

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of the previous meeting

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of June 23, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  - a. Treasurer's Warrants June 2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending June 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Financials ending 6-30-2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the financial reports ending June 30, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Letter from Christopher White regarding road improvements  
-Town Manager responded to a second letter from Christopher White advising him that the Town cannot legally work outside of its right-of-way.
  - d. Municipal Tax Rate Calculation Form  
-Town Manager reported that the 2011 Municipal Tax Rate Calculation has an overlay of \$187,739. The tax rate for this year is the same as it was last year at 12.52 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.
  - e. Letter of resignation Town Manager  
-Town Manager presented his letter of resignation to council members.
  - f. Letter from Bangor Gas Company regarding extension of gas into the compact area  
-Town Manager reported that Bangor Gas is prepared to extend natural gas service in Bucksport to serve Municipal Buildings School Facilities, several business and residents.

- g. Letter and information regarding Smart meters
    - Council Members were provided an informational letter regarding Smart Meter news. Maine's Public Utility Commissioners believe that offering customers alternative options to wireless smart meters is in the public interest. Maine Smart Meter Safety Coalition will present information to residents about reasons they may want to opt out.
  - h. Letter from County Commissioners regarding land for County dispatch
    - Town Manager will take this item up under discussion items.
  - i. Letter from Senator Rosen regarding Healthy Maine Partnership
    - Town Manager reported that Senator Rosen was not successful with the appeal panel for Healthy Maine Partnership, and encourages council members to contact Senator Rosen in support.
  - j. MMA Elected Officials Workshop
    - MMA is presenting an elected Officials Workshop on Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at MMA Conference Center. Any Councilor interested in attending, let Town Manager know.
  - k. Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities coalition Improvement Plan
    - Copies of the coalitions Community Health Improvement Plan is available at the Healthy Communities office at the Jewett School Community Center.
  - l. Bangor Gas litigation briefs
    - Town Manager noted that if any council member would like a copy, of the Bangor Gas briefs, they would need to sign an agreement of confidentiality before receiving a copy.
  - m. Department Head Monthly Reports for June 2011
    - Council Members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads
  - n. Downeast Center Ring Circus Band
    - Town Manager acknowledged receiving letter from Don Blodgett representing Downeast Center Ring Circus Band
5. Consider introducing ordinance titled "Amendment to Appendix A Council-Manager Charter of the Town of Bucksport"

Town Manager reported the purpose of "Amendment to Appendix A Council Manager Charter of the Town of Bucksport" is to amend the language in the Town Charter pertaining to when the Town Manager needs to submit the

annual budget to the Town Council, when the Town Council must approve the annual budget, and deleting language that pertains to the change of the town's fiscal year in 1987.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to introduce "Amendment to Appendix A Council Manager Charter of the Town of Bucksport".

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-1 authorizing transfers and expenditures to various reserves and operating accounts for yearend purposes

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-1.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-2 authorizing write-offs for the Ambulance Service

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-2.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-3 regarding expenditure for Paper Talk Magazine

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-3.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson  
Opposed: Byron Vinton, Brian Leeman, Robert Howard  
Vote: 4 – 3 Favorable

9. Hear report from Road and Street Committee regarding Route 46

Robert Howard, Chairperson of the Road and Street Committee reported that MDOT has offered the Town of Bucksport the opportunity to partner with them and request funds from MDOT's Municipal Partnership Initiative. The Town of Bucksport would be responsible for 50% of the improvements. The committee is recommending that the Town Manager be allowed to submit an application to the Maine Department of Transportation for funds in the amount of \$500,000 from the MDOT Municipal Partnership Initiative to complete realignment improvements to sections of Route 46. Once approved by the State MDOT, than the Town Council would pursue the Town's share. The town would need citizen's approval at a local election because the dollar amount exceeds \$250,000 of local funds.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-4 authorizing request for funds from MDOT for improvements along Route 46

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-4.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-5 regarding Bangor Gas Company's offer to extend natural gas into the compact area

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-5.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-6 referring appointment (Town Manager) to the Appointment Committee

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-6.

Appointments Committee meeting on Monday, July 18 at 6:30 P.M. Town Council Chamber, Town Office.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-7 referring matter pertaining to ambulance staffing to the Finance Committee

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-7.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-8 authorizing expenditure from the Highway Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by David Kee and seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-8.

Voted In favor: Michael Ormsby and Jeffrey Robin

Opposed: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Brian Leeman, Robert Howard

Vote: 2 - 5 Failed

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-8 with the exception of the 1-ton Dodge 5500 (diesel) Truck.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-9 authorizing expenditure from the Animal Reserve Account

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-9.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-10 authorizing purchase from Office Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-10.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-11 authorizing expenditure from Highway Improvement Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-11.

18. Issue license or permits, if any

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for George MacLeod, d/b/a MacLeod's Restaurant.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous license for Paul & Betty Bires, f/b/o Highway Legends/Car Show.

Hold public hearing on renewal application of Jin Ming Chen, d/b/a Ming's Garden for a fulltime Liquor License.

No public comments.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Jin Ming Chen, d/b/a Ming's Garden for a renewal of fulltime Liquor License.

19. Hear report from Town Manager

Highway Improvements- Town Manager has completed negotiations with Darrold Mitchell for the realignment project proposed for a section of the Church Road. I hope to have the surveyor complete the deed description within the next two weeks so that the agreement can be signed and we can begin with the project. I also met with other property owners adjacent to the project and received good support for the project. The highway crew will be starting on Silver Lake Road next week and on Bridge Street by the first week of August. I do not believe they will be starting on the Church Road until mid September.

Jed Prouty- I have a meeting on July 19 with a potential developer who has an interest to purchase the Jed Prouty and develop the building into assisted

living units. He is meeting with me to discuss potential support from the Town should he pursue the project. I will keep you posted.

Silver Lake Boat Landing- The Town has received all required state permits. Millett Associates will be submitting an application to the Bucksport Planning Board by next week. This will complete all of the necessary permits required. It is still my plan to start this project in December.

Wilson Hall- Attached is an email from our attorney regarding the status of the town's efforts to cure the title for Wilson Hall. We are almost there.

Nason Property- The Town now owns the property. I will be contacting in the next few weeks certified firms to complete an asbestos study. I should have the results by the end of August.

Miles Lane Trail- The highway crew will be working for the next few days on the trail extension. The plan is to get it completed before school starts this fall.

20. Discussion items

Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 6:30 P.M.  
Town Office.

All Council members signed quarterly Sewer Commitment.

Town Manager reported that Hancock County Commissioners office is inquiring if the Town of Bucksport has property available and willing to donate it for housing the Hancock County Regional Communications Center and Emergency Management Agency.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to offer town property to Hancock County Commissioners Office to be used for Hancock County Regional Communications Center and Emergency Management Agency.

Councilor David Kee inquired about the flush in the women's bathroom. Town Manager reported that he is in the process of having an automatic flush installed in the ladies bathroom.

21. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and  
unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard. Member Absent: Michael Ormsby.
3. Consider Resolve #R-2012-12 regarding purchase of a one ton truck

Duane Nadeau, Public Works Director assured councilor members that the one-ton dodge (diesel) truck does not have front-end problems. Duane has spoken with local mechanics, along with a mechanic at Whited Ford and they were aware sometime ago those smaller Dodge vehicles such as Durango and Dakota trucks were having front-end problems, but not the one-ton. Duane also indicated that the plan is not to trade the existing one-ton truck, but plan on keeping this truck as a spare.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-12.

4. Discuss and set procedures for the selection of a new Town Manager

Town Manager addressed the council with options and the possibility of hiring a consultant to help with the process of hiring a new Town Manager. Both Maine Municipal Associations and Eaton & Peabody Consulting Group, LLC are consultants. Eaton & Peabody offered their services at a cost of \$4,500. They would provide advertisements, receive all applications/resumes, review all applications and select the top applicant that meets the Town Council goals and forward them to the Town Council. The council could receive all applications/resumes if they choose too. However, once the applicants are narrowed to the two top candidates, Eaton & Peabody would provide a background check.

Town Council members were all in agreement to seek professional help in the hiring of a new Town Manager and requested a meeting with the firm of Eaton & Peabody Consulting Group, LLC.

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton to authorize Town Manager to contact Eaton & Peabody Consulting Group, LLC to set up a meeting with the Town Council to discuss the options of seeking professional help in hiring a new Town Manager.

Town Council Members noted many goals for a new Town Manager such as; knowledge and experience with budgetary and financials, grant writing and implementation, human resources, labor relations, economic development, TIF knowledge, policy and project management, good organizational skills, leadership, written and oral communication skills, strong technology skills, honesty, integrity, tenure, problem solving, good working relations with businesses/industry, along with open door policy with employees, town council members and citizens, and live in Bucksport.

5. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., MONDAY, JULY 25, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson and Brian Leeman. Member Absent: Robert Howard.
3. Meet with consultant to discuss proposal to offer services to assist with the selection of a new town manager

Don Gerrish of Eaton & Peabody Consulting Group, LLC introduced himself indicating 37 years experience in Municipal Government in the State of Maine and recently retired as Town Manager of Brunswick after 19 years of service. He successfully assisted the Towns of Wiscasset, Greenville, Corinth, Orono, Arundel and Bowdoinham with their manager searches and is currently assisting the Town of Poland with their manager search. While assisting Wiscasset and Bowdoinham he was also interim Town Manager, as he currently is in Poland.

Don reviewed placing advertisements on the MMA, ICMA and Maine Jobs websites, but did not recommend placing advertisements in the larger newspaper, such as Bangor Daily, Portland Herald Press and Sunday Journal. However, two towns have placed advertisement in their own town newspaper. Also, Don recommended all council members attend all meetings and be involved in the process as it is very critical.

Council Members asked several questions such as:

Jeff Robinson asked if other towns made it a requirement that the new town manager live in their town.

Don noted that it was not always a requirement.

Byron Vinton asked if he saw repeat of applicants applying to various towns. Don said yes, but a lot of times it is location that makes a difference.

Bucksport is a great location.

David Keene asked if \$4,500 is the base cost, and what other cost would be associated.

Don said \$4,500 is the base cost and approximately additional \$500 for direct expenses.

All council members were in agreement to seek professional assistance and feel Don Gerrish of Eaton & Peabody would be a great benefit.

4. Consider Resolve #R-2012-13 awarding contract for services to assist with the selection of a new town manager

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-13.

5. Set goals and qualifications for new town manager

Council members and Don Gerrish of Eaton & Peabody reviewed the advertisement and the list of goals set by the Council. Don reviewed the advertisement, made suggestions and will email the final draft to all council members for approval before posting.

Also, Don Gerrish and Council members set a schedule for the application process and Don will email the schedule to the Council members.

6. Discussion items

No discussion items

7. Adjournment

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of July 14<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive correspondent and documents
  - a. Information regarding Smart Meters
    - Town Manager distributed copies of additional information about Smart Meters news to council members.
  - b. MMA Annual Elections
    - Town Manager recommended taking this item up under discussion items.
  - c. Letter from Mark and Rosemary Bamford regarding property along Long Pond
    - Town Manager acknowledged letter from Mark and Rosemary Bamford and will put this item on the next Town Council meeting agenda.
  - d. Information regarding the HoltraChem site in Orrington
    - Town Manager met with representatives of Mallinckrodt US LLC to hear about the work being done at the HoltraChem plant in Orrington. Town Manager shared copies of the letter and newsletter from Mallinckrodt LLC with town council members.
  - e. Newsletter from Time Warner Cable
    - Town Manager shared copies of the newsletter from Time Warner Cable with town council members.
5. Resolve #R-2012-14 regarding acceptance of land to extend Powerline Drive

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-14.

6. Consider Resolve #R2012-15 authorizing expenditures to be charged to the Recreation Facility Reserve Account

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-15.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-16 authorizing expenditure to be charged to the Highway Improvement Reserve

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-16.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-17 accepting 2011 High Visibility Impaired Driving Enforcement Project Grant from Department of Public Safety

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve \$R-2012-17.

9. Identify town council goals for the period 8-1-2011 to 6-30-2012

Town Manager reviewed the list of goals set by the Town Council for the last fiscal year to determine the Council's progress. Town Manager asked that the members of the Town Council review the list to determine which goals that have not been completed will be carried forward and what new goals will be added.

10. Hear report from Finance Director regarding financial status for the period ending 6-30-2011

Finance Director, Debbie Fitzpatrick reviewed in detail Revenues, Expenditures and Balance Sheet noting the town is in good standing with a 7.9 million in surplus.

11. Hear report from Town Manager

SHIP Grant- The new paint on the five fender piles is peeling in some areas. An inspection was conducted on July 20 by the town's engineer, representative from the paint company and contractor. It was determined that the paint is peeling due to inappropriate preparation techniques. The contractor has agreed to return to the site and to correct the problem.

