

Town of Buxton
Minutes for February 24, 2016 Selectmen's Meeting

Prepared by: Beverly Gammon

*Members Present: Clifford L. Emery, Jean C. Harmon, Peter E. W. Burns, Dennis Santolucito
Chad E. Poitras was absent.*

Others Present: David Harmon, Julie Gamelson, Ellen DiCotiis, Patrick Hanna

Selectmen's Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

Selectman Emery called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board recited the Pledge.

3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

*Selectmen Meeting Minutes February 17, 2016
Approved 4-0-1*

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

Around 4:30 the Board had Tashia Pinkham, our Recreation Director, come in to go over pending budget items she had when she presented her budget. Selectman Emery was not here for most of her budget presentation so the Board wanted to make sure they got back to her in a timely manner with their decision on some of those items.

At 5:00 John Myers presented his portion of the Administration budget.

At 6:04 PM the Board went into Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A), on a personnel matter. The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:09 PM.

After that, the Board met with Steve Heroux from the Business Advisory Committee. He gave the Selectmen copies of the plan that was presented to the Planning Board Monday night.

Selectman Emery explained that when the terrible car accident happened at the intersection of Henry Hill Road and Turkey Lane where a high school girl was killed, that vehicle became part of an ongoing case, and the community the accident happened in is responsible for protecting and securing the vehicle until the case goes to court. No one knows how long that may take; it could be several years. At present the vehicle is in the wash bay at Public Works but the Public Works Department needs the space. The Selectmen have located a 14 x 24 foot pre-fabricated building that they plan to purchase and put in the back parking lot to park that vehicle in. The Board has been informed that the vehicle has to be in a building under lock and key.

5. Review of Correspondence

- Legislative Bulletin Volume #6 from Maine Municipal Association
- Email from Marian Alexandre, Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission – Re: Newsletter
- Email from Senator Linda Valentino – Re: Legislative Update
- Email from Maine Resource Recovery Association – Re: Nominations Wanted 2016 Maine Recycling & Solid Waste Awards
- Email from Dave Francoeur, Deputy Director, York County EMA – Re: Training Announcement
- Email from John Myers, Town Clerk – Re: Good Morning Legislation

6. Review of Projects and Issues

Selectman Santolucito reported that he is continuing to review budgets that are here and reviewed the Public Works Budget Monday night. He is finishing the small items for the budget that he has and will have them ready next week. He mentioned the SAD #6 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting tomorrow night at 6 o'clock. The public is invited to that meeting and he plans to be there.

Selectman Harmon has been reviewing budgets and did the Public Works budget Monday night. The Board will be doing the Fire-Rescue budget next Wednesday night at 4:00 and she encouraged the Selectmen to be here by 4:00. Selectman Harmon said she will be working on the warrant very soon.

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Last Thursday morning Selectman Burns participated in the interviews for 2 positions in Dispatch. Later in the afternoon and into the evening he and the rest of the Board interviewed applicants for the Police Chief position, and he was here for a workshop following that.

Selectman Burns reported was here with the rest of the Selectmen Monday night to go over the Public Works budget. Earlier that day he went to Hillview Mini-Barns in Lyman to look at their prefabricated buildings. He discussed it with the rest of the Board Monday night and went back on Tuesday to look again at one particular building that would suit our needs. The Board discussed it this evening and made the decision to buy it. Selectman Burns also reported that he has been working to finish up his portion of the budget.

Selectman Emery reported that he came in to meet with the rest of the Board after the interviews for Police Chief. He was also here for the Board's meeting at 4 o'clock Monday night with Tom Kennie to go over the Public Works budget. After that, he stayed for the Planning Board meeting to support the Business Advisory Group and their first presentation to the Planning Board.

Selectman Emery has been working here in the office all day today on various projects some of which the Board will be talking about later in this meeting.

7. Old Business

Selectman Harmon reminded the other selectmen to get their pieces of the budget to Bev Gammon to be typed up. Selectman Harmon reported that she was here last night for the Budget Committee Meeting where one of our Department Heads, Greg Heffernan, presented the Transfer Station budget. She reported that next week they will go over Recreation and Code Enforcement budgets.

8. New Business

None

9. Executive Orders

*E.O. 151602016 – An order to approve an Application for a Veteran Property Tax Exemption for [Map 4, Lot 71]
Approved 4-0-1*

10. Executive Orders by Initiative

Before doing the Executive Order, the Chairman read a letter that the Board is sending to the applicant for a new Liquor License.

*E.O. 151602017 – An order to deny an Application for a Liquor License for Danielle Maple Johannesen, D/B/A Skip's Lounge
Approved 4-0-1*

11. Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants

*E.O. 151602014 – An order approving expenditures as documented in the Accounts Payable Warrant #73
Approved 4-0-1
The amount was \$35,134.76*

*E.O. 151602015 – An order approving expenditures as documented in Payroll Warrant #72
Approved 4-0-1
The amount was \$52,353.39*

12. Next Meeting of the Board

Budget Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 1 at 6:30 PM

Board of Selectmen Meeting Wednesday, March 2 at 7:00 PM

MSAD #6 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Thursday, February 25, at Central Office

Buxton Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing Monday, March 14, 2016, at 7:00 PM.

13. Other Business

None

14. Publ

15. ic Comments and Questions

Ellen DiCotiis went to the podium and asked the Board if the first time the public can see the budget is at the Annual Town Meeting.

Selectman Harmon explained the process and there was a brief discussion about that.

Ms. DiCotiis asked about Maine Municipal Association (MMA) and legislation that may be passed. She asked if money is put into the budget to accept legislation that might be passed.

Selectman Burns explained that the Town pays for membership in MMA but we cannot build our Town budgets around what may or may not happen at the Legislature. He explained that the Legislature understands when towns set their budgets and if legislation is passed that affects the town how the budgeting is done.

Ms. DiCotiis said she read an article about recycling and waste composting and was wondering how that would be integrated. She went on to say her understanding is that steps are put into place for the departments to carry that out later on.

Selectman Burns explained that it would not go in this calendar year but the next.

Ms. DiCotiis thanked the Board.

There were no more comments or questions.

16. Executive Session

None

17. Adjournment

*Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM
Approved 4-0-1*

Clifford L. Emery, Selectman

Jean C. Harmon, Selectman

Peter E. W. Burns, Selectman

Dennis P. Santolucito, Selectman

Chad E. Poitras, Selectman

*Date Signed: _____
Recorded by Kyle Durkin*