

*Town of Buxton
Minutes January 8, 2020
Selectmen's Meeting*

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

Members Present: Chad E. Poitras, Thomas J. Peters, Mark J. Blier, Dennis P. Santolucito and Francis E. Pulsoni

Others in attendance: Ellen H. DeCotiis, Julie Gamelson, Scott Warchol, Trudy Kent, Dave Harmon and Jon Bartlett

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:09PM.

The Selectmen recited the Pledge

Selectman Poitras introduced and congratulated Frank Pulsoni for winning the vacant seat on the Board. Selectman Pulsoni said he has lived and worked in this town for thirty-nine years. He thank everyone for supporting him and added he is going to do his best for the Town of Buxton.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for December 18, 2019
Approved 4-0 -1*

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:35PM Chief Cline was in, the Board went into executive session at 4:35PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) on a personnel issue.

At 5:00PM Carol Sanborn, Barry Plummer and Peter Bassett came forward to show support for creating a Charter Review Committee.

Sterling Roop of the 2020 Census was in at 5:30PM regarding the process involved with the upcoming Census. There are posters up and information on the website and many job openings available. Mr. Roop will send more information to Krystal Dyer to keep the web site current.

Public Works Director Kevin Kimball was in at 6:00PM with updates on the plowing, sanding and salting, as well as roadside mowing for the upcoming budget season.

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At 6:38PM the Board went into executive session per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) on a personnel issue with an employee.

Review of Correspondence

- *Email from Randy Illian, of MDOT, Re: Scoping meeting #3 for The Downs Mixed-Use Development, Scarborough, Me.*
- *Email from Susanne Meidel of Maine Water Quality Standards, Re: Meeting Federal Clean Water Act Requirements*
- *Email from Tony Vigue of CTAM, Re: Comcast v. Mills decision*
- *Email from Jeff Behler, Director of U.S. Census Bureau, New York RCC Partnership Newsletter*
- *Email from Shelley Winchenbach, Charter Communications, Re: Upcoming Changes*
- *Email from DHHS, Re: Maine CDC Drinking Water Program Fall/Winter 2019 Newsletter*
- *Email from Jonathan Youde of Maine Power Options, Re: Renewable Energy Certificates*
- *Email from York County Community Action, Re: Newsletter*
- *Email from Saco River Corridor Commission*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Pulsoni said he has been working in this town for almost forty years, everyone know him, but there are always a few people he doesn't even know. He hopes he can help bring the town forward and he thanked everyone again for all the support.

Selectman Blier spoke with Chief Schools regarding the union negotiations. He also had a discussion with Treasurer Kim Beam over the cost of Maine State Retirement Program, the Board will decide whether to offer it to the Town employees. MMA came in this past fall and identified some buildings that were in need of repair. One shed has been re-shingled, another still needs repair and two are under Public Works Director, Kevin Kimball. They plan to add the repair costs to next year's budget.

Selectman Poitras was in the past two weeks to sign the warrant and has worked on a Health Officer issues.

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Selectman Santolucito also came in to sign the warrants. He praised the Public Works Department for how they handled the challenges of the past thirty-six hour storm. They did a great job.

Selectman Santolucito also spoke with the Fire Chief on a few minor technology acquisitions that were not in the budget and will need to be added to next year's budget.

Selectman Peters was asked by Chief Schools to sit in on an interviews committee for a Career Officer's. The position has been offered to one of the candidates. Also Kevin Kimball heard that surrounding towns were purchasing salt at a lesser price than we do. He did a little investigation and is now saving the town \$3 per ton. He thanked Kevin for putting the effort in and saving the town some money.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

*E.O. 192001003 – An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Exemption for [Map 1, Lot 168-6]
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 192001004 – An order to appoint Carol B. Sanborn to the position of Carroll Park Trustee member to be effective until December 31, 2022
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 192001005- An order to appoint Jeremie Montgomery to the position of Bonny Eagle Park Trustee member to be effective until December 31, 2022
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 192001006- An order to appoint Carolyn A. Snell to the position of Buxton Toy Box Committee member to be effective until December 31, 2022
Approved 5-0*

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E.O. 192001007- An order to approve 8 hours of bereavement pay for David Anderson

Approved 5-0

E.O. 192001008- An order to approve 8 hours of Vacation Leave for Peter Gordon

Approved 5-0

E.O. 192001009 - An order to approve John Myers to attend International Institute of Municipal Clerks Annual Meeting

Approved 5-0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 192001001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #53, 55 & 57

Approved 5 - 0

Warrant #53 in the amount of \$95,506.19

Warrant #55 in the amount of \$15,513.32

Warrant #57 in the amount of \$131,840.50

E.O. 192001002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #52, 54 & 56

Approved 4 - 0

Warrant #52 in the amount of \$64,845.99

Warrant #54 in the amount of \$63,725.90

Warrant #56 in the amount of \$76,692.71

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Next Meeting of the Board

MSAD#6 Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) Thursday, January 9 at 6:00PM held at central office

The Planning Board will meet on Monday, January 13 at 7:00PM

The next Board of Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, January 15 at 7:00PM

Other Business

Maine Revenue Service audit's the town on Tree growth, farm land, etc.. Its very important to keep track of these taxes.

Public Comments and Questions

Trudy Kemp asked about having all the correspondence listed on the web site for everyone to view. The Board will look into it and have an answer at the next meeting. She also asked about bringing Hazardous Waste Day back. There was further discussion regarding Hazardous Waste Day and being able to drop it on any day.

Ellen Decotiis encouraged the Board to attend the MSAD#6 Budget Advisory Committee meetings that have started up on Thursday evenings. She requested for a select board member to attend before the end of the budgeting process.

She also asked if the correspondence might have any relevance to the town, like the renewable energy certificates, solar or LED lighting. Selectman Blier said he plans to budget to change the parking lot lights to LED's next year, not for the energy consumption, but for the maintenance.

Dave Harmon added that the issue of the hazardous waste day is due to the storage of hazardous waste. There was more discussion regarding a Hazardous Waste Day vs. being able to drop off hazardous waste on any day.

Executive Session

None

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Adjournment-

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:34PM

Approved 5 -0

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Dennis Santolucito, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni

Date Signed: _____
Video Taped by Harrison Beam