Miles Lane Trail- The Highway Department has completed the base on ½ mile of the new trail extension. It will take an additional two days of work by the Highway crew to finish the base and drainage. The crusher dust will not be applied until later this fall.

Townsite Drainage- The contractor will be completing the additional drainage work that was authorized by the town behind two of the homes located on the lower end of

Thomas Street. They had to return due to the poor quality of the final ground work and the system's failure to collect the storm water run-off. They should have the entire project completed by early next week.

Animal Shelter- Work has progressed slowly with this project since more problems were uncovered during construction. As of the date of this report the hot water heater, sink and water pump have been installed. All of the animal stalls have been reconstructed and the interior walls refinished and painted or covered with a waterproof product. The building has been hooked up to the new nearby sewer system. The Town crew will be returning to extend the leachfield in compliance with the plumbing code. In addition, windows have been installed to provide ventilation and bring natural light into the building. A new electrical service has been installed and an isolation pen constructed. All of the building deficiencies identified by the committee have been addressed.

Transfer Station-The contractor will be retuning next week to complete pouring the new floor in the truck-loading bay. This will complete the contract.

Road Program- All of the scheduled surface pavement has been applied and came in \$8,000 below estimates. The crew has started with the project on Bridge Street and Russell Hill Road. They expect to have both of these project completed by the third week in August.

Union Negotiations- The Highway Department has ratified the Negotiation Committee's tentative offer while the Fire and Police Departments want to continue to discuss their proposals with the committee. The committee will be meeting on August 4. Once the union has ratified the offers will be returned to the town council for ratification.

Bangor Gas- I have made contact with Bangor Gas to see if they could meet with the Finance Committee to discuss their offer. We played telephone tag on two occasions and since then my calls have not been returned. I will keep trying.

Assessor Position- Carol has informed me she will not continue as assessor after December 31, 2011. I will begin to advertise for a replacement next week.

12. Discussion items

Don Gerrish of Eaton & Peabody Consulting Group, LLC emailed Council members a copy of the advertisement and time schedule.

Members of the council were asked to comment. It was agreed that the Town Manager will be required to live in Bucksport and the Ad should note such. Members did agree that a transitional period would be considered. It was also agreed the notice should state that an applicant "should have a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree is preferred". Members agreed the Ad should start running on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and not the 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Town Council members nominated Jeff Robinson to cast a ballot for MMA Annual Election voting for Vice President and Executive Committee Members.

Finance Committee Meeting on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Office with Bangor Gas and Mark & Rosemary Bamford.

13. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard. Member Absent: David Kee.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of July 28, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  1. Treasurer's Warrants July 2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending July 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  2. Financials for the period ending 7-31-2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the financial reports for the period ending July 31, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  3. Department Head Monthly Reports for July 2011  
-Council Members received copies of departmental reports, with the exception of one, and as soon as they return from vacation will put a copy of their report in the council members' mailboxes. Any questions or concerns with the reports, contact the Town Manager or Department Head.
5. Consider introducing ordinance entitled "Transfer of Property to Darrold and Barbara Mitchell"

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to introduce ordinance entitled "Transfer of Property to Darrold and Barbara Mitchell".

6. Consider Resolve R-2012-18 referring proposals for engineering services to the Sewer Committee for a recommendation

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-18.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-19 authorizing expenditure from Ambulance Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-19.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-20 setting town council goals for the fiscal year 2012

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-20 until next town council meeting.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-21 approving health insurance core plan and employee participation

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and approved Resolve #R-2012-21.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Brian Leeman.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Voted: 5 - 1 Favorable

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-22 establishing a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) for employee use

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-22.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-23 authorizing contract for road side mowing

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-23.

12. Consider issuing permits or licenses, if any

No licenses or permits to be considered.

13. Hear Town Manager's Report

**Assessor Position-** I have advertised the position and will be accepting applications until August 31. Once I have reviewed all applications I will meet with the Appointments Committee to set times for interviews.

**Interceptor Sewer-** The interceptor sewer from the town dock to Peary's landing has been televised and cleaned. There were no structural deficiencies identified but there was a substantial volume of sand accumulated in the area from Ken Foster's Office to the Jed Prouty. The company had to make a second visit in order to clean the debris from the pipe.

**Bangor Gas-** The Finance Committee will be meeting with Bangor Gas on Wednesday, August 16 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the details of their proposal.

**Mineral Extraction Ordinance-** The members of the Ordinance Committee have scheduled a public hearing on the proposed Mineral Extraction Ordinance for Wednesday, August 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Office to receive comments from interested citizens and developers.

**Silver Lake Boat Landing Improvements-** The Planning Board approved the Land Use Permit for the proposed improvements at the Silver Lake Boat Landing at their August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Mike Millett is finalizing discussions with Department of Conservation since they will be providing some of the funding for the project.

**Townsite Drainage Project-** This project has finally been completed. This includes a new drain installed along the backyard of several properties located along Thomas Street. This improvement will really benefit these several property owners. The project budget will be exceeded by approximately \$4,000. I plan to charge the overage to Highway Improvement Reserve Account.

**Silver Lake Properties Forest Management Plan-** Jake Maier is continuing to work on completing a forest management plan for both Silver Lake properties that are owned by the Town. The members of the Conservation Committee met recently to discuss goals for the properties that will be included as part of the plan. A meeting of the committee will be held at the properties on Saturday, August 27 at which time members will be discussing the goals in greater detail. The plan should be completed by the end of November 2011.

14. Consider going into executive session to discuss two items
  - a. matter pertaining to labor negotiations-Title 1 Section 405 6D
  - b. matter pertaining to purchase of property for economic development purpose-Title 1 Section 405-6C

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 7:35 P.M.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to adjourn from executive session at 8:50 P.M.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-24 regarding ratification of employment contracts for the Highway, Fire and Police Departments

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-24.

16. Discussion items

Byron Vinton distributed copies to council members information that MMA's Legislative Policy Committee received from Kate Dufour regarding the survey of the LPC's position on the People's Veto of same day voter registration repeal.

Councilor Jeff Robinson had a tour of the newly refurbished animal shelter and commented on what a great job done.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

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3. Consider minutes of the previous meeting  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of August 11, 2011 as presented.
4. Receive and review correspondence, if any
  - a. Letter from the Bucksport Chamber of Commerce  
-Town Council members were provided with a copy of a letter from the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce thanking the Town for the financial help in funding the electrical upgrade for the waterfront in time for the Bucksport Bay Festival.
  - b. Letter from Town Manager to Stephen and Nancy Scott  
-Town Council members were provided with a copy of a letter sent by the Town Manager to Stephen and Nancy Scott regarding enforcement matter.
  - c. Report from Circus Band Scholarship Program  
-Town Manager shared copies of the report from the Circus Band Scholarship Program indicating names of scholarship recipients.
  - d. Pine Tree Engineering Plans for Trails  
-Town Manager briefly noted Pine Tree Engineering had completed the Master Plan for intown trails and a copy was being provided to each member for future reference.
5. Hold public hearing on ordinance entitled “Amendment to Appendix A Council-Manager Charter of Town of Bucksport”

Town Manager briefly reviewed the amendment to Appendix A noting, the purpose of amending the language in the Town Charter pertaining to when the Town Manager needs to submit the annual budget to the Town Council, when the Town Council must approve the annual budget, and deleting language that pertains to the change of the town’s fiscal year in 1987.

6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve "Amendment to Appendix A Council Manager Charter of Town of Bucksport", and because it is a charter change, it will be necessary to go to referendum on November 8, 2011 for the citizen's vote.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-20 setting goals for the Town Council for the 2012 fiscal year

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-20.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-25 authorizing expenditure from the Recreation Facility Reserve

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-25.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-26 authorizing expenditure for improvements to the septic system at the transfer station

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-26.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-27 authorizing expenditures from the Highway Improvement Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-27.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-28 accepting deed from Joseph and Rayleen Berry for use as an extension of Powerline Drive

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-28.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-29 accepting 2011 JAG Grant for the Bucksport Police Department

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-29.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-30 approving Use Agreement with the Penobscot Bay Rod and Gun Club

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-30.

14. Consider issuing quitclaim deed for paid tax liens

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve quitclaim deed for paid tax liens to Daniel Pye.

15. Consider issuing permits or licenses, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

16. Town Manager's Report

- a. Bangor Gas Hearing

-The Bangor Gas hearing has been changed to Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., at Burton Cross Building, Room 300 in Augusta.

- b. Church Road Construction

-Darrold and Barbara Mitchell signed the deed to transfer property on the Church Road to complete the proposed realignment. The Highway Department should begin construction shortly after Labor Day with plans to complete the project by the end of September.

- c. Secondary Treatment at the Waste Water Treatment Plant

-Town Manager reported the meeting with DEP went well regarding the loss of the 301 Waiver and the need to upgrade the plant to secondary treatment. DEP will be sending a letter outlining alternatives available to comply with the loss of the 301 Waiver. The Sewer Committee will be interviewing (4) four engineering firms next week who have submitted proposals to design and upgrade the treatment plant.

- d. Tax Assessor Position

-Applications for the full-time position of Tax Assessor will be received until August 31<sup>st</sup>. Once all applications have been pre-screened by the Town Manager the Appointments Committee will be asked to meet with the top applicants. The committee should be ready to render a decision by the end of September.

- e. Mineral Extraction Ordinance

-Town Manager reported the Ordinance Committee has met several times reviewing and making changes to the proposed Mineral Extraction Ordinance. The committee will meet one more time to finalize the draft copy before bringing it to the Town Council for consideration.

17. Discussion items

No discussion items.

18. Adjournment

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of August 25, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  - a. Treasurer's Warrants for August 2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending August 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Expense and Revenue Reports ending 8-31-2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Expense and Revenue Reports for the period ending 8-31-2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Departmental Reports for August 2011  
-Council Members received copies of Departmental Reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
  - d. Letter from MDEP regarding implementing regulatory schedule for construction of secondary wastewater treatment facility  
-Council Members were provided with a copy of letter from MDEP of options for implementing regulatory schedule for construction of secondary wastewater treatment facility.
  - e. Draft Policy and Procedures regarding operation of Animal Shelter  
-Council Members were provided with a draft copy of the rules and regulations as to the operation of the Animal Shelter and will be reviewed at the next town council meeting.
  - f. Draft copy of the proposed Mineral Extraction Ordinance

-Council Members did not receive a copy of the proposed Mineral Extraction Ordinance as the Ordinance Committee met earlier and suggested changes to the proposed Mineral Extraction Ordinance.

g. Healthy Maine Partnership Program

-Council Members received copy of a letter from Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition, and will put this on the next town council meeting agenda for discussion.

h. 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 911

-A ceremony is being held in honor of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 911 on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at Noon at Flag Point with Pastor Peter Remick, David Weeda on the Bagpipe and Senator Richard Rosen. All are welcome.

5. Hold public hearing on ordinance titled "Chapter 11, of the Bucksport Town Code Section 11-145 Conveyance of Property to Darrold and Barbara Mitchell"

No public comments.

6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve ordinance titled "Chapter 11, of the Bucksport Town Code Section 11-145 Conveyance of Property to Darrold and Barbara Mitchell".

7. Consider introducing ordinance titled: "Amendment to Chapter 2, Administration, Article 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations"

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve introducing ordinance titled, "Amendment to Chapter 2, Administration, Article 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations".

8. Consider introducing ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 12, Traffic and Safety, Article 5 Parking Regulations"

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve introducing ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 12, Traffic and Safety, Article 5 Parking Regulations".

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-31 authorizing expenditure for a new police cruiser from the Police Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-31.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-32 authorizing expenditure from the Pool Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-32.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-33 setting fees for the Animal Shelter

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Brian Leeman and voted to table Resolve #R-2012-33.

Vote In Favor: David Kee, Brian Leeman

Opposed: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Robert Howard

Vote: Failed 2 - 5

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to amend Resolve #R-2012-33 by changing the fee for Bucksport residents back to \$7.00/cats and \$10.00/Dogs, and keep the remainder of the Resolve #R-2012-33 as presented.

12. Consider issuing licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

13. Hear report from Town Manager

**Bangor Gas's Extension of Natural Gas Into the Compact Area**

Dave Milan, Byron Vinton, Mike Ormsby and Town Manager met with representatives from the Maine Public Advocacy's Office on September 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss Bangor Gas's conditions of offer to extend natural gas to certain portions of the compact area. The agency was quite helpful identifying Bangor Gas's obligations and the town's options. Town Manager will be meeting with the Finance Committee prior to the next town council meeting to discuss their final recommendation to the Town Council including a copy of the Letter of Intent to be filed with Bangor Gas.

