Town of Buxton Minutes for October 10, 2018 Selectmen's Meeting

Recorded by Krystal Dyer

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

Others in attendance: None

Public Hearing 7:04 PM

The Selectmen are requesting public comments and questions on amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance Appendix (A – D)

A motion was made to open the public hearing at 7:05 Approved 5-0

Selectman Emery read the Annual Adoption of MMA Model Ordinance General Assistance Appendices (A-D) Each municipality is required by law to adopt the local General Assistance Ordinance and Appendices every year after notice and public hearing. The Ordinance and Appendices include:

- Appendix A which lists <u>overall maximum levels of assistance</u> for all municipalities in the State and;
- Appendices B, C, & D which list <u>maximum amounts allowed for food, housing and utilities.</u>

Most of the maximum levels have either increased or remained the same. The amount of increase varies depending on the makeup of the household, income, and other factors. Having no questions or comments, the public hearing closed at 7:07 PM. Approved 5-0

The Selectman's meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

The Selectmen recited the pledge.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for September 26, 2018 Approved 4-0-1

Selectmen Meeting Minutes for October 3, 2018 Approved 3–0-2 Discussion held between 4:00 & 7:00 PM

Chief Cline came in at 5:30 PM the Board went into Executive Session on a personnel matter, per 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A)

Caroline Nickerson and Mary Weyer, Town of the Hollis Librarians came in to discuss a grant involving four local libraries (two in Hollis, Berry Library and Waterboro Library) The Board will follow up with them next week.

Code Officer Peter Gordon stopped to update the Board on a code issue.

Selectman Blier is working on getting a complete installation quote for the heat pumps at the Bar Mills and Groveville Fire stations. The Board is looking for a guaranteed final number before making a decision.

Review of Correspondence

• *Email from Don Marean, Re: Weekly update. One of the updates was with open enrollment for Medicare insurances.*

Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Blier has been working with Kandice Talbot in the Code Office regarding the open space and what DEP is still investigating the original plan. They want setbacks to be 140 feet from the wetland.

Monday and Tuesday night Selectman Blier was at the interviews for the Public Works Director position. Everyone interviewed very well and he thanked everyone who applied.

Selectman Poitras sat in on the Tuesday interviews and answered a residents questions concerning the police coverage in town.

Dennis P. Santolucito answered a residents questions concerning ditching and culvert replacement and how the Town prioritizes the paving of the roads. He explained that the roads to be paved first, are the ones to have the ditching and culvert repair completed first.

He also attended the Public Works Director interviews, all excellent candidates. Also, he is still working with Spectrum to resolve our billing issue. Having trouble finding a contact person.

Selectman Harmon said a resident informed her of a right-of-way issue the resident was having and just wanted the Board to be aware of it.

John Myers, Town Clerk asked if they could have a ballot clerk come in to just process absentee ballots for a few hours a day. The front office is shorthanded and have processed over three hundred ballots in the past week. She did not see a problem with this.

Selectman Harmon also sat in on the Public Works interviews and added that they went extremely well and it's a very tough position to have to fill because of the person who was there previously.

Selectman Emery said the interviews went well and he was very impressed with all the candidates. He will make an offer by the end of the week.

Selectman Emery was in to the town office a few times, he talked with Town Clerk, John Myers concerning in the front office.

Old Business

The Board did not have time to discuss the Carry Forwards. Based on the first draft, it looks good, but they may want to tweak it a bit.

New Business

None

Executive Orders

E.O. 181910007 – An order to adopt changes to the Personnel Policy regarding compensation for full time, per diem and paid on call Fire-Rescue employees, effective October 9, 2018. *Approved* 5–0

E.O.181910008 – An order to approve the hire of Derek F. Dinsmore as a part-time Reserve Officer starting October 1, 2018, at a pay rate of \$17.34 per hour Approved 5–0

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Executive Orders by Initiative

E.O. 181910009 –An order to adopt the Maine Municipal Association model ordinance GA Appendices (A-D) for the period of October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019 Approved 5–0

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

E.O. 181910005 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Accounts Payable Warrant #33 Approved 5-0

The amount was \$43,065.71

E.O. 181910006 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #32 Approved 5-0

The amount was \$61,944.20

Next Meeting of the Board

The next Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 PM

Comprehensive Planning Committee meeting Monday, October 15 at 5:30PM a site walk at Emery O Ranch off Chicopee Road

Other Business

The Board will be attending the Fire Departments annual meeting at Flannigan Farm on Tuesday, October 16. The owner very graciously donated the building to the Fire Department for their annual banguet.

Public Comments and Questions

None

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Executive Session

None

Adjournment-

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

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Mark J. Blier, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

Date Signed: _____ Videotaped by Harrison Beam