Town of Buxton Agenda August 19, 2020 Selectmen's Meeting This meeting was streamed on the Saco River Community Media at https://www.src-tv.org/

The Special Town Meeting was held at the Bar Mills Fire Station starting at 7PM

The Pledge was recited

Town Clerk John Myers took over the Special Town meeting;

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Buxton qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Bar Mill Fire Station at 174 Portland Road in said Buxton on the 19th day of August A.D. 2020 (August 19, 2020) at 7:00 p.m. (seven o'clock) in the evening to act on the following Articles.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the Town of Buxton will vote to join the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

as a Participating Local District effective September 1, 2020, and:

a.) To offer Special Plan 2C to its full-time firefighters, police officers, dispatchers and any future

Emergency Medical Services workers who work at least 40 hours per week, 52 weeks per year;

b.) To offer Regular Plan AC to its full-time general government employees who work at least 40

hours per week, 52 weeks per year;

c.) To authorize Chad Poitras, Selectmen Chair to sign the contract between the Town and Maine

Public Employees Retirement System;

- *d.*) To exclude all other employees from participating in MainePERS, including its select board members;
- *d.*) To allow its eligible employees who are currently employed by the Town on September 1, 2020,

who elect to join MainePERS, to purchase prior service upon the employee's full payment of all associated costs. The Town of Buxton will not participate in the purchase of prior service and so employees are responsible for paying the full liability associated with this service.

Article 3. To see what sum not to exceed \$231,000.00 (Two Hundred Thirty One Thousand Dollars) the town will vote to contribute to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System Fund for full time employees. Said money to come from Undesignated Surplus.

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The Selectmen's meeting was called to order at 7:44 PM. 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: David Harmon, Jon Bartlett, Richard Fitzgerald, Kim Beam, Nicole Welch, John Myers

Selectman Poitras opened Crack Sealing Bids announcing the following results:

Coastal Road Repair	\$16.98 per gallon
Indus, Inc.	\$22.87 per gallon
Williams Bros. Paving	\$26.00 per gallon

Approval of Prior Meeting Minute

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for August 12, 2020 Approved 5 – 0,

Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

At 4:30PM Kandice Talbot came in regarding the protocol for the Planning Board to start up again. How they will cycle the applicants through by following COVID-19 guidelines

At 5:30PM Rec Director Nicole Welch was in and announced they are wrapping up the summer program. Due to COVID-19 the number of kids allowed was down and so are the revenues. They are going forward with the soccer programs this fall. The program will be run with regards to CDC Guidelines for COVID-19, wellness checks and temps will be checked, there will be smaller teams, they are not be traveling outside of Buxton, the program will be reviewed on oct. 1st to see what the updated guidelines will be.

MSAD#6 has asked all towns in the district to offer all day child care programs for the hybrid schooling. offer full day child car at the their schools to offset child care

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> *She has received donations from Hannaford* \$150 *athletic equipment and Gorham Sand and Gravel purchased desks for remote classrooms and storage, with a* \$1,200 *donation. The Recreation Department is very thankful.*

Review of Correspondence

- Email from Abbie Sherwin from SMPDC, Re: Maine Climate Council Process
- Email from New England ADA Center, Re: August News letter
- Email from Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission, Re: August News Updates
- Email from Dave Francoeur of York County Emergency Management Agency, Re: Situation Report

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Peters has had a very quiet week and has nothing to report.

Selectman Field spoke with Public Works Director Kevin Kimball regarding upcoming projects at Pleasant Point Park. He has also been in contact with Saco River Corridor Commission. Hoping to complete the project this year.

Selectman Poitras has been in contact with town attorneys regarding squatters in town owned property. We hope to have resolution soon. He also spoke with Joanne Groder at the food co-op running into preserving the food. Selectman Blier looked into installing an air conditioner in the building.

Selectman Blier talked with Fire chief Schools regarding the part time sick time law beginning in January. Provide a vehicle for part time employees with the 457 Plan., worked on tax issues with Treasurer Kim Beam. Still having issues with the well at town farm park, it's not holding water pressure. Possibly a pump problem, hope to have this resolved soon.

Selectman Pulsoni also had a quiet week. spoke with town attorneys on human resource issues. He met with Chief Cline on another personnel issue that has come across his desk.

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 202108013 - An order to set the Mill Rate for Fiscal Year 2020/2021 at \$14.58 per thousand Approved 4 – 0, -1 Selectman Blier abstained

Selectman Blier explained the mill rate process.

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 202108011– An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #15 Approved 5 – 0,

In the amount of \$796,612.94

E.O. 202108012 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #14 Approved 5 – 0,

In the amount of \$65,560.05

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Selectmen's Meeting will be Wednesday, August 26 at 7:00PM. Chief Schools will give his quarterly report at this meeting.

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Other Business

None

Public Comments and Questions

David Harmon asked Selectman Blier's comments about the "vehicle" for the part time employees? Selectman Blier explained that our 457 retirement plan, . A place where Part time employees will be allowed to enroll

Mainepers have to contribute a certain amount 8.1% 8.7 for fire and police

Richard Fitzgerald practiced his COVID-19 speech that he will be giving to the soccer players this fall.

Recreation Director Nicole Welch announced the extra personal protection equipment, such as hand sanitizer,....a lot more supplies.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 8:10PM Approved 5 – 0

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Thomas J. Peters, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Francis E. Pulsoni, Selectman

David A. Field, Selectman

Date Signed: _____ Video Taped by Kyle Durkin and Harrison Beam