

**BUCKFIELD SELECT BOARD  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022  
MEETING MINUTES**

In Person and Remote Participation via ZOOM / 6:30 PM

Roll Call / Declare Quorum: Chair Cheryl Coffman called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Present in person: Vice Chair Cameron Hinkley, Selectman Robert Hand, Rescue Chief Chip Richardson.

Present via ZOOM: Selectperson Janet Iveson, Selectman Mike Iveson, Sun Journal Steve Sherlock, resident Penny Horsfall, Town Manager Lorna Nichols.

Remote Meeting Participation Protocol

Public Comment Period (*the Board sets up to 15 minutes aside as a public comment period at the beginning of every meeting*). There were no public comments.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

FY 19-20 AUDIT INVOICES: The Town Manager provided an update to the Board on the additional charges on the invoice provided by auditor Ron Beaulieu & Company. Reviewed attorney John Conway Esq.'s recommendation regarding having a CPA review the charges that tallied over \$10,000. Discussion by board members followed.

***Cameron Hinkley made a motion that the Town Manager correspond with previous auditor once more and state they have been advised by the attorney that the Town needs to receive satisfactory information before the Town considers paying the invoice, Mike Iveson second – all in favor.***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

RAILROAD BED ROAD: The Town Manager stated that a property owner along this trail called to report that someone privately is plowing access on the road and had been plowing to her property. However, another local resident of town has an issue with this because the road is a snowmobile ITS trail, this is not a winter-maintained road, this is a recreational trail. The caller was informed by this person that she needed approval from the town for this private person to continue to plow for her. The woman caller/property owner lives out of state and wanted clarification. The location of this is on the town end of the road. There are a handful of houses that have someone privately plowing so they can access their property. Discussion by board members followed.

***Cheryl Coffman motion for the Town Manager to do additional research on this item to answer questions and bring answers back by next meeting, Cameron Hinkley second - all in favor.***

COVID TESTING/VACCINE CLINIC: The Town Manager advised that Crossroads Youth Center out of Saco reached out and asked if there was any place in Buckfield to host a testing clinic for Covid. Lorna reached out to the fire and rescue chiefs to see if this was possible to do. A plan was devised for those interested in testing to drive behind the rescue building for tests and would have volunteers walk out to vehicles to provide services. Discussion by board members followed. Rescue Chip Richardson stated that the center forwarded some forms to pre-register those who are interested and that the Center is setting up similar testing sites statewide through a federal grant they received.

***Cameron Hinkley motion to approve the Covid clinic on February 24<sup>th</sup>, Cheryl Coffman second - all in favor.***

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – The Town Manager discussed her report (sent electronically, see attached).

MINUTES – Approve Minutes of January 4

***Cameron Hinkley motion to approve as written, Janet Iveson second - all in favor.***

BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: The Town Manager stated that the planning board was low on membership and needed more volunteers. She also stated that the rec committee was also lacking in committee membership which jeopardizes activities.

WARRANTS:

AP 26: \$19,327.61 ***Cameron Hinkley, motion to approve, Cheryl Coffman second - all in favor.***

AP 27: \$746.00 (BMV) ***Janet Iveson motion to approve, Cheryl Coffman second - all in favor.***

AP 28: \$16,574.87 ***Cheryl Coffman motion to approve, Cameron Hinkley second - all in favor.***

AP 29: \$141,682.63 (includes school pmt. ***Cameron Hinkley motion to approve, Cheryl Coffman second - all in favor.***

MARIJUANA ORDINANCE/PLANNING BOARD: Janet Iveson gave a brief update to the board.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Executive Session PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6) if needed: No action taken.

**ADJOURN *Cheryl Coffman motion to adjourn at 7:47pm, Mike Iveson second - all in favor.***

Upcoming Meetings:

January 18, 2022 – Post Warrant for STM  
January 20, 2022 – Planning Board Meeting – 6 p.m.  
Special Town Meeting – Vote January 25, 2022  
Board of Assessors Wednesday, January 26? 2022  
Regular BOS Meeting Tuesday, February 2, 2022, 6:30 p.m.  
Regular BOS Meeting Tuesday, February 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m.