**Bucksport Wastewater Facility**

Town Manager provided Council Members with a copy of the letter received from Maine Department of Environmental Protection outlining the options for implementing regulatory schedule for construction of secondary wastewater treatment facility in lieu of the town loss of its 301h Waiver. Town Manager will be sharing a copy of the letter with the Town's attorney for legal advice and discussing the matter in greater detail with the members of the sewer committee for their final recommendation for the council. Town Manager

expects to present the committee's recommendation at the next council meeting. The members of the committee have also been busy interviewing firms that have an interest to provide engineering services to design the upgrade at the treatment plant. The committee interviewed four firms and has made their selection. References will be checked out by both Dave Michaud and myself. Assuming the references are good, the committee will be rendering their recommendation at the next town council meeting.

**Wilson Hall**

The Town's attorney reported this week that she is still waiting for the Judge or Clerk to sign the Summary Judgment. She hopes to receive it within the next few weeks.

**Assessor's Position**

Ten applications were received for the position. Town Manager have reviewed all of the applications and scheduled interviews during the week of September 12<sup>th</sup>. Once Town Manager has completed his review, he will ask the members of the Appointments Committee to hold interviews with the top three candidates. We should have a recommendation for the Town Council by the last town council meeting in September or the first meeting in October.

**Mineral Extraction Ordinance**

Town Manager is hopeful the Ordinance Committee will have their recommendation for the Town Council for the next town council meeting or the first meeting in October. The committee has responded to the comments received at a public hearing held to receive comments from interested citizens.

**Miles Lane Walking Trail**

The Highway Department has finished applying the surface to the Miles Lane Trail extension, which is .6 mile. Many favorable comments regarding the project have been received.

14. Consider going into executive session to discuss a matter pursuant to MRSA Title 1 Section 405 Subsection C

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 7:48 P.M.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to adjourn from executive session at 8:35 P.M.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-34 regarding the Jed Prouty

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-34.

16. Discussion items

Appointments Committee meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 4:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Sewer Committee meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Finance Committee meeting on Monday, September 26, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce has invited the Town Council to attend a breakfast, tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 7:30 A.M. at Franklin Street Methodist Church.

Jeff Robinson reported taking a tour with the Facility and Grounds Committee of all the summer projects done by the RSU 25 maintenance department. Jeff commented on a great job done, and encouraged fellow councilors to stop in to see all the work they have accomplished this summer.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of September 8, 2011.

4. Receive and review correspondents or documents
  - a. Letter from MMA regarding Workers Compensation Fund and Property & Casualty Pool  
-Council Members were provided with a copy of a letter from MMA advising the Town of Bucksport of the dividend earned from the Workers Compensation Fund and Property & Casualty Pool.
  - b. Letter from DECD regarding the 2011 Communities for Maine's Future  
-Town Manager received notification from Department of Economic and Community Development that the Town of Bucksport was not selected to receive the 2011 Communities for Maine's Future (CFMF) grant program.
  - c. Letter from MRC regarding nominations to the MRC Board of Directors  
-Council Members were provided with a copy of a letter and candidate nomination form from MRC regarding nominations to the MRC Board of Directors.
  - d. Letter from MMA regarding voting credentials for annual meeting  
-Council Members were provided with a copy of the MMA annual business meeting agenda and nomination ballot to designate an official voting delegate, plus alternate voting delegate for the annual meeting.
  - e. Financial regarding the Senior Meal Program  
-Council Members received a copy of the financial report for the past five months on the Senior Meal Program and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to Town Manager.
5. Hold public hearing for the proposed ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 2 Administration Article 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations"

Town Manager briefly reviewed the amendments to Chapter 2 Administration Article 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations noting such ordinance being for the purpose of updating the town's statement regarding discrimination and amending language to the town's Harassment Policy prohibiting retaliation against any employee who may or has filed or reported a harassment complaint and how to contact the Maine Human Rights Commission.

No public comments.

6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to adopt proposed ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 2 Administration Article 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations".

7. Hold public hearing for the proposed ordinance titled "Chapter 12, Article 5 Parking Regulations"

Town Manager briefly reviewed the proposed amendment to Chapter 12, Article 5 Parking Regulations for the purpose of prohibiting parking along a section of Bridge Street beginning at the intersection of Broadway and extending to the property now owned by Joseph and Carol Sheehan at Map 30 Lot 43.

No public comments.

8. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to adopt proposed ordinance titled "Chapter 12, Article 5 Parking Regulations".

9. Hold public hearing to receive comments from interested citizens whether or not the Town should assist financially with the rehabilitation of the Jed Prouty Building

Mary Jane Bush, Health Planning Director for Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities spoke in favor of the rehabilitation of the Jed Prouty Building. Mary Jane indicated the healthy comprehensive plan shows the need in Bucksport for assistant living facility along with nursing home care. The following citizens spoke in favor of the rehabilitation of the Jed Prouty Building into assistant living; Ruth Gomes, Sue Craig, Joyce Joynson, Valerie Sulya, JoAnn Grunwald, Ann McCann, Linda Plourde, Sue Davis and Dorothy Brouty Gray

Todd Hanson, owner of Knox View Apartments, LLC on Middle Street indicated that he has 34 adult housing apartments, has four available, and has difficult time getting adults to fill these units, receive no support from the Town, but certainly supports assistant living at Jed Prouty.

Gaylord A Wood, Jr. attended the meeting and referred to his letter noting that he did not oppose the use of assistant living at Jed Prouty; but spoke against providing tax money to any private business for profit. Citizens unable to attend the hearing but forwarded letters with comments; letter from Frederick Smith and Brenda Keirn of concerns with assistant living at Jed Prouty and letter from Ruth Wardwell in favor of assistant living at Jed Prouty.

10. Close hearing and consider Resolve #R-2012-35 regarding the participation of the Town for the rehabilitation of the Jed Prouty Building

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-35.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-36 regarding funding to maintain Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition to 6-30-2012

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Robert Howard to table Resolve #R-2012-36 until next Town Council meeting.

Vote In Favor: Robert Howard

Opposed: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman

Tom Gaftney, Psychologist for twenty-nine years, Chairperson for the Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition spoke in favor of the funding needs to continue the future of the coalition. Tom reviewed in detail all the groups and organizations that benefit from this coalition, and the many grants received to help the needs in the community. The following committee members spoke in favor of the funding adding additional comments; Jim Boothby, Marcelle Marble, Jeremy Daigle, Helen Wardwell, Rev. Linda Smith and Richard Noyes.

Susan Savell spoke in favor of the funding and indicated that she spent three, three year terms working for the State of Maine government, was very involved with Ameri-Corp Vista program and spoke highly of Mary Jane Bush and her volunteers of the coalition. Mary Jane has a tremendous reputation state wide for her programs, she does great work, she is a gem, a jewel for the Town of Bucksport, and sees a bright future for Mary Jane.

Councilor Jeff Robinson spoke of his involvement of twenty-one years as a Councilor, been involved in twenty-one budgets and this was the worst budget year. The town has thirty-seven property foreclosures, just recently added ten

more, forty percent tax payers are 65 years or older, with no cost of living adjustment. Also, processed numerous sewer liens. It is a very hard time.

Councilor Byron Vinton disagrees with any mid-term funding request, agrees with Jeff that this has been an extremely difficult time with the budget, but does recognize Mary Jane Bush and her volunteers for a great job. Byron inquired about transferring the remaining funds of \$7,000 from the Sawyer grant toward the amount requested.

Councilor David Kee don't disagree with Jeff that times are tough, but does recognize the importance of Mary Jane Bush and the volunteers of the coalition.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-36.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Brian Leeman  
Opposed: Robert Howard  
Vote: 6 - 1 Favorable

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-37 regarding options related to the disposition of the EPA on Bucksport's Section 301h Waiver application

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-37.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-38 awarding contract for engineering service for the upgrade of the wastewater treatment facility to secondary treatment level

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-38.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-39 regarding the issuance of a Letter of Intent to Bangor Gas to extend natural gas into the compact area to serve the schools and properties located along the proposed route

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-39.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-40 approving agreement with Aqua Maine to operate the wastewater treatment facility

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-40.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-41 authorizing contract to complete an asbestos impact survey at 67 Main Street (Nason House)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-41.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-42 authorizing expenditure from the waterfront reserve account for a new sensor flush valve in the women's bathroom on the waterfront

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-42.

18. Consider Resolve #R-2012-43 approving privacy policy for the Bucksport website

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-43.

19. Consider issuing permits and licenses, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Dino Kisamitakis, d/b/a Bucksport House of Pizza.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, f/b/o Ghostport.

20. Discussion items

Town Manager indicated that the State Board of Assessment Review voted 4-0 in support of Carol Oliver, Town Assessor, regarding Bangor Gas assessment, and the written decision will not be available for several months.

Craig Bowden, Director of Emergency Services indicated that he was attending a meeting in Ellsworth today and was told that the Town of Castine is shutting down their ambulance service and that the Town of Bucksport would be taking over. Craig said he was not aware of this.

21. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of September 29, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review documents and correspondence
  - a. Treasurer's Warrants September  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending September, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Financial reports ending 9-30-2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Financial reports for the period ending September 30, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Department Head reports  
-Council Members received copies of Departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
  - d. Letter from Steve Norton regarding quarries  
-Town Manager reported sharing a copy of Steve Norton letter to the Town Council Members and will address this letter with the Ordinance Committee.
  - e. Proposed 2012 State Valuation  
-Council Members were provided with a copy of the proposed 2012 State Valuation and these proposed amounts determines the municipal levels of revenues sharing, county tax and educational subsidies.
  - f. Letter from MDOT regarding signal light at Hannaford's  
-Town Manager reported that MDOT survey indicated not enough traffic to justify a signal light at Hannaford's entrance.

5. Hear presentation from representative from Community College regarding a DACUM conducted for a pulp and paper training program and developed at Verso

Larry Barrett, President of Eastern Maine Community College briefly reviewed the proposed agreement for the Town of Bucksport and Eastern Maine Community College to explore the creation of an Associate in Applied Science Pulp and Paper Technology Program for the Verso Mill in Bucksport. Verso offers skilled jobs, with excellent pay and benefits. An Associate in Applied Science Pulp and Paper Technology Program specified to Verso, Bucksport could significantly increase the technical skill, effectiveness and efficiency of the mill and its employees.

Larry apologized for the time lapse. It has been a very slow start, and Verso has not talked with us, but hopeful they will next month. The goal is to start the program in September of 2012.

6. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Amendment to Appendix K Land Use Ordinance"

Jeff Robinson reviewed the proposed ordinance noting for the purpose of adding Addendum 1, which contains illustrations of the Official Zoning Maps, and for the purpose of adding Addendum 2, which contains performance standards for mineral extraction operations that are to be reviewed in lieu of the performance standards in Section 12 and 14 of Appendix K.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance titled "Amendment to Appendix K Land Use Ordinance".

7. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "2011-2012 General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A, B and C"

Town Manager indicated the purpose of the proposed ordinance is to adopt various maximum levels of General Assistance set forth in Appendices A-C for the period 10-1-2011 to 10-1-2012 as established as a matter of state law based on certain federal values.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance titled "2011-2012 General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A, B and C".

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-44 referring citizen's concern regarding improvements on the Church Road to the Road and Street Committee

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-44.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-45 authorizing expenditure from the Public Safety Building Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-45.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-46 authorizing expenditure from the School Street Fire House Reserve Account

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-46.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-47 authorizing expenditure from the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-47.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-48 authorizing expenditure from the Transfer Station Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-48.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-49 authorizing expenditure from the Highway Improvement Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-49.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-50 awarding contracts for purchase of winter sand and road salt

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-50.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-51 authorizing submittal of a Letter of Intent to the Office of Economic and Community Development for a CDBG Public Infrastructure Grant to construct a water storage tank

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-51.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-52 appointing for the position of assessor

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-52.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-53 regarding the disposition of property located along Long Pond and off Route 46

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-53.

18. Consider Resolve #R-2012-54 approving Rules and Regulations for the animal shelter

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-54.

19. Consider issuing quitclaim deed for paid taxes and sewer liens

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve issuing quitclaim deed for paid sewer liens to Robert Newman, Donald Eldridge and James and Denise Davis.

20. Sign municipal election warrant and appoint election warden

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to sign municipal election warrant and appoint Kathy Downes as election Warden.

21. Issue licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve issuing Central Maine Power Company for pole permit #45.1/anchor pole located on the Millvale Road.

22. Discussion items

Town Manager spoke of the old yellow schoolhouse on State Route 46 being a historical building, and would like to save the building as part of the town's educational heritage.

