

Town of Buxton
Minutes for November 29, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting

Prepared by: Krystal Dyer

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

Others Present: Ellen H. DeCotiis

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Selectmen recited the pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for November 8, 2017
Approved 3-0-2 absent*

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes for November 15, 2017
Approved 4-0-1 absent*

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

Ben Wallace of Great Falls Construction was in for the bi-weekly update. He took the Selectmen on a site walk through the addition to discuss outlets and other electrical wiring placement. The roof is on, shingles this week, windows will be installed the week of December 5th. It's moving along as scheduled.

Recreation Director Nicole Welch updated the Board on the new minimum wage increases effective January 2018 and continuing each year. This was previously built in to her 2017/2018 budget. Wages will be adjusted accordingly based on her recommendations.

Review of Correspondence

- *Email from a Hollis resident concerning the Poland Spring truck route and how it will impact Buxton. The State will take over Killock Pond Road in Hollis as a minor collector state road. On the Route 35 end, there is a concern with water trucks*

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turning on the dangerous corner. When Poland Spring went through the Planning process in Hollis, it was agreed that all truck traffic would stay on the designated route determined by MDOT. The Board will continue to monitor the impact, if any, on Buxton Roads.

- *Email from State representative Donald Marean with his Weekly Update.*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Blier has been working on the generator, they will be performing a shut-down to check the current generator to determine whether it is sufficient to handle the addition and the heat pumps. He also checked on the roof at the Chicopee Fire Station.

Selectman Poitras responded to a call regarding living conditions at a dwelling that was determined to be in Gorham. Update on the Model T fire truck, they fired it up on Saturday. There's been a whole team of town people working on it. It's quite an educational experience.

He also attended The Touch a Truck event and had a great time. Another job well done by Rec Director Nicole Welch and other Department Heads.

Selectman Harmon was in working with Treasurer Kim Beam who provided a draft audit. Working on a few adjustments with the auditor. Will set a date for the special town meeting at the next meeting. The Buxton Toy Box is underway, the applications review process has begun.

Selectman Emery attended the Touch a Truck event and helped the Highway Department decorate the truck that morning. It was very well attended and thanks to everyone who participated.

Selectman Santolucito is working on a tax issue with a business in town. He attended the Touch a Truck event and thanked all the volunteers.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Orders

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*E.O. 171811018 – An order to approve an application for Widow of a Veteran Exemption for [Map 7, Lot 43-1]
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171811019 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Greg Heffernan
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171811020 – An order to approve 32 hours of vacation leave for Troy Cline
Approved 5-0*

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 171811014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #44 (week ending November 25, 2017) in the amount was \$46,634.41

Approved 5-0

*E.O. 171811015 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #43 (Week ending November 25, 2017) in the amount of \$54,193.46
Approved 5-0*

*E.O. 171811016 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #46
Approved 5-0*

The amount was \$268,499.81. This includes the road rebuild of Twin Brooks Drive, paving of Mark P. Emery and Eldon Roads.

*E.O. 171811017 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #45
Approved 5-0*

The amount was \$55,625.95

Next Meeting of the Board

Board of Appeals meeting Tuesday, December 5 at 7 PM

The next Board of Selectmen Meeting is Wednesday, December 6 at 7PM

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SAD#6– RE Budget Advisory Committee Kick Off Meeting on Thursday, December 14, at 7PM at Central Office. This will be a brief meeting to set the schedule.

Other Business

Rabies Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, December 2, from 1 PM to 3 PM at the Public Works Garage (215 Portland Rd) \$8 per vaccination, cash only.

Public Comments and Questions

Ellen DeCotiis referenced an article from a current issue of the Journal Tribune stating the Maine Ecology School will be built in Saco under the Maine Farmland Trust easement. Ms. Decotiis was concerned with the impact from traffic on Buxton roads.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:22 PM
Approved 5-0

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Date Signed: _____
Videotaped by Harrison Beam