<u>Town of Buxton</u> <u>Minutes for July 12, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting</u>

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

Others Present: David Harmon, Ellen DeCotiis, Rich Streeter

<u>Meeting Agenda</u>

1. Call to Order

Selectman Santolucito called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>

The Selectmen recited the Pledge.

3. <u>Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes</u>

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes for July 5, 2017 Approved 5-0

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

The Board had a discussion about the rubbish removal contract and how that might look when it goes out to bid and also talked about carry-forwards.

The Board went into Executive Session at 4:32 PM, per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (D) for contract negotiations. The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:12 PM.

At 5:13 PM the Board went back into Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A) on a personnel matter. The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:27 PM.

Chief Schools met briefly with the Selectmen. They talked about the existing Animal Control Van going to the Buxton Fire Police, the Fire Department banquet, and the fire truck that has been taken out of service. The town does not get a trade-in for the truck. Chief Schools asked the

Board if the town would be willing to donate that to the live-in student program so they have a newer model fire truck to practice on.

5. <u>Review of Correspondence</u>

- Weekly Legislative Report
- State House News Update from Representative Don Marean
- Email from Maine Senator, Amy Volk Re: Priority Statement about the 2017-18 budget

6. <u>Review of Projects and Issues</u>

Selectman Emery talked about the new tractor, lawnmower, and mowing equipment that came in to Public Works this week. They are going to take over mowing at the town complex and fire stations this year and next year they will take over mowing the parks.

Selectman Emery has been working on getting the paperwork signed for the new Animal Control Van which is lined up for delivery to us this week.

Selectman Harmon mentioned a question that came up from a resident about our Fireworks Ordinance. The town's attorney gave us some clarification on that and she was able to get the information to the resident. At the time our ordinance was written it was the state model that was being used. There is a reference to the Town issuing permits. The Town does not issue permits; everything has to go through the State Fire Marshall's Office. The Board is going to look into that and probably make some changes.

Selectman Harmon reported that the attorney is also looking into Board's questions about the Charter Committee and is going to get back to her by the end of this week. The Selectmen are hoping to be able to move that forward starting next week.

Selectman Harmon has been working with the Accounts Payable Clerk and the Treasurer getting everything lined up for the new Fiscal Year. She has been working with the Treasurer this year on the borrowing for the new ambulance, new fire truck and the new addition for the Police Department. The Board is scheduling a Special Town Meeting to take care of some language for that.

Selectman Poitras reported that he checked in with John Myers and Chet Ouellette this week.

Selectman Blier reported talking with Chet Ouellette this week about the provider for our heating. In looking at where it came in this year compared to last, the Board made the decision to continue with Patriot Mechanical Services for another year.

Selectman Blier mentioned that our trash removal contract is coming up for bid next August. He and Greg Heffernan (Transfer Station Manager) discussed the idea of breaking it up and instead

of having one contract, have two where one contractor would be picking up curbside trash and a smaller carrier might take care of the roll off bins we have here.

Selectman Santolucito reported that with the recent installation of the newest cardiac monitor in the rescue at Bar Mills Fire Station, both of the Town's rescue units now have the latest, state of the art, cardiac monitors.

A resident talked with Selectman Santolucito about a split screen for televised meetings, particularly Planning Board meetings. Our equipment has the ability to do a split screen display so that when a developer is here with plans, instead of the audience listening to someone talk about it, they can see it. Selectman Santolucito talked with Kyle Durkin, our Videographer and Krystal Dyer, and put a call in to Jeremiah Ross, the Planning Board Chair to let him know about it. Krystal is going to let developers know to bring a laptop with them with their files on it when they come in to present a plan so they can put it up on the screen and people watching the meeting on the web or on live TV can see a picture of what is being discussed.

Selectman Santolucito went to look at Bonny Eagle Park this week and commented that the grounds were immaculate. The Selectmen invited anyone who is interested in serving as a trustee to contact them.

7. Old Business

Charter Review Committee Aging in Place – AARP Program

8. <u>New Business</u>

None

9. <u>Executive Orders</u>

E.O. 171807009 – An order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power Company and Saco River Telephone LLC to construct and maintain 1 pole located at Parker Farm Road/Thompson Wood Road west from Long Plains a distance of 205 feet +/- per CMP Job #10300353605 Approved 5-0 E.O. 171807010 – An order to approve a pole permit for Central Maine Power Company to construct and maintain 1 pole on Cousins Road southeast from Patten Farm Road a distance of +/- 1800 feet Approved 5-0

E.O. 171807011 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation time for John Myers Approved 5-0

E.O. 171807012 – An order to accept the resignation of Claudine Emerson from the position of Library Director of Berry Library, effective August 5, 2017 Approved 5-0

Claudine has been the Director of Berry Library for the last nine years. Selectman Harmon stated that Claudine has been a great addition to the library and has brought ideas forth including bringing the technology up-to-date, adding a computer room, and adding a bathroom. She said Claudine has been a pleasure to have there and will be missed.

This is a part-time position and Selectman Harmon invited anyone who is interested to contact the Board of Selectmen.

E.O. 171807013 – An order to accept the resignation of Penny Booker from the Planning Board, effective July 11, 2017 Approved 5-0

The Selectmen commented that Penny has served on every board and committee the town has except the School Board and she will be missed as well.

10. Executive Orders by Initiative

None

11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 171807007 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #4 and Warrant #110 Approved 5-0 The amount of Warrant #4 was \$126,667.29 and the amount of Warrant #110 was \$103,019.20

E.O. 171807008 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #3 The amount was \$49,943.19

12. <u>Next Meeting of the Board</u>

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00 PM

13. Other Business

We are accepting applications for a full-time Laborer/Equipment Operator in our Public Works Department. Duties include assisting with maintenance of Town roads, lawn mowing, plowing snow and other duties as assigned. This is a full-time position with benefits. The starting pay rate is \$16.45/hr. More information is available on the web at <u>www.JobsinME.com</u>., or you can contact Tom Kennie, Public Works Director at 929-4400. If interested, please submit cover letter and resume to the Board of Selectmen, Buxton Town Office, 185 Portland Rd., Buxton, ME 04093, or email <u>selectsecbuxton@sacoriver.net.</u> This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive at Buxton Town Hall on Monday, July 17 from 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

The Buxton Recreation Department is offering a mix of free and affordable programs for adults and seniors in the coming months, including trips to Lake Winnipesaukee, Salem Massachusetts, and Fenway to watch the Red Sox. The recreation department's adult and senior programming flyer is now available for pick up at the Town Hall. You can also see upcoming program opportunities at buxtonrec.com. For more information, please call Buxton Recreation at 929-8381.

There will be a Special Town Meeting Wednesday, July 26 at 7:00 PM to address the general obligation bonds that the Town will be using to finance the new fire truck, ambulance, and addition to the police station.

14. Public Comments and Questions

None

15. <u>Executive Session</u>

16. <u>Adjournment</u>

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:24 PM Approved 5-0