Peter Fairbanks, spokesperson for the old yellow schoolhouse noted significant repairs are needed and with the declining membership, they are only able to keep up with the everyday expenses. Last year applied for a historic grant, but because it was located outside the area of Town, the grant was denied. It would be a shame for this historic building to fall down, and

we are asking for assistance. We don't need to own the building, but need to preserve it.

Town Manager indicated that the town could make the same arrangement with the group as the Town did with the Bucksport Historical Society. While the club would continue to use and spend money to maintain the property, the town would take on long-range maintenance issues and provide for other services.

Councilor Michael Ormsby asked what needed to be done?

Peter Fairbanks indicated the biggest project would be to move the building, put crush rock with stone foundation and put the building back on the foundation, and the roof needs to be shingled.

Town Manager reported that Lewis and Malm, Architecture inspected the structure and indicated that repair work needs to be done soon. There are historic grants and Town Manager would help the club to seek funding.

All council members were in agreement to pursue, and Town Manager will place this on the next town council meeting agenda.

Street and Road Committee meeting on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 5:30 P.M. at the Town Office

Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Office.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take-up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-55 authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Maine State Planning Office for a grant pursuant to the Maine Coastal Program Right of Way Discovery.

Deborah Fitzpatrick, Finance Director and Chris Grindle gave an overall presentation on the new Town's website.

23. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Robert Howard. Member Absent: Brian Leeman.
3. Consider minutes of the previous meeting

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of October 13, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence
  - a. Tax Growth Study for various communities
    - Property tax calculator is based on the 1999 and 2008 MVR (Municipal Valuation Return) produced by the Maine Revenue Service. The MVR is based on Property Tax Commitments that differs slightly from Property Tax Collections. See attached Property Tax Calculator Methodology.
  - b. Letter to DEP regarding the Town's discharge license
    - Oliver Associates, Inc., Environmental Engineers have reviewed the preliminary draft Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0100111. This permit includes requirements for the Town to comply with secondary treatment plant effluent standards since the previously issued Section 301 (h) waiver allowing primary treatment being revoked by EPA. The permit is acceptable to the Town; however, there are a few key issues that need to be resolved prior to it being finalized. In addition, there are several editorial comments that need to be addressed to improve the clarity of the permit.
  - c. Silver Lake Forest Management Plan.
    - Town Manager indicated that Joachim "Jake" Maier has finished the draft copy of the Silver Lake Forest Management Plan. It consists of 91 pages; the Town Manager has a copy of the plan in his office if any councilor would like to review it.
  - d. Bangor Gas Company's proposed project of natural gas pipeline and pressure regulator station
    - Town Manager presented a copy of his letter forwarded to Bangor Gas outlining the conditions that are understood by the Town for Bangor Gas

to extend natural gas to the Bucksport Public Safety Building and RSU #25 schools.

5. Hold public hearing on ordinance titled "Amendment to Appendix M General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A, B and C for 2011-2012"

Town Manager reviewed the ordinance noting the purpose of the proposed ordinance is to adopt various maximum levels of General Assistance set forth in Appendices A-C for the period 10-1-2011 to 10-1-2012 as established as a matter of state law based on certain federal values.

No public comment.

6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve ordinance titled "Amendment to Appendix M General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A, B and C for 2011-2012".

7. Consider introducing ordinance titled "Transfer by lease interest in property referred to as the Yellow School House to the Duck Cove Community Club"

Town Manager reviewed the ordinance and noted the purpose of the ordinance is to authorize the Bucksport Town Council to convey by lease to Duck Cove Community Club the use of the Yellow School House property, with conditions, once the property is deeded to the Town.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to introduce ordinance titled "Transfer by lease interest in property referred to as the Yellow School House to the Duck Cove Community Club" and hold public hearing at the next regular Town Council meeting on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

8. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Conveyance of a portion of Map 52, Lot 13 to Robert Downes"

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance titled "Conveyance of a portion of Map 52, lot 13 to Robert Downes at the next regular Town Council meeting on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

9. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Conveyance of a portion of Map 52, Lot 13 and all of Lot 28 to Marc and Rosemary Bamford"

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance titled "Conveyance of a portion of Map 52, Lot 13 and all of Lot 28 to Marc and Rosemary Bamford.

10. Consider introducing ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations of the Bucksport Town Code"

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations of the Bucksport Town Code".

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-56 authorizing contract for engineering services to complete design for improvements to the west end of the waterfront walkway

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-56.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-57 authorizing Request for Proposal for disposition of Wilson Hall

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-57.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-58 referring Fireworks Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-58.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-59 authorizing expenditure from the Town Garage Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-59.

15. Review and act on matters pertaining to tax acquired properties

Town Manager briefly reviewed tax acquired property in the town site at 1 Thomas Street and property owner has indicated that she plans to list the property for sale, and then settle with the town when the property has been sold. However, she promised in the past to list the property with a local real estate agent, but to date this has not happened. She has indicated that she would like a six months extension before making payment arrangements. Town Councilors recommend that the Town Manager contact the property owner and have her attend the next Town Council meeting to give an up date on plans for this property.

16. Issue licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

17. Hear report from Town Manager

**Town Dock-** Pine Tree Engineering has continued their effort to have the contractor return to address the painting deficiencies with the four pylons. It seems that the contractor is pointing the finger at the paint company and the paint company at the contractor. If the matter is not resolved within the next few weeks, I will have Pine Tree Engineering file a claim with the bonding company.

**Leaf Pickup Day-** The Highway Department will be picking bagged leaves within the compact area on Monday, November 14 beginning at 7:00 a.m. A public notice has been filed with the local paper.

**Repaving Sidewalks-** The contractor has two days left to complete paving the sidewalks that were approved by the Town Council at the last town council meeting. It looks like the tonnage will be exceeded by 20 to 25 tons due to the poor condition of the walks. Unless I hear differently this evening, I will allow the Highway Department to proceed with the full list and ask the Town Council to approve the additional funds from the Highway Improvement Reserve Account.

**Road and Street Projects-** After next week, all road and street projects proposed for the 2011 construction season will have been completed except for the project planned for the intersection of Mast Hill Road and Route 46. I do not expect to see this project completed until improvements are made to Route 46 in 2013. The Commissioner for MDOT stopped in the office today to confirm that the Town's request for \$500,000 to complete improvements on Route 46 has been approved by the Department. The contract should be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

**Treatment Plant Improvements and Licensing-** I have provided you this evening with a draft copy of the proposed treatment discharge license. The proposed draft includes a number of significant changes that were submitted by Dave Michaud, Superintendent for the treatment plant, Olver Associates and I. The most significant changes proposed by the Town include:

1. Eliminate the need to expend funds to reduce ground water entering the system since Bucksport has met all requirements of its CSO Master Plan
2. Keep CSO # 13 as an emergency outflow
3. Add language which states for the record that DEP is issuing a secondary license for what remains a primary plant as a result of the 301(h) waiver

- revocation and it is understood that compliance with the secondary permit will require a secondary upgrade of the present plant subject to terms and conditions negotiated between the Town and DEP
4. A Grade III certificate will not be required for operators until the secondary treatment plant is constructed.
  5. Extend the date to submit an updated CSO Master Plan to December 31, 2013
  6. Modify the monitoring requirement for CSO #13
  7. Include language from the correspondence to Bucksport from DEP in the license

The engineering contract was also signed with Oliver Associates. They are beginning the process of identifying the different types of treatment available and implementing the training program for operators.

**Meeting with Verso Bucksport-** I have set up a meeting with Verso representatives to discuss economic development issues pertaining to the mill. The meeting will be held in executive session on November 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office. This will require the Finance Committee to reschedule its meeting to discuss staffing issues for the Ambulance Service.

**Nason House-** The asbestos study for the Nason House has been completed. Request for Proposals from qualified firms have been sent out to remove the identified asbestos. The results of the Request for Proposals will be brought to the Town Council to act on at the November 10<sup>th</sup> town council meeting.

**Silver Lake Forest Management Plan-** The members of the Conservation Committee have received a draft copy of the Forest Management Plan which was prepared for the Silver Lake properties and owned by the Town. The committee will be meeting on November 1 at 6:30 p.m. to issue their comments. If any member of the Town Council wants to attend, you are welcome to.

**Aqua Maine CDBG Application-** Rick Knowlton and I met with a representative at the Office of Community Development to discuss the Town's application for a \$500,000 Public Infrastructure Grant to help finance the construction of a new standpipe to replace the unit located off McDonald Street. It was confirmed that the Town can apply for these funds as long as the Town can provide sufficient proof that the facility will serve the public and the water company will not benefit financially from the grant. We discussed several alternatives how that can be accomplished and I see no problems resolving that issue. The Planning Commission has been extended a contract to complete the income survey. During the next week I will be putting together the Citizens Participation Plan.

**Jed Prouty Building** - The Town continues to work with the Chambers to redevelop the Jed Prouty into 16 units of assisted living. I believe if everything works as we plan, Mr. Chambers should be able to meet the standard set by the Town Council for assistance from the Town to redevelop the Jed Prouty. I am confident the town council will be voting on the issue no later than the next town council meeting.

**Bangor Gas**- The final Letter of Interest was delivered to Bangor Gas this past Monday. Bangor Gas informed the Town they will begin to do a door-to-door study along the proposed route in December to determine interest and will be working with the Town to identify the final location for the pipeline extending to the school properties and downtown. The Town was also informed by the General Manager for the Bangor Office; he was including a request to his board to fund the Bucksport extension as part of his 2012 construction budget.

18. Discussion items

Ordinance Committee meeting on Monday, December 19, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Office.

Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Town Manager indicated that residents near the intersection of Wight's Lane and Church Road are concerned with the entrance being too narrow. Road and Street Committee recommended waiting until next spring before making any changes.

Randy Robinson, resident on Wight's Lane indicated safety issues with the way it is and would like to see the realignment done by adding more width to the entrance now and not wait until spring.

Town Manager indicated that if the council chose to realign the entrance, then they should have the engineer redesign it in order to minimize any liability on their part.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to request that the engineer redesign the entrance to the intersection of Wight's Lane and Church Road and forward his recommendations to the Town Council for their consideration.

19. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and  
unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Bucksport Town Clerk

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
5:30 P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011  
CONFERENCE ROOM-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Call meeting to order

Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

2. Voted to enter into executive session to discuss the selection of a new Town Manager and conditions of employment pursuant to 1MRSA Section 405 (6) (A)

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted by Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Robert Howard to move into executive session at 5:43 P.M.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 6:00 P.M.

3. Voted to enter into executive session with Verso Mill Representatives, William Cohen and Michael Hawes.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 6:03 P.M.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 6:55 P.M.

4. Adjournment

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Roger Raymond  
Town Manager

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011  
COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard. Members Absent: Michael Ormsby and David Kee.
3. Vote to enter into executive session to discuss matters of economic development with Verso Paper as permitted pursuant to 1MRSA Section 405 (6) (C)

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 6:03 P.M.

4. Vote to adjourn from executive session and move to the Town Council Chamber to conduct the rest of the town council's business

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 6:55 P.M.

5. Consider minutes of the previous meeting

No minutes to be considered.

6. Receive and review correspondence:

- a. Treasurer's Warrants for October 2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending October 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
- b. Financial Reports for the period ending 10-31-2011  
-Council Members were provided with copies of the financial reports for the period ending October 31, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
- c. Department Heads Reports for October 2011  
-Council Members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
- d. Forest Management Plan

-Town Manager indicated that the Forest Management Plan has been finalized and approved by the Conservation Committee, and will need final approval by the Town Council.

- e. MRC board of Directors Election Ballot  
-Mayor David Keene was granted permission on behalf of the Town Council to cast the ballot for the election of members to MRC Board of Directors.
- f. Letter from SPO awarding grant under the Right of Way Discovery Grant Program  
-Town Manager reported that the Town of Bucksport has been selected as a recipient of \$2,500 under the Right of Way Discovery Grant Program, administered by the Maine Coastal Program.
- g. Letter from DEP regarding inspections of the closed landfill facility  
-DEP indicated that the Town continues to meet the maintenance and monitoring requirements for the closed landfill area.
- h. Wilson Hall draft copy of request for proposals  
-Town Manager distributed a draft copy of the Request for Proposals for redevelopment of Wilson Hall, and asked Town Council members for comments.
- i. Sign updated General Assistance Ordinance  
-Town Council members signed the yearly updated General Assistance Ordinance required by the State.

7. Hold public hearing on the proposed ordinances:

- a. Amendment to Appendix K Land Use  
-Such ordinance being for the purpose of adding Addendum 1, which contains illustrations of the Official Zoning Maps, and adding Addendum 2, which contains performance standards for mineral extraction operations that are to be reviewed in lieu of the performance standards in Sections 12 and 14 of Appendix K.

