

Town of Buxton  
Minutes for June 6, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting

*Recorded by Krystal Dyer*

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

*Others Present: David Harmon, Ellen H. DeCotiis*

*Call to Order*

- *The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

- *The Selectmen recited the pledge.*

*Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes*

- *Selectmen Meeting Minutes for May 30, 2018*
- *Approved 3-0-2, Selectmen Emery and Poitras were absent*

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

*A resident stopped in with concerns about issues on Old Pond Road. The Board will address them and investigate further.*

*At 5:35 PM the Board went into Executive Session on a personnel matter, per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A).*

*The Board has started working on calculating the mill rate. The number is based on the school budget, the county budget, and the local town's budget. During the preliminary run the mill rate came out a little higher than they had anticipated. The school budget will add fifty cents on the mill rate, which is a huge impact. The board will be working with the revenue projections and discussing what will be taken out of the Town's undesignated surplus to help offset the municipal increase. It took everyone by surprise and the Board wants the least impact on the residents. The mill rate will be finalized in September.*

*The Buxton Select Board, Town Clerk, and Motor Vehicle Agent will meet with the Hollis Selectmen and Motor Vehicle Agent next Wednesday, June 13 at 5PM. The Town of Hollis will be renovating their Town Hall and it will be closed in August. They are inquiring into a way for the Hollis employees to still be able to continue to serve the Hollis residents.*

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Review of Correspondence

- Email from Jessica Rowe of Maine Power Options Re – notification programs regarding system peak capacity.
- Email from Dave Francoeur of York County EMA Re: – Disaster Assistance from the March 2 thru 8 severe storm and flooding – Public Works Director, Tom Kennie met with FEMA last week. We do not have a response yet. Selectman Santolucito said our Department heads are excellent at documenting every storm.
- Letter from Coastal Healthy Communities Coalition Re – monthly newsletter
- Email notification of Southern Maine Planning & Development Commissions Re: – annual meeting on Wednesday, June 13 at 5:30PM
- Email from Carol Morris of MDOT Re: – Route 112/Exit 36 area Public Listening Session June 14 at 6:00PM at the Saco City Hall Auditorium. They are looking for input on making this area more pedestrian and bike friendly.

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Emery has been attending the York County Budget meetings every Wednesday evening, but he did stop by on Friday and spoke with Public Works Director, Tom Kennie and Chief Schools. He is now focusing on the town meeting and elections next week.

Selectman Harmon attended the SAD6 School Budget vote last Thursday night. There were forty-seven people in attendance with twenty-two being Buxton residents who voted on a forty-nine million dollar budget. On Tuesday, June 12th, the school vote will be on the ballot and will be a yes or no vote. There will be no dollar amounts on the ballot.

On Tuesday, June 5th the Good Shephard Food Mobile was in Buxton. Seventy-six families received food assistance. It was a huge success, being able to provide food for residents. She praised the Buxton volunteers for all they do.

Selectman Harmon has also been going over the numbers for the calculation of the mill rate.

There were some issues at Pleasant Point Park regarding eight individuals arrested for being at the park after it was closed and setting a picnic table on fire. The Board is in the process of having new signs made up for the park. All the Selectmen have received a copy of suggestions from Michael Robinson. Selectman Harmon recommends having at least two signs to welcome visitors to the park that include the rules and to be respectful of the park. The signs will be placed at both entrances to the park, but also have two signs visible to people entering the park from the water informing them of the Town's expectations. The Selectmen are concerned that the vandalism has already started and much earlier this year. She warns, if this behavior continues, the park will be closed, which would be unfortunate for the Buxton residents to be penalized for other people's behavior.

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*Selectman Blier said Buxton was the place to be on Saturday. Reynolds Sports Center had a bike rally and Saco River Dentistry had its open house. They offered a family friendly atmosphere with food, music, and tour of the state of the art facility. Governor LePage spoke at the opening ceremony. There was a great turnout and this is a great addition to our community. He gave a special thanks to the Fire and Police Departments, they did a great job controlling traffic and keeping everyone safe along route 202.*

*Selectman Blier also attended a Comprehensive Plan meeting on Monday. DEP has given us some guidelines and is requesting a storm water management plan. It is his hope to not spend any money by hiring a tree cutting company. Selectman Blier spoke with Public Works Director Tom Kennie, who said that they may have some free time to stump and clear the trees in the fall.*

*Selectman Blier met with Facilities Manager, Chet Ouellette and Patriot Mechanical concerning the future of the existing air conditioning system, adding that eventually this system will be phased out as the parts are becoming obsolete. He is being proactive in the event the system breaks. He also rode around Pleasant Point Park after the recent incident.*

*Selectman Poitras said he did not attend last week's Selectman's meeting due to a prior commitment, but did make phone calls for the dedication of the town report before the meeting.*

*He also contacted Public Works Director Tom Kennie regarding replacing culverts on Warren and Spruce Swamp Roads and he has been working with a resident concerning the Rescue Prescription Program.*

*Selectman Santolucito will be working with Patrick Bonsant concerning the replaying of the Town meetings on the Saco River cable channel and a minor upgrade with the computers at the Public Works Department.*

*Selectman Santolucito stopped by the Saco River Dentistry open house and spoke with Dr. Nick Roy, who has built this business up to a twenty-three person staff, which now includes four Dentists. It's a beautiful building and the town will benefit. Buxton is a business friendly community.*

Old Business

None

New Business

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*None*

*Executive Orders*

*E.O. 171806003 – An order to approve 8 hours of vacation leave for Krystal Dyer  
Approved 5 - 0*

*Executive Orders by Initiative*

*None*

*Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants*

*E.O. 171806001 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable  
Warrant #106  
Approved 5- 0*

*The amount was \$58,479.10*

*E.O. 171806002 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant  
#105  
Approved 5- 0*

*The amount was \$ 66,856.79*

*Next Meeting of the Board*

*The Buxton Planning Board meet on Monday, June 11 at 7:00 PM*

*Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, June 13 at 7:00PM*

*Public Hearing for the York County Budget Committee meeting Wednesday, June 13 at  
6:30PM, located in York County Government Building at 149 Jordan Springs Rd, Alfred*

*Other Business*

*Voting is next Tuesday, June 12, Polls open from 6:00AM to 8:00PM*

*Kimberly Beam has completed the annual training and is certified with Maine Municipal  
Tax Collector and Treasurer Association.*

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Public Comments and Questions

*None*

Executive Session

*None*

Adjournment

*Motion made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting at 7:27 PM*  
*Approved 5 - 0*

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*Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman*

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*Chad E. Poitras, Selectman*

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*Jean C. Harmon, Selectman*

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*Clifford L. Emery, Selectman*

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*Mark J. Blier, Selectman*

*Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_*  
*Videotaped by Kyle Durkin*