Thursday, March 30 at 7:00 PM at Buxton Town Hall

SAD 6 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, March 30 at 6:00 PM at the District Office on 4A

Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting Monday, April 3 at 6:30 PM

Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 PM

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, April 5 at 7:00 PM

Budget Committee Meeting Thursday, April 6 at 6:30 PM

13. Other Business

Buxton Recreation is holding a free senior luncheon on Friday, April 7. Lunch will be served at noon with puzzles, games, and cribbage available for those who want to stay for the afternoon.

This is a FREE event, but please call the Buxton Recreation Department at 929-8381 to reserve a spot.

Also, we encourage you to call Buxton Recreation or log on to www.buxtonrec.com to find a large array of fun adult & senior programs that we have scheduled, including:

- Free Movie Days on big screen at Buxton Town Hall April 11 & May 16*
- Trip to Oxford Casino April 19*
- Active Living Every Day Class starting April 24 (12 week session incl. materials)*
- Performance by Windham Center Stage Theater with catered lunch on April 26*
- Trip to Hackmatack Theater in Berwick to see The Buddy Holly Story July 20*
- Trip to Montreal, Quebec City, and Ottawa September 17-22*

14. Public Comments and Questions

Selectman Santolucito explained that Selectman Poitras is not attending this meeting because he is at a Crime Watch meeting in Chicopee.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

15. Executive Session

None

16. Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 PM

Approved 3-2