Donald Havel asked for further explanation on the amendment to Appendix K Land Use.

Town Manager indicated that the Ordinance Committee along with the Planning Board had developed a Mineral Extraction Ordinance setting new standards and requirements for that use.

- b. Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code Section 11-146 Conveyance of Use of the Yellow School House to Duck Cove Community Club

-Such ordinance being for the purpose of adding Addendum 1, which contains illustrations of the Official Zoning Maps, and for the purpose of adding Addendum 2, which contains performance standards for mineral extraction operations that are to be reviewed in lieu of the performance standards in Sections 12 and 14 of Appendix K.

Peter Fairbank, Treasurer/Secretary for the Yellow School House, and spokesperson for the board, gave a brief overview of the needed repairs to this historic building.

- c. Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code Section 11-147 Conveyance of Property to Robert Downes  
-Purpose of the ordinance is to authorize the Bucksport Town Council to convey to Robert Downes a portion of Map 52, Lot 13 located off Route 46 and Long Pond and acquired from Newell Willins for expired tax liens.
- d. Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code Section 11-148 Conveyance of Property to Mark and Rosemary Bamford  
-Purpose of the ordinance is to authorize the Bucksport Town Council to convey to Mark and Rosemary Bamford a portion of Map 52 Lot 13 located off Upper Long Pond Road and acquired from Newell Willins for expired tax liens and all of Map 52, Lot 20.
- e. Amendment to Chapter 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations of the Bucksport Town Code  
-Purpose of the ordinance is to amend the existing ordinance to include language that will establish rules for the use of a password, when to delete or store an email message, and to identify who will be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the policy.

8. Close hearing and act on the ordinances listed under Item 7

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to adopt "Amendment to Appendix K Land Use" ordinance.

Donald Havel asked that this item be tabled.

George Skillin asked that this amendment to the ordinance be approved.

Councilor Brian Leeman inquired about a concern noted by Robert (Bobbie) Wardwell.

Town Manager indicated that all of the changes made as a result of comments received at the public hearing previously held by the Ordinance Committee had not been changed and existing gravel pits would continue to operate in accordance with existing standards and permit conditions.

Voted In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Brian Leeman

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to adopt "Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code, Section 11-146 Conveyance of Use of The Yellow School House by Lease to Duck Cove Community Club."

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to adopt "Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code, Section 11-147 Conveyance of Property to Robert Downes."

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to adopt "Chapter 11 of the Bucksport Town Code, Section 11-148 Conveyance of Property to Mark and Rosemary Bamford."

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to adopt "Amendment to Chapter 2 Personnel Rules and Regulations of the Bucksport Town Code."

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-60 approving capital outlay for the renovation of the Jed Prouty into an assisted living facility

Town Manager reviewed in detail Resolve #R-2012-60 noting that Chambers Realty LLC, a Maine limited liability company requested that the Town of Bucksport consider providing financial support in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to assist with the rehabilitation of the Jed Prouty located at 57 Main Street, in anticipation of reestablishing the building into a 16 unit assisted living facility.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-60 approving capital outlay for the renovation of the Jed Prouty into an assisted living facility.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-61 regarding engineer's recommendation for improvements to Wights Lane

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-61.

Voted In Favor: David Keene, Jeff Robinson, Brian Leeman and Robert Howard.

Opposed: Byron Vinton

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-62 authorizing writing off on aged account receivables for the ambulance service for the period 7-1-2010 to 9-30-2010

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-62.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-63 authorizing contract for the removal of asbestos at the Nason House

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-63.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-64 authorizing contract to do minor roof repairs at Wilson Hall

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-64.

Voted In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Brian Leeman.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

14. Issue licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

15. Set date for the next town council meeting.

Next town council meeting date falls on Thanksgiving Day, and therefore need to reschedule.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to set Town Council meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 7:00 P.M., Town Council Chamber.

16. Discussion items

Councilor Brian Leeman announced he would be leaving the Town Council before his term expires due to his decision to take early severance package from Verso Paper Company. Brian expressed that he would be unable to put the time and commitment that is needed to properly serve the position and that someone else would better serve the town and the council.

Council members thanked Brian Leeman for his commitment and contribution to the council and wished him well.

Craig Bowden, Director of Emergency apologized for missing the Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, but had mandatory training that he could not miss.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011  
CONFERENCE ROOM-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Call meeting to order

Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Voted to enter into executive session to discuss the employment of a new Town Manager pursuant to 1MRSA Section 405 (6) (A)

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted by Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Robert Howard to move into executive session at 7:02 P.M.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 7:45 P.M.

3. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David Keene  
Mayor

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson, and Robert Howard. Members Absent: David Kee and Brian Leeman.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting  
  
No minutes to be considered.
4. Receive correspondence, if any
  - a. Letter from Ed Des Jardins regarding Revival of the Jed Prouty Inn  
-Town Manager received letter of “Congratulations” from Ed DesJardins along with (2) two matted prints (that Mr. Des Jardins drew about 25 years ago) of the Jed Prouty Inn for helping to preserve Bucksport’s rich historic past.
  - b. Copy of proposed Rules and Regulations as to the operation of the Bucksport Animal Shelter  
-Town Manager presented to the Town Council a copy of the proposed rules and regulations set forward as to the operation of the Bucksport Animal Shelter for review and comments. Christina Perkins, attorney at Fellows, Kee, Tymoczko & Pierson LLC and member of the Animal Shelter Committee has reviewed the rules and regulations and made suggestions to the proposal that are reflected in the final draft.
  - c. Final draft copy of Wilson Hall (RFP) request for proposals  
-Council members were provided with a final draft of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for redevelopment of Wilson Hall. Town Manager noted the proposal should include examples of relevant project experience including project description, cost, and implementation schedule.
  - d. Draft copy of Memorandum of Understanding between Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition (BBHCC) and Town of Bucksport (TOB) Fiscal Agent  
-Council members were provided with a draft copy of the “Memorandum of Understanding” that outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Town of Bucksport and Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition with respect to fiscal management of the coalition’s grants and personnel as necessary.

5. Consider Resolve #R-2012-65 approving contract for the new Town Manager  
  
It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-65 and take up under Discussion Items.
6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-66 approving expenditure from TIF revenues for Downtown Improvements  
  
It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-66.
7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-67 approving expenditure from the Cable Access Equipment Reserve Account  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-67.
8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-68 approving expenditure from the Dispatch Equipment Reserve Account  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-68.
9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-69 approving expenditure from the Public Safety Building Reserve Account  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-69.
10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-70 authorizing 80-K procedure verses Marie Wilson located at 418 Bucksmills Road  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to indefinitely postpone this matter as requested by CEO.
11. Discuss issue pertaining to a tax acquired property  
  
Citizen and owner of tax acquired property at 1 Thomas Street has come before the Town Council requesting more time to prepare her property for listing to sell. She has spoken with David Grant, real estate agent and owner of Landmark Properties and David has agreed to help her sell this property.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to extend the term of selling her property for six months June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

12. Issue permits or licenses, if any

No permits or licenses to be considered.

13. Discussion items

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 7:45 a.m. to discuss the matter pertaining to hiring a new town manager.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to adjourn from executive session at 8:28 p.m.

14. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:36 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2011**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Robert Howard. Members Absent: David Kee and Brian Leeman.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approved Town Council meeting minutes of October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as presented, and revised Town Council meeting minutes of September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence
  - a. Departmental Reports
    - Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
  - b. Financial statements for the period ending 11-30-2011
    - Council members were provided with copies of the financial statements for the period ending November 30, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Treasurer's Warrant for November 2011
    - Council members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending November 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - d. Plans for Waterfront improvements
    - Town Manager reviewed plans for waterfront improvements noting work to be done with the Enterprise Grant funds at the western end of the walkway. Plans for improvement include installation of granite benches, pavers for the sitting area, historic interpretive panels, planters, and signage.
  - e. Memo from Public Works Director regarding the Catholic Church parking area
    - Public Works Director is making a request to the Town Manager to terminate all town involvement with the Catholic Church parking lot. The

condition of the lot has made it difficult to continue the service and the public's current use of the lot is almost non-existent at this time.

- f. Loan Documents for the Jed Prouty  
-Council members received a copy of the loan agreement between the Town of Bucksport and Chambers Realty LLC. The loan closing took place on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- g. Letter from Aqua Maine, Inc., soon to be Connecticut Water Service, Inc.  
-Town Manager received notification that Aqua Maine, Inc. will soon be purchased by Connecticut Water Service, Inc and are requesting the Town transfer the lease for the Route 1 waterline to Connecticut Water Service.

- 5. Hold public hearing regarding a Contract Zone Agreement at 155 U.S. Route 1 Tax Map 28 Lot 28

Jeff Hammond, CEO indicated that Carol Metthe, owner of Bittersweet Gift Shop, is seeking town approval to relocate her business to an existing structure on U.S. Route 1 and owned by Lawrence Wahl. The lot meets the dimensional standards required for its present residential use, but lacks sufficient shore frontage for a commercial use. Because the likelihood of obtaining a variance is small, Ms. Metthe is seeking approval pursuant to the provision in the Land Use Ordinance for Contract Zoning.

Councilor Byron Vinton doesn't see any problem and stated "your only talking six (6) feet difference", and feels this should definitely be approved.

- 6. Close hearing and act on the Contract Zone Agreement

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Contract Zone Agreement between the Town of Bucksport and Lawrence Wahl (property owner).

- 7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-71 appointing a new town council member to complete the unexpired term of Brian Leeman

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to send Resolve #R-2012-71 to the Appointments Committee and bring back recommendation to the Town Council.

- 8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-72 approving the Rules and Regulations for the operation of the Bucksport Animal Shelter

Councilor Jeff Robinson spoke on behalf of the Animal Shelter Committee noting that the committee had great members, which included Dr. John Hunt,

Bucksport Veterinary Hospital and Christina Perkins, Lawyer at Fellows, Kee, Tymoczko & Pierson LLC.

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-72.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-73 authorizing Memorandum of Understanding between Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition and Town of Bucksport

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-73 until next Town Council meeting.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-74 authorizing the Fire Department to obtain bids for the purchase of a new fire truck

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-74.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-75 authorizing expenditure from the Fire Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-75.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-76 awarding bid for the purchase of large diameter hose and equipment

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-76.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-77 authorizing expenditure from Undesignated Fund Balance for scanning construction plans and town clerk records

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-77.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-78 authorizing expenditure from the Highway Improvement Reserve Account

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-78.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-79 approving final expenditure amounts for several reserve accounts

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-79 until first Town Council meeting in March 2012.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-80 authorizing application for a Enterprise Community Development Block Grant

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-80.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-81 authorizing Agreement for the MDOT Municipal Partnership Agreement

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-81.

18. Consider Resolve #R-2012-82 authorizing sale of a used speed board and trailer

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-82.

19. Grant permit and licenses, if any

Hold public hearing on George MacLeod, d/b/a MacLeod's Restaurant for renewal of a fulltime Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit

No public comment.

Close hearing and act on application.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve George MacLeod, d/b/a MacLeod's Restaurant for renewal of a fulltime Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit.

20. Consider signing release deed for Darrold and Barbara Mitchell

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve signing release deed for Darrold and Barbara Mitchell.

21. Hear report from Town Manager

Wilson Hall: Proposals have been solicited from interested developers to rehab Wilson Hall. Five individuals attended the informational meeting scheduled on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Proposals will be due at the end of January.

New Plow Truck: the plow truck that was approved in June is ready and will be picked up on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

Duck Cove Community Group: The deed and lease are currently being prepared by Christina Perkins to allow for the transfer of property to the town and for the town to lease the property back to the group. I expect that will be completed by the end of the month.

2012 Town Council Goals: See attachment

22. Discussion items

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up issuing quitclaim deeds not listed on the agenda.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve issuing quitclaim deeds to Jane Cirillo for Strickland Ridge Road, M24 L09 and Brewer Lake, M24 L07.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to issue quitclaim deed to Wayne and Jacqueline Taylor, M46, L08.

Appointments Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 4:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Byron Vinton expressed his heartfelt thanks to Town Manager, Roger Raymond and Economic Development Director David Milan for all their hard and dedicated work on the Jed Prouty.

23. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2011  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Consider Resolve #R-2012-71 appointing a town council member to complete the unexpired term of Brian Leeman.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-71 appointing Belle Ryder to fill Brian Leeman's unexpired term.

Vote In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson and Robert Howard.

Vote: Favorable 6 - 0

Town Clerk, Kathy L. Downes swore in newly elected Town Council member, Belle Ryder.

3. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.
4. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of November 10<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as presented.

Voted in Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson and Robert Howard.

