## <u>Town of Buxton</u> <u>Minutes for February 28, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting</u>

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Members not Present: Mark J. Blier

Others Present: Roger Tracy and Cynthia Chadwick Grainger

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

## Pledge of Allegiance

The Selectmen recited the pledge.

Cynthia Chadwick Grainger, newly appointed York County Commissioner introduced herself to the Board and the Buxton community. She will be running for York County Commissioner in the November elections.

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

The Board met with Tom Kennie to review the Public Works budget and later with John Myers on the Administrative budgets. Selectman Harmon added that most of the department budgets are coming in flat from last year's requests, but the capital items will be discussed soon.

### Review of Correspondence

- *Email from State Representative Donald Marean Re: Weekly update*
- Email from Robert Hunt Re: Weekly Legislative Report
- Email from MMA Re: legislative Bulletin
- Email from EMA -- Re: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- A letter from John Noll, Dept. of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry Re: Harbor Management and Access grants.

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### Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Emery has been dealing with the budgets every day. He has stopped in to see Krystal Dyer, Greg Heffernan at the Transfer Station and Tom Kennie at Public Works. On Tuesday night he and the board met with Chief Cline to review the Police/Dispatch/Animal Control budget. It's one of the town's larger budgets to review.

Selectman Harmon agreed the department head budgets consume a lot of time, meeting with each department individually. This year the budgets themselves have been flat, but we still have capital items to consider. The front office at the Town Hall had a software update that caused a disruption with residents registering vehicles and paying taxes. We apologize to the residents we inconvenienced and had to ask them to come back. The update is completed, there are some glitches that may still show up. Selectman Harmon added that she had a couple resident issues that will hopefully resolve themselves.

Selectman Poitras he was unable to attend the Selectman's meeting last Wednesday because he assisted the Fire Department with a training exercise at the fire station. He is still working with Tom Kennie, Public Works Director on a couple items. We are in the middle of budget season, which is prime importance at this point and time.

Selectman Santolucito was also involved in the Police/Dispatch/Animal Control budget review this past Tuesday night. He has received the numbers from the Towns Assessor Bob Gingras, which he needed to complete the assessing portion of the budget. The Legislature has proposed changes to the Tree Growth program. Currently twenty percent of land in Buxton is filed under the tree growth program. The proposal is to drop the minimum acreage requirement from ten to twenty-five acres and to give the municipalities the right to not allow any more tree growth in their towns. There is nothing finalized at this time.

### Old Business

The Board is still working on their budget components, they will discuss and then present to the budget committee. On Tuesday, March 6 at 6pm the Budget Committee will meet with the Recreation Dept., Code Enforcement, Transfer Station and Bonny Eagle Park.

#### New Business

None

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#### **Executive Orders**

E.O. 171802015 – An order to approve John Myers to attend the Maine Secretary of State's 2018 Election Conference Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 171802016 – An order to approve Roger Tracy's application of Liquor License, Victualer License and Special Amusement Permit/dba Skip's Lounge, pending correction of all violations listed on an email dated February 26, 2018, presented to the Selectmen per the Town's inspection.

Discussion:

Selectman Emery added that Chief Schools inspected the building today (February 28th). The list is shorter and will now supersede the email from February 26. Once Chief Schools has informed us that he has inspected and approved the building for occupancy, the town will then release the licenses to Mr. Tracy. Approved 4-0-1

Roger Tracy agreed and said that the original violation list was long, but is now shortened. He will remove the fire pit materials and dispose of them at the transfer station. The sprinkler system will be tested tomorrow at 1pm. He still has his own list of improvements to complete, but hopes to open Friday. Selectman Emery reminds him, he still needs approval from the State before he can open. Mr. Tracy understood.

E.O. 171802017 – An order to approve Krystal Dyer to attend Maine Local Government Resources Assoc. (MLGRA). Approved 4-0-1

E.O. 171802018 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Greg Heffernan Approved 4-0-1

Executive Orders by Initiative

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 171802013 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #75 Approved 4-0-1 The amount was \$63,558.84

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E.O. 171802014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #74 Approved 4-0-1 The amount was \$59,280.28

Next Meeting of the Board

SAD6 Board of Directors Meeting Monday, March 5 at 6PM at Central Office

Board of Selectmen will meet on Tuesday, March 6 at 4:00PM for Departmental Budget Review

Board of Appeals will meet for a workshop Tuesday, March 6, at 7:00PM

Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 6, at 6:00PM

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00PM

### Other Business

Starting Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> Nomination papers are available from the Town Clerk's Office for elected official positions.

On February 8<sup>th</sup> Nomination papers where available for MSAD 6 at-Large School Board Director, with Buxton Residency Requirement for a 3 yr term, expiring in June of 2021. Paper are available at the Town Hall or Central Office.

It will now be a district wide vote for ALL candidates running for a position on the school board. Buxton residents will be able to vote for a Hollis, Limington and Standish. There was further discussion by the Board.

### Public Comments and Questions

None

### Executive Session

None

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### Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:27 PM Approved 4-0

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