# Town of Buxton Minutes August 5, 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, Mark J. Blier Francis E. Pulsoni, and David A. Field

Others in attendance: Jon Bartlett,

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

The Selectmen recited the Pledge

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for July 29, 2020 Approved 4–0-1, Selectman Blier was absent

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:30PM the Board went into executive session on a personnel issue at 4:47PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A), out at 4:50PM

Chief Schools and Kate McQuillen came in (will be discussed below under Projects and Issues)

At 5:15PM the Board went into executive session on a personnel issue at 4:47PM per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A)

#### Review of Correspondence

- Email from Shelly Winchenbach of Charter Communications, Re: program changes
- Email from Bruce Locke from Habitat for Humanity York County, Re: looking for building sites
- Email from Edward J. Collins, Jr Center for Public Management, Re: Opening and Reopening Guidelines for local businesses.
- Email from Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition, Re: Monthly newsletter

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- Email from New England ADA Center, Re: The Changing Reality of Disability in America 2020
- Email from Chief School, Re: updates for Tropical Storm Isaias
- Dave Francoeur of York County Emergency Management Agency, Re: Topical Storm Isaias
- Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Re: Maine Drinking Water Program, Water Conservation Resources

## Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Pulsoni spent a lot of time on the phone with legal counsel referencing personnel issues they are dealing with. He also met with Chief Cline in regards to an incident with one of the cruisers today.

Since the storm, a tree in the towns right-of-way has uprooting and is leaning towards a resident's home. Public Works Director, Kevin Kimball and Code Officer Peter Gordon will be working together to take care of it.

Selectman Blier has been in negotiations with the Fire Department for a year and they just signed the contract tonight. As part of the negotiations, we will be offering Maine State Retirement to our employees. This will help bring good quality candidates to our town. There will be a Special Town Meeting on Wednesday, August 19 for the community to come out and vote whether to allow the town to offer Maine State Retirement to our employees. The Board feels it is the right direction and without it, it puts the town at a real disadvantage with other towns.

Otherwise he has been in all week dealing with the roof at Bar Mills Fire Station, water at Town Farm Park, air conditioners at the town hall.

Selectman Poitras has been working with the town's attorney regarding a property on the other end of town involving squatters. He is hoping for an easy resolution next week and we may have a demo project going out to bid soon.

Selectman Field has been in a couple times, working with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball and Code Officer Peter Gordon regarding issues at Pleasant Point Park.

Selectman Peters spoke with Kevin Kimball a couple times about removing stumps on the side of Webster Road. Kevin called around to get some prices from outside vendors, to

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have them removed before plow season, but the crew was able to remove them with our equipment saving the town some money.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

#### **Executive Orders**

E.O. 202108003 – An order to adopt the Rules of the Board for Fiscal Year 2020/21 Approved 5–0

E.O. 202108004 - An order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power Company to construct and maintain one pole on the corner of Old Orchard Road and Town Farm Road, being 2,200 feet North Easterly on Town Farm Road, in accordance with Saco River Telephone, LLC.

Approved 5-0

E.O. 202108005 - An order to approve 32 hours of Vacation Leave for John Myers Approved 5–0

E.O. 202108006 - An order to approve the road name "Liberty Lane" located at Map 9, Lot 2-9-1, off Tapley Road.

Approved 5-0

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

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Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 202108001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #11 Approved 5–0

*In the amount of \$81,283.54* 

E.O. 202108002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #10 Approved 5–0

*In the amount of* \$64,392.48

*Next Meeting of the Board* 

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, August 12 at 7:00PM

Other Business

Absentee ballots are available for the MSAD #6 Budget Validation Referendum

Warrant and Notice of MSAD #6 Budget Validation Referendum on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Buxton Municipal Complex, from 6:00AM to 8:00PM For more information contact Town Clerk, John Myers at 929-6171

Special Town Meeting Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Selectman Blier explained the reason for not voting at the annual town meeting, is that during the negotiations everything is confidential and the Board just signed the contract tonight. Now the residents need to vote on at a special town meeting whether to approve to offer Maine State retirement to the town's employees.

Public Comments and Questions

None

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Executive Session	
None	
Adjournment Motion made and seconded to adjou Approved 5 - 0	ern the Meeting at 7:17PM
Chad E. Poitras, Selectman	Thomas J. Peters, Selectman
Mark J. Blier, Selectman	Francis E. Pulsoni
David A. Field, Selectman	
Date Signed: Video Taped by Harrison Beam	