Abstained: Belle Ryder

Vote: Favorable 6 - 0

5. Receive correspondents or documents
  - a. Proposed copy of a Fireworks Ordinance  
-Town Manager provided copies of the proposed Fireworks Ordinance to Council Members for their review, and asked that an Ordinance Committee meeting be scheduled to discuss it.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-83 appointing a new Assessor

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-83.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-84 authorizing expenditure from the Highway Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-84.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-85 authorizing expenditure from the Police Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-85.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-86 authorizing expenditure from the Office Equipment Reserve Account

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-86.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-87 authorizing expenditure from the Waterfront Reserve Account

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-87.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-88 authorizing Aqua Maine to transfer its lease for the waterline on Route 1 to Connecticut Water Service

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-88.

12. Discussion items

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-89 awarding contract for the demolition of the building at 67 Main Street to S.F. Eastman, LLC.

Ordinance Committee Meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. at the Town Office.

Town Manager indicated that the Audited Financial Statements as of June 30, 2011 is posted on the website. If any council member needs a hard copy they should let him know.

Town Manager reported that a developer is interested in building a nursing home in Bucksport and would like to meet with Town Council members in executive session before the next council meeting on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 PM.

David Kee reported that he would be available from January 1<sup>st</sup> through January 15<sup>th</sup> to hold interviews for the Town Manager's position, as he would be unavailable in February and March.

Byron Vinton also noted that he would be unavailable during the month of February.

13. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012  
CONFERENCE ROOM AND TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER  
BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. (Conference Room)
2. Consider adjourning to executive session to deliberate a matter pursuant to M.R.S.A. Title 1 Section 405 Subsection 6.C.

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 6:00 P.M.

3. Adjourn from executive session by 7:00 P.M. and proceed to Town Council Chamber

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to adjourn from executive session at 6:45 P.M.

4. Swear in newly elected Town Council member

Town Clerk, Kathy L. Downes swore in newly elected Town Council Member Bell Ryder.

5. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.

6. Elect a Mayor for the ensuing year

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton to nominate David Keene for Mayor for the ensuing year.

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton to cease nomination and unanimously voted to elect David Keene as Mayor for the ensuing year.

7. Receive correspondence and documents

- a. Departmental Reports

-Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.

- b. Treasurer's Warrants for December 2011

-Council members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending December 31, 2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.

- c. Financials for the period ending 12-31-2011  
-Council members were provided with copies of the financial statements for the period ending 12-31-2011 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
- d. Letter from Olver Associates, Inc. regarding plans for a new sanitary waste treatment facility  
-Town Manager noted receiving letter from Olver Associates, Inc. giving an update on the status of the work that they have been conducting over the past two months on the wastewater treatment plant secondary upgrade project.
- e. Committee minutes  
-Town Manager distributed copies of Ordinance and Finance Committee minutes and noted that these would be posted on the website.
- f. Draft lease agreement between Town of Bucksport and Duck Cove Community Club  
-Council members were provided with a draft copy of the lease agreement between the Town of Bucksport and Duck Cove Community Club.

8. Determine Town Council Committee members and appointments

Council members received a copy of the Town Council Committee members and appointments, and will take-up at the next town council meeting for council approval.

9. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 7 Fire Protection and Prevention" (fireworks)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and voted to approve introducing an ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 7 Fire Protection and Prevention" (fireworks).

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeff Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howrd.

Opposed: David Keene

Vote - Favorable 6 - 1

10 Consider Resolve #R-2012-90 approving audit for the period 7-1-2010 to 6-30-2011

Finance Director, Debbie Fitzpatrick briefly reviewed the audit and financial statements presented by RHR Smith & Company, Certified Public Accountants for the year ending June 30, 2011.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-90.

- 11 Consider Resolve #R-2012-91 authorizing Town Manager or Mayor to sign official documents approved by the Town Council

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-91.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-92 regarding procedure for signing Treasurer's Warrants

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-92.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-93 referring appointments to the Appointments Committee for committees, boards and special positions

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-93.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-94 setting rate of interest for delinquent sewer bills

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-94.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable -6 - 1

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-95 regarding deposition of tax and sewer acquired property

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby and seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-95.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-96 referring matter pertaining to Catholic Church parking lot to the Finance Committee

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-96.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-97 authorizing Natural Gas Service Agreement for the Public Safety Building

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-97.

18. Consider Resolve #R-2012-98 authorizing contract with Millett Associates to prepare schematic plans for extension of Broadway and Park Street

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-98.

19. Consider Resolve #R-2012-99 establishing Advisory Committee for construction of a new standpipe

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-99 nominating Robert Howard as member of the Town Council.

20. Consider Resolve #R-2012-100 approving agreement with The Maine Water Company

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-100.

21. Issue licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

22. Issue quitclaim deed to Gail Woodbridge for payment of tax lien

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve quitclaim deed to Gail Woodbridge for paid tax lien.

23. Hear report from Town Manager

- a. **Bangor Gas**

-Public forum with Bangor Gas Company is being held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Bucksport Middle School Auditorium for all interested citizens with regards to Bangor Gas Company's expansion plans in Bucksport for 2012.

- b. **Jed Prouty Inn**  
-The owners of Jed Prouty Inn have indicated they are in the process of obtaining proper licensing with plans to open in February.
- c. **Downtown Plans**  
-The Town of Bucksport is submitting an application with the Department of Economic Development for grant funds to be used for improvements to the facades of downtown properties.
- d. **State Route 46**  
-The Town of Bucksport will need to commit \$500,000 toward reconstruction of State Route 46. The Town Manager will draft an ordinance requiring referendum vote by the citizens of Bucksport to approve funding for State Route 46.
- e. **Wilson Hall**  
-The deadline for anyone seeking to acquire and refurbish Wilson Hall on Middle Street has been extended to February 29<sup>th</sup>.

24. Discussion items

Town Manager reported that the Nason property will be torn down next week, weather permitting.

Appointment Committee meeting on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

25. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
1:00 P.M., SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012  
CONFERENCE ROOM-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.
3. Vote to enter into Executive Session to interview candidates for the employment of a new Town Manager pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) (A)

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 1:05 P.M.

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 4:10 P.M.

4. Adjournment

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David Keene  
Mayor

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Members Absent: Michael Ormsby and David Kee.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting  
  
It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of December 29, 2011 and January 14, 2012 as presented.
4. Review and receive correspondence and documents
  - a. Letter from DECD regarding the CDBG Infrastructure Program  
-Letter from DECD informing the Town that requirements have been met, established by Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1973 as amended and the State of Maine CDBG program. Therefore, the town is eligible to submit a Public Infrastructure application for the activities outlined in the Letter of Intent.
  - b. Minutes of Appointment Committee  
-Council Members received copy of the Appointment Committee meeting minutes of January 16, 2012.
  - c. Draft copy of lease for Duck Cove Community Club  
-Council Members we provided with a draft coy of the lease agreement between The Inhabitants of The Town of Bucksport and the Duck Cove Community Club.
  - d. Report from Millett Associates regarding proposed location for a nursing home  
-Town Manager shared a copy of an email with council members from Mike Millett, Millett Associates with preliminary cost estimates for a proposed nursing home.
  - e. Letter from Michael Michaud, Member of Congress  
Town Manager shared a letter from Michael Michaud, Member of Congress reviewing updates on political matters in Washington.

5. Hear presentation by Town Manager regarding the budget year 7-1-2012 to 6-30-2013

Town Manager gave a brief overview on the 2012-2013 Budget Projections reviewing general revenues, valuation and expenses noting the biggest revenue loss is interest earnings.

6. Hear presentation by the Superintendent of School regarding the budget year 7-1-2012 to 6-30-2013

Superintendent of Schools, Jim Boothby indicated that to date the school has not received any funding amounts from the State for the budget year 7-1-2012 to 6-30-2013. The School is hopeful that natural gas is installed, as it would reduce the fuel line by \$100,000. Overall student loss this year from last is thirty-two (32), and no way of knowing the future numbers especially with School Choice and possible Charter Schools. Superintendent presented the budget timeline noting February 1<sup>st</sup> budget workshops start; May is validation/public hearing; and June is validation referendum election.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-101 regarding participation in the Maine Service Center Coalition

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to not approve Resolve #R-2012-101.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-102 regarding appointments for the ensuing year

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-102.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-103 writing off uncollectible receivables for the ambulance service

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-103.

10. Hold public hearing on CDBG Enterprise application

Town Manager briefly reviewed the CDBG program for a Community Enterprise Grant Program in the amount of \$150,000. The purpose of the grant application is to fund a Streetscape Program and a Business Façade Program.

David Weiss, Northeast Historic Film and George MacLeod, Macleod's Restaurant spoke in favor of the CDBG program.

Robert Blake and Larry Wahl, representatives of Buck Memorial Library would be very interested in the CDBG program if Buck Memorial Library would qualify,

11. Issue licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

12. Sign the Sewer Commitment

All Council Members signed the Sewer Commitment.

13. Hear comments from Robert Wardwell regarding practices impacting his business

Mayor David Keene explained the proper procedure when addressing publicly complaints about town employees to Robert Wardwell, owner of Wardwell Construction and Trucking Company.

Mr. Wardwell assured Mayor Keene that he did not intend to name anyone, but only wanted to address his concerns about how the town may be harming his business. When Mr. Wardwell spoke, he clearly placed the blame on one town employee, even though he did not mention his name, but clearly detailed his duties. He also claimed being treated unfairly by a Police Officer claiming he interfered with his truck drivers and the routes they took to deliver their loads. However, Chief Sean Geagan and Mr. Wardwell have met and are working on this issue.

Mayor Keene advised Mr. Wardwell that he had no answers to his questions, but have taken notes and would address these issues and get back to Mr. Wardwell with answers.

Mr. Wardwell requested a reply as soon as possible.

14. Discussion items

Byron Vinton said he would be away the month of February, and the Fire Works Ordinance public hearing is scheduled on February 9<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting. Byron originally initiated this ordinance, and would like to be able to vote and is asking council members if they could hold the public hearing but not vote on the ordinance until he returns.

Town Manager received letter from Plisga & Day, Land Surveyors with regards to land on Route 46 being M52, Lot 13.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Plisga & Day, Land Surveyors to survey a lot on State Route 46 being Map 52, Lot 13.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 8:02 P.M to discuss Town Manager's position.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to return to Town Council meeting at 8:12 P.M.

15. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Members Absent: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton and David Kee.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of January 26, 2012 as presented.

4. Receive and review documents and correspondence
  - a. Treasurer's Warrants January 2012  
-Council members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending January 31, 2012 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Financials for the period ending 1-31-2012  
Council members were provided with copies-of the financial statements for the period ending January 31, 2012 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Departmental Reports  
-Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
  - d. Draft copy of MOU between Town and BBHCC  
-Town Manager indicated that the draft copy of MOU between Town and BBHCC is not available. However, as soon as it becomes available, a copy will be placed in each of the Councilors' mailbox.
  - e. Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting  
-Council members received a copy of the Finance Committee meeting minutes.
5. Hold public hearing for ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 7 Fire Protection and Prevention Consumer Fireworks Ordinance"

Citizen Oliva Jacques indicated that he is not in favor of allowing Fireworks anywhere in Bucksport.

Police Chief Sean Geagan expressed his concerns and added that he is not in favor of allowing fireworks in Bucksport. Sean also noted that they have to enforce the State law, which is very complicated and no matter what happens, still have to enforce the law.

Fire Chief Craig Bowden reviewed statistics, noted liability and opposed allowing fireworks in Bucksport.

Also, speaking in favor of a town wide ban on fireworks was Mary Jane Bush, representing the Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition and Valerie Sulya, Bucksport Health Officer.

6. Close hearing and act on ordinance

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Howard and voted approve an ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 7 Fire Protection and Prevention Consumer Fireworks Ordinance".

Voted In Favor: David Keene and Jeff Robinson

Opposed: Belle Ryder and Robert Howard

Vote: 2- Yes 2- No **Motion failed due to the lack of four Yes votes and a tie vote.**

7. Consider introducing ordinance titled "Financing Road Improvements for Route 46"

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve introducing ordinance titled "Financing Road Improvements for Route 46".

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-104 authorizing expenses from the 2010 FEMA Grant and local share

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-104.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-105 referring matter pertaining to financing the development of a new Comprehensive Plan to the Finance Committee

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-105.

10. Issue licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Leadbro, LLC, d/b/a Harbor View Grille for renewal of a fulltime Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit.

11. Town Manager's report

**Nursing Home Project-** Mike Millett has completed the engineering report for the development of the street and installation of the utilities leading to the proposed site for the new nursing home. The report also includes information regarding the permits that will be required from the Corp of Engineer and Maine DEP. Copies of the report will be provided once it has been reviewed. Next week Mike will be meeting with MDEP to obtain some direction how the Town should proceed with permit applications while I will be meeting with representatives from First Atlantic to review the site to see if it meets their needs. I will report the findings to the Town Council at the February 23rd meeting at which time you will be asked how you want to proceed.

**Jed Prouty Project-** The Chambers are moving along well with their improvements. The Town has not released any of the Town's committed funds since we are still waiting for a copy of the license. Mr. Chambers expects to receive his license within the next few weeks. Once Mr. Chambers receives his license, I will be releasing the funds necessary to pay for the qualified improvements that have been completed.

**Public Infrastructure Project-** Maine Water Company has provided the Town with a Letter of Commitment for the balance of the funds necessary to complete the new tank project if the CDBG is received. The public hearing for the CDBG application is scheduled for February 23, 2012. The application is due March 10 and we are on schedule.

**Downtown and Waterfront Project-** The Town has received the MDEP permit for the improvements proposed on the west end of the waterfront. David Milan has submitted the Letter of Intent for the Enterprise Grant that will fund these improvements and other improvements proposed for the downtown area if the grant is received. The application must be filed by March 30.

**Route 46 Project-** The agreement for the grant funds has been filed with MDOT. If the Town Council introduces and adopts the ordinance to finance the Town's portion of the project, the matter will be going out to voters for the June election. If the citizens approve the ordinance, the next step will be to obtain the services of an engineer and surveyor to begin the plans and establish if any new right-of-way will be required.

**2012-2013 Municipal Budget-** I will have the preliminary budget for the Town Council at the February 23rd meeting.

**Capital Improvement Plan 2012 to 2017-** I will have the 2012-2017 CIP to the Town Council by the February 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**Treatment Plant Upgrade-** The Town is still waiting for the new license for the treatment plant. We expect to receive it any day now. I have met with Orland and Verona selectmen to discuss the details of the project and what their financial obligations will be regarding the engineering phase for the project.

**Bangor Gas Project-** We have continued to assist Bangor Gas with the expansion of natural gas into the compact area. Dave has had a meeting with Bangor Gas and Verso to determine a location for the decompression facility. A decision regarding that matter should be offered within the next few weeks. Citizens continue to show their interest to obtain natural gas for their homes and businesses.

**Housing Assistance Project-** I am currently working with Ron Harriman to submit an application to DECD for a 2012 Housing Assistance Grant. We plan on focusing the grant application on assisting low to moderate income household to convert to natural gas as well as weatherization of those homes outside the compact area. The Letter of Intent is due March 16.

**School Budget-** The Finance Director and I have been attending the budget workshops. It is imperative at this time to obtain your thoughts regarding the overall budget and what your expectations are regarding any rate of increase for property taxes for 2012-2013.

**Finance Director Position-** As you may have heard, our Finance Director has decided to relocate to another part of the State and will be leaving her employment with the Town on March 30. I have advertised the position and will begin to review the applications received as soon as the date for application closes on February 17<sup>th</sup>. I have asked our Superintendent of Schools and our current Finance Director to sit with me on the first round of interviews.

**Nason House Demolition-** The building has been demolished and the basement has been filled with gravel. The cost of removal was exceeded by \$300 because the volume of concrete from the foundation was extensively more than expected, so I had the concrete removed by the contractor for an additional \$300.

**Road Weight Limit Ordinance-** I will update you regarding the details of this ordinance including what its purpose is, how it is enforced and administered. If after the presentation you would like to make any changes to

the ordinance, you may want to consider referring the matter to the Ordinance Committee.

12. Discussion items

Town Manager asked Town Council members what direction the Council wants to go with for the 2012-2013 Budget.

All Council Members were in agreement to maintain what services the town presently offers.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 8:05 P.M. to discuss the Town Manager's position.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 8:22 P.M.

13. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2012  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Members Absent: Byron Vinton and David Kee.

Introduction of new Verso Paper Mill Manager

Wally MacDonald introduced himself as Verso Paper Mill new Manager, Bucksport, transferring from Verso Paper Mill in Jay, (Androscoggin County), where he was Operational Manager. Wally and his wife have four children, three in college, and were originally from South Carolina where he worked for Eastland Mill. Wally thanked the council for helping the Verso Mill with the TIF program; and indicated that he is still learning the different projects and or programs of the Mill and encouraged the Town Council and Verso Mill to continue with the good working relationship.

3. Receive documents and correspondence
  - a. Letter from DECD regarding Enterprise Grant
    - Town Manager indicated that the letter from DECD regarding the Enterprise Grant acknowledged that the town has met the requirements established by Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1973, as amended and the State of Maine CDBG program. Therefore the town is eligible to submit a Community Enterprise application for the activities outlined in the Letter of Intent.
  - b. Copies of licenses for the Jed Prouty
    - Council Members received copies of the licenses for the Jed Prouty from Chambers Realty, LLC, along with a reimbursement list of projects done either to date and or in the works on the facility.
  - c. Bangor Gas Service and Main Line Extension policy regarding excess cost
    - Council Members received copy of Bangor Gas Service and Main Line Extensions and Systems Improvements along with outlining costs to the customer.
  - d. Letter by email from Susan Dakin regarding property at 87 Jacob Buck Pond Road
    - Susan Dakin requesting Council approval for paid tax lien and interest on property located at 87 Jacob Buck Pond Road be abated by applying a credit toward her next year's taxes.

- e. Memo from Jeff Hammond, CEO regarding comments made to the Town Council by Robert Wardwell on January 26, 2012  
-Council Members received copy of memo from Jeff Hammond, Code Enforcement Officer regarding comments made to the Town Council by Robert Wardwell on January 26, 2012.

4. Hold public hearing on 2012 Public Infrastructure Community Development Block Grant for a new water tank

Town Manager briefly reviewed the 2012 Public Infrastructure Community Development Block Grant noting the application is in the amount of \$500,000. The purpose of the grant is to finance a portion of the cost of replacing an existing 317,000-gallon tank (located off McDonald Street) with a new 601,600-gallon tank at an estimated cost of \$902,000. If grant funds are not received, the cost to users will be increased by 8% annually. The engineer report prepared by Woodard and Curran notes that the existing riveted steel tank should be retired, as the tank is not adequately sized and it is very near its viable useful life, and has several major deficiencies including lead paint and excessive corrosion. The new tank will supply a more stable pressure for users and significantly higher fire flow volumes.

Town Manager also reported that Maine Water Company has provided a Letter of Commitment for the balance of the \$402,000 to complete the project. Oliva Jacques inquired about the size of the water tank, and how will it help the water pressure?

Town Manager indicated that the water tank would be larger around, not taller, and the pressure would be stronger because of being larger around. David Michaud, Wastewater Plant Manager indicated the larger capacity tank would increase available fire flow volume and pressure stability in the distribution system.

Judy Wallingford, President of Maine Water spoke briefly thanking the Council for partner once again with Maine Water Company in an effort to maintain water rates at reasonable levels while insuring that the water system facilities and infrastructure support the needs of the Town and our customers. Councilor Belle Ryder indicated that when the Boat Company in the Heritage Park was built, they had to install a \$25,000 system just for water pressure.

5. Close hearing and consider Resolve #R-2012-106 authorizing application for a 2012 PI-CDGB and local share

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-106.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-107 approving Memorandum of Understanding between Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition and the Town of Bucksport

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-107.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-108 approving contract with CES to monitoring ground and surface water at the closed landfill located off Central Street

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-108.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-109 authorizing a request for a property tax exemption on the new storage tank expected to be constructed in 2012/2013

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-109.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-110 regarding recommendation of the Finance Committee for the Catholic Church Parking Lot

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-110.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-111 approving appointments for the ensuing year

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-111.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-112 referring the Fireworks Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee

Councilor Belle Ryder has concerns with the Fireworks Ordinance and request that it be revisited as she has also heard from other concern citizens.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Howard and voted that Resolve #R-2012-112 be approved.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, David Keene, Jeff Robinson and Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-113 authorizing capital expenditure from the Public Safety Reserve Account

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-113.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-114 authorizing capital expenditure from the Town Garage Reserve

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R2012-114.

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-115 authorizing application for a 2012 Housing Community Development Block Grant

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-115.

15. Issue licenses or permits, if any

No licenses or permits to be issued.

16. Discussion items

Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Appointments Committee meeting on Thursday, March 29, 2012 at 5:45 P.M. at the Town Office.

Ordinance Committee meeting on Thursday, March 29, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Councilor Robert Howard commented that he feels the Town Charter needs to be reviewed like we do for ordinances more for housekeeping needs. Town Manager indicated that the Town Charter is ongoing and always updating as needed.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
12:30 P.M. AND 5:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012  
CONFERENCE ROOM-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 12:15 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: Jeffrey Robinson.
3. Vote to enter into Executive Session to interview candidates for the employment of a new Town Manager pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) (A)
4. Interview candidates

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 12:15 P.M.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 1:15 P.M.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 5:20 P.M.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to move out of executive session at 6:45 P.M.

5. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David Keene  
Mayor

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: Jeffrey Robinson.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of February 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents:
  - a. Treasurer's Warrants for February 2012  
-Council members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending February 2012 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Department Heads and Key Staff reports for February 2012  
-Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager of Department Heads.
  - c. Letter from FEMA regarding update of Coastal Flood Insurance Study Report and Flood Insurance Rate Maps for the Town of Bucksport  
-Due to flood map improvements, FEMA will be updating the engineering analysis along the coastline in Hancock County. This Risk MAP Program restudy will result in the incorporation of updated technical data into the Hancock County coastal Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) over the next few years. Jeff Hammond, CEO will be working with FEMA.
  - d. Notice of Elected Officials workshops  
-Council members received copy of elected officials workshop dates and locations, and were asked to see Town Manager if any council member was interested in attending.
  - e. Municipal Recycling Report 2011-Bucksport Region  
-Council members received copy of recycling report indicating the regional recycling rate is 34.01; along with a summary of the region's 2011 waste management and recycling program.

- f. Letter from DECD regarding intent to file an application for a 2012 CDBG housing application  
-The Town Manager will work with Ron Harriman, Ron Harriman Associates to proceed in submitting a 2012 Housing Assistance program application.
- g. Preliminary 2013 State Valuation report  
-Council members received copy of the preliminary 2013 State Valuation report indicating this valuation represents the full equalized value of all taxable property in the municipality as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Also, the State Valuation is what determines the rate of reimbursement on education, sets the general assistances and County Tax rates.

- 5. Hold public hearing regarding an ordinance titled "Financing Improvements for Route 46"

Town Manager briefly reviewed the improvements for Route 46 noting to improve mobility and safety on Route 46 in Bucksport in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. The method of financing the project is to be decided by the members of the Town Council but will include all or a combination of funds transferred from Undesignated Fund Balance Account and/or the Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) Revenue Reserve Account.

Citizen Oliva Jacques inquired about the use of \$500,000.

Town Manager indicated that the Town of Bucksport and the State of Maine Department of Transportation will partnership in this project, which will consist of reconstruct 6.5 miles and 1" pavement, using recycle asphalt.

- 6. Close hearing and consider adopting the ordinance

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve adopting ordinance titled "Financing Improvements for Route 46".

- 7. Receive a copy of the proposed municipal budget and capital improvement plan (CIP) for the period 7-1-2012 to 6-30-2013

Town Council members were provided with a copy of the proposed municipal budget and capital improvement plan (CIP) for the period 7-1-2012 to 6-30-2012.

- 8. Hear presentation by Town Manager regarding the proposed budget and CIP

Town Manager indicated that the proposed budget does not reflect a change for education from the previous year. An adjustment will be made once the Board for RSU #25 sets a preliminary budget. The gross municipal budget totals \$5,251,365 and reflects an overall decrease of \$83,312 or 1.56% in

comparison to the previous year. Decreases in health insurance premiums and capital improvements can be attributed to the reduction along with a 3% salary and wage increase for all full-time employees. Fuel and gasoline prices have been maintained at last year's level and may require an adjustment prior to the adoption of the final budget. Municipal revenues, not including property taxes, reflect a decrease of \$160,738 or 5.42% in comparison to the previous year. Reductions in interest from investments, tax Incremental Financing (TIF) revenue, and surplus can be attributed to the decrease. Funds for CIP reflect a decrease of \$121,200 over the previous year, which has accounted for the reductions from surplus and TIF revenue. Assuming the municipal budget is approved as submitted, the increase from property taxes as compared to the previous year is \$83,312 or 3.35%. The increase, if the budget were approved as is, would require an adjustment in the mill rate from 12.52 to 12.66 or 1.1%. For a home valued at \$100,000, an increase of \$11.00 would be realized

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-116 approving the schedule for budget workshops

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-116.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-117 authorizing the Bucksport Fire Department to burn a building for training at Map 8 Lot 4 located on the Town Farm Road

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-117.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-118 to authorize the Treasurer to reimburse \$50.63 in interest cost to Susan Dakin

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Howard and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-118.

Vote In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.

Opposed: David Kee

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-119 authorizing local funds for the 2012 Enterprise Grant application

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-119.

13. Consider issuing permits and licenses, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Wayne Hand, d/b/a Bucksport Golf Club for renewal of Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit.

14. Consider issuing quitclaim deeds for paid tax and sewer liens

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve issuing quitclaim deeds for paid tax and sewer liens to Jeremy Adams, James and Ellen Boughman, Keith and Betty French, Timothy Jerome, Anthony Lowell, Sr., Wayne and Susan Dakin and Dana Harlow.

15. Hear report from Town Manager

**New Water Storage Facility**

-A public hearing was held on the proposed new water storage facility and has submitted an application to the Office of Economic and Community Development for a 2012 Public Infrastructure Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$500,000.

**Enterprise Grant**

-A public hearing will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup> to obtain authorization to apply for an Enterprise Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$58,425 to complete façade and landscape improvements in the downtown area.

**Housing Grant**

-Town Manager reported that a Letter of Intent has been filed for the 2012 Community Development Housing Grant and will hold a public hearing in mid April.

**Bangor Gas**

-Town Manager reported that David Milan, Economic Development Director is continuing to work with citizens on the application process, and indicated that Bangor Gas Representative is not concerned to date with only about 38% of citizens that have filed their application.

**Long Pond Property Sale**

-Town Manager reported that the survey on the Long Pond property has been completed, and the next step is the processing of the deeds.

**Waterfront Access Grant**

-Town Manager reported that the fifteen-foot right-a-way between the Mott and Foster building is in the process of being researched.

**SHIP Grant**

-Town Manager indicated that the Town received this SHIP grant a year ago to improve the piling at the Town Dock. However, the work was rejected due to the chipping of the paint. It is the contractor's responsibility to correct the problem, but has not done so to date.

**Yellow School House-Duck Cove Community Club**

-Town Manager received lease agreement between the Town of Bucksport and the Duck Cove Community Club. The Town attorney has reviewed the agreement and finds it being acceptable for the town to take ownership.

**Finance Director Position**

-Town Manager reported interviewing three strong candidates, and very pleased with the finalist. She will begin her duties on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

16. Discussion items

Appointment Committee Meeting on March 22, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. at the Town Office, Conference Room.

Finance Committee Meeting on March 22, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office, Conference Room.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: David Kee.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting  
  
No minutes of previous meetings to be considered.
4. Receive and review correspondence
  - a. Letter from MDOT regarding Transportation Project Solicitation  
-Town Manager provided copy of letter from MDOT indicating that every two years MDOT solicits transportation project proposals from Maine town governments. Town Manager asked council members to prioritize projects they would like see done by MDOT, and to discuss these at the regular town council meeting in April.
  - b. Lease Agreement with The Inhabitants of The Town of Bucksport and Duck Cove Community Club  
-Town Manager indicated that this is the final draft of the Lease Agreement between The Inhabitants of The Town of Bucksport and Duck Cove Community Club. The closing is scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. If there are any concerns by any members of the Town Council, those comments should be directed to the Town Manager no later than by March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
5. Hold public hearing regarding application for an Enterprise CDBG for a downtown façade program

Town Manager reviewed the 2012 Enterprise Community Development Block Grant project noting this would complete the façade and landscape improvements in the downtown area. Included in the project; Buck Library/reappointing of granite and brick façade; Historical Society/paint building and trim; Verona Grange/relocate entrance-ramp; Chamber of Commerce/replace flower boxes; Heyward House/fence; Historical Society Walkway and Picnic Point Sitting Area. The Town of Bucksport would provide local funds in the amount of \$58,425.

Citizen Oliva Jacques spoke in favor of this grant.

6. Close hearing and consider Resolve #R-2012-119 authorizing local funds for the 2012 Enterprise Grant application

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-119.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-120 authorizing the Town to file an application with DECD to obtain designation as a Certified Business Friendly Community

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-120.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-121 regarding exemption of taxes for the new water storage tank

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-121.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-122 approving employment contract for a new Town Manager (this matter will be voted on only if a contract has been agreed upon by the candidate)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-122.

10. Discussion items

Belle Ryder inquired about obtaining information on the handling of fire permits.

Byron Vinton also suggested looking at how we handle licensing parades and fireworks.

Town Manager will have the information available at the next meeting.

11. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: David Kee.
3. Receive and review documents, if any
  - a. Letter from Time Warner Cable regarding Internal Restructuring  
-Town Manager briefly noted the letter from Time Warner Cable referring to the Form 394 application that consortium members received from Time Warner along with the contents of the CD-which includes the Time Warner Cable Inc.'s ("TWCP") most recent 10-K annual report filed with the SEC and the Restructuring Agreement TWC entered into with its subsidiaries to effect the proposed restructuring. Attached is the email from attorney Pat Scully advising of no concerns.
4. Consider Resolve #R2012-123 authorizing expenditures from Overlay, TIF, Undesignated Fund Balance, Capital Projects, and Sewer Reserve Accounts  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-123.
5. Consider Resolve #R-2012-124 authorizing transfers to cover the local share for grant projects  
  
It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-124.
6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-125 awarding contract for streets and parking lot striping for 2012  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-125.
7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-126 authorizing signing of deeds for sale of properties located along Long Pond and Route 46 and transferring funds received from the sales to Undesignated Fund Balance  
  
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-126.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-127 authorizing applications for wetland disturbance for Broadway and Park Street extensions

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-127.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-128 approving appointments for the ensuing year

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-128 as long as Richard Tennant accepts a one year term to the Housing Advisory Committee.

10. Issue permits or licenses, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Marie Bradbury, d/b/a D & M. Florist for itinerant vendor license.

11. Hear report from Town Manager

**Town Dock SHIP Program**

-Town Manager indicated that he is working with the contractor to resolve the problem with the piling at the Town Dock.

**CDBG Housing Application**

-Town Manager reported that a public hearing would be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at the Bucksport Town Office to discuss an application being submitted to the State of Maine CDBG program for a Housing Rehabilitation grant program. The purpose of the grant is to upgrade substandard single-family and rental housing conditions.

**Silver Lake Landing**

-Town Manager reported that the Department of Conservation monies for the Silver Lake Landing project should be available in late April 2012. Public Works Department is working on the project.

**Bangor Gas**

Town Manager will give a progress report regarding Bangor Gas's effort to extend natural gas into the compact area at the regular Town Council meeting in April, 2012.

**Finance Director**

Town Manager reported that Kathryn Hickson is the new Finance Director, and will begin her duties on April 2, 2012. Town Manager publicly thanked Deborah Fitzpatrick for her expertise and commitment to the Town as former Finance Director and wished her well in her new endeavor.

**301 Waiver**

-Town Manager indicated that the 301 Waiver has been withdrawn, looking to obtain license for secondary treatment, and help find resources to build a new treatment plant.

12. Discussion items

Town Manager received email from Don Gerrish requesting additional consulting funds.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve additional expenses for services rendered for Town Manager's position in the amount of \$7,176.28, and to be expended from Undesignated Fund Account.

Jeffrey Robinson indicated that the Ordinance Committee met this evening on the fireworks ordinance and recommended sending this matter to public referendum in June.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to send the Fireworks Ordinance to referendum in June as a non-binding referendum question.

13. Proceed to budget workshop for sewer operations and CIP

**A. Sewer and Treatment**

-Sewer and Treatment reflects a 1.60% or \$7,966 overall increase, which includes 5.31% or \$2,864 regular salaries, 6.21% or \$130 extra and overtime, 2.24% or \$14 software support, 4.25% or \$153 postage, 14.16% or \$3,200 parts and repairs, 11.11% or \$200 water, 3.00% or \$2,379 contracted services, 6.20% or \$235 Orland maintenance, 2.00% or \$9,140 user fees, 1.78% or \$194 Verona subsidies, 1.43% or \$232 Orland subsidies and a decrease of -5.79% or (\$1,155) employee benefits, -0.11% or (\$50) contingency cost and -40.00% or (\$1,600) interest earnings.

**B. CIP – Wastewater Treatment Equipment Reserve**

-purchase of snow blower -

14. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Members Absent: David Kee and Jeffrey Robinson.
3. Proceed to budget workshop for the following:

Town Manager spoke briefly on the 9% increase in the RSU #25 education budget, noting increases in staff development and special education.

Superintendent has done a good job in cutting dollar amounts in general budget, but sees the need to further cut in the special education and staff development.

Town Manager briefly reviewed the 2012-2013 budget projections on general revenues, valuation and expenses, noting before finalizing the budget, waiting for valuation on Verso paper machine.

**A. Highway Department/Street and Ways**

-Highway Department reflect a -10.37% % or (\$104,865) overall decrease, which includes a increase of 3.18% or \$10,268 regular salaries, 3.04% or \$1,830 extra and overtime, 2.98% or \$496 summer help, 4.41% or \$2,541 equipment rental and a decrease of -49.52% or (\$120,000) pavement cost.

**CIP :**

**Town Garage Reserve**

- Replace two Steel entrance Doors
- Engineering study to Widen Doors
- Replace Lights in Sand Building

**Highway Equipment Reserve**

- 1/2 ton Pickup
- Quick Switch Plow H-7

**Highway Improvement Reserve**

- Reclaim Pond Street 500'
- Additional Paving
- Reclaim ¼ mile Bucksmills Road
- Reconstruct Mast Hill Road 200'
- Engineering and Survey Route 46

**Parking Lot Reserve**

- Expand Parking Lot adjacent to Pool/across Jewett School

**Transfer Station Reserve**

- Pave Aprons to the Pads

-Install Steel Rail

**B. Solid Waste**

-Solid Waste reflects a -1.26% or (\$5,001) overall decrease, which includes an increase of 2.87% or \$1,868 regular salaries, 3.03% or \$191 extra and overtime, 33.60% or \$882 building supplies, .08% or \$13 equipment rental, 16.67% or \$1,000 monitoring wells/testing and decrease of -7.53% or (\$3,501) employee benefits, -9.54% or (\$515) insurance, -2.49% or (\$119) administrative cost, -2.48% or (\$4,820).

-Total Solid Waste Revenues reflects a .51% or \$963 overall increase, which includes 36.40% or \$6,565 recycling revenues and a decrease of -5.65% or (\$4,122) budgetary revenues and -2.89% or (\$1,480) tipping fees.

-Orland's Solid Waste share reflects a decrease of -.10% or (\$91.13) for a total of \$88,944.14

**CIP Solid Waste Equipment Reserve**

-New Baler (if required)

**C. Discuss possible budget reductions, if necessary**

-None

4. Discussion items

Town Manager reported that David Michaud, Treatment Plant Operator would be available the last week of April to visit Orono/Old Town Plant to view secondary treatment.

Councilors on the Sewer Committee agreed to visit the plant on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, gathering at the Town Office to leave at 10:00 AM.

Town Manager noted (not in favor) of the suggestion from the school of moving the voting to the High School Gymnasium.

Council members agreed with the Town Manager that the voting will stay at the Jewett School Gymnasium.

5. Adjournment

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Robert Howard that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: David Kee.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of March 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  - a. Treasurer's Warrant for March 2012
    - Council members were provided with copies of the Treasurer's Warrants for the period ending March 2012 and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - b. Revenue and Expense Report for the period ending 3-31-2012
    - Council members were provided with copies of the Revenue and Expense Reports for the period ending March 2012 noting the revenues are on track, and the expense account is on track with the exception of council expense, due to expense of hiring Town Manager. Any questions or concerns should be directed to the Town Manager or Finance Director.
  - c. Departmental Reports
    - Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
  - d. Letter to Nancy and Stephen Scott regarding payment of an invoice for plowing a section of the Upper Long Pond Road
    - Council members received a copy of letter Town Manager sent to Nancy and Stephen Scott regarding payment of an invoice for plowing a section of the Upper Long Pond Road.
  - e. Letter from DECD regarding Tax Incremental Financing District at Verso
    - The Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (Department) has reviewed the Verso Project Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District and Program application. The District has full approval; and the Program has earned conditional approval, subject to Department receipt/review of requirements.

- f. Letter on GA amendments
  - Council members received copy of GA amendments noting; reduction in GA maximum levels of assistance by 10% from the level in effect on April 1, 2012; restricts housing assistance in the GA program to no more than 270 days per calendar year for the period July 1, 2012; reduces the state reimbursement rate for municipalities that incur net GA costs in any FY in excess of .0003 of their most recent state valuation to 85%; Directs the Commissioner of HHS to convene and make appointments to a working group to review and make recommendations related to the GA program; established (7) Family Independence Specialists (2) year limited period positions in the GA-Reimbursements to