

*Town of Buxton
Minutes April 22, 2020
Selectmen's Meeting*

This meeting was streamed on the Saco River Community Media at <https://www.src-tv.org/>

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: No one, due to the coronavirus all town buildings are closed to the public

The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

The Selectmen recited the Pledge

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2020
Approved 5 – 0,*

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

Selectman Poitras said the board comes in to the building about 6:00pm, due to the building still being closed to the public because of the coronavirus. There was discussions of repairs at the Bar Mills Fire Station and the plan for reopening the town buildings. We are hoping that Governor Mills will be lifting some of the restrictions soon. Transfer Station Director Greg Heffernan has developed a plan to reopen the transfer station. Selectmen Blier and Pulsoni along with the Facilities Manager Kert Jackson are preparing the building for sneeze guard barriers for the town office staff. We are trying to balance what is safe and practical for the public and our employees. FEMA will reimburse up to 75% for protection barriers, which would help offset the cost. The Board also talked about a Liquor license and current events around town.

Review of Correspondence

- Email from Jonathan Youde or Maine Power Options, Re: Electricity forward pricing Selectman Santolucito will following up on this.*

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Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Pulsoni has been in the office and staying on top of all coronavirus info.

Selectman Blier has been speaking with an attorney regarding an employee issue and reviewing a lease option for a solar ray to be located behind the Town Hall at the old dump site. There are still many questions and options regarding the 40-year term offered. There will be further discussion on this.

He is trying to figure out how to allocate money for the much-needed roof repair at the Bar Mills fire station and he spoke to Fire Chief Schools regarding the fire union negotiations.

Selectman Blier has been in contact with Kert Jackson regarding the quotes for the sneeze guards for the front office area.

He has been talking with Sheridan Bennet and Treasurer Kim Beam regarding the budget with Burgess Technologies. The Board will be meeting with the Budget committee to finalize the warrant on Tuesday night.

Selectman Santolucito has been working on the technology side of the budget, saying it will be done by the end of this week. He added that "it looks fairly flat for next year".

The town has a contract with MainePower Options and Maine Bond Bank which expires this fall. Due to the economic situation we could save about\$ 3,700.00 annually on our electricity. He will contact Jonathan Youde for recommendations and get back to the Board next week.

Selectman Peters has been focusing on COVID-19 issues

Selectman Poitras staying up to date on the COVID-19 issues. He spoke with Chief Schools regarding the safety of fire personnel, mutual aid and the fire in Town a few days ago.

He received a call with concerns from a resident regarding a parcel of land on Mary Jane Road, it has been addressed.

Selectman Poitras also had a conversation with Greg Heffernan regarding opening up the transfer station.

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

*E.O. 192004014 - An order to appoint Peter C. Gordon to the position of Code Enforcement Officer, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004015 - An order to appoint Peter C. Gordon to the position of Building Inspector, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004016 - An order to appoint Peter C. Gordon to the position of Plumbing Inspector, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004017 - An order to appoint Tammy M. Munson to the position of Deputy Code Enforcement Officer, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004018 - An order to appoint Tammy M. Munson to the position of Deputy Building Inspector, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004019 - An order to appoint Tammy M. Munson to the position of Deputy Plumbing Inspector, effective until April 30, 2021
Approved 5 – 0*

*E.O. 192004020 - An order to appoint Benjamin L. Pinault to the position of Saco River Corridor Commission member to be effective until November 1, 2022
Approved 5 – 0*

E.O. 192004021 - Due to health concerns related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and pursuant to LD 2167, enacted by the Maine Legislature on March 17, 2020, the Annual Town Meeting secret ballot election scheduled for June 9, 2020, per the Town Charter is

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hereby postponed to Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 5:30 AM for the election of the moderator, at the Buxton Town Hall, 185 Portland Road, with the polls to open from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Approved 5 – 0

Executive Orders by Initiative

E.O. 192004022 – an order to approve liquor license for Julie Grant for Chaps, LLC until April 24, 2021.

Approved 5 – 0

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 192004012 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #91

Approved 5 – 0

In the amount of \$104,521.64

E.O. 192004013 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #90

Approved 5 – 0

In the amount of \$67,589.61

Next Meeting of the Board

The Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, April 29 at 7:00PM

The Selectmen meet via teleconferencing on Friday, April 24 and Monday April 27 for COVID-19 EMA meeting updates.

Other Business

All posted roads have been lifted per Public Works Director Kevin Kimball

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Public Comments and Questions

We received an email from resident asking the following question;

- 1. Regarding a budget committee meeting when Chief Cline presented the Police/Dispatch budget. The Board will have to contact Chief Cline before commenting.*
- 2. Depot Street residents thanked the Police Department for their presents on Depot Street.*
- 3. Has the new ladder fire truck arrived yet? Selectman Poitras said, the Fire truck has been stripped down to the frame, repainted and will be coming to Buxton soon. It should be next to new and serve the town for many years to come.*

Executive Session

None

Adjournment-

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:26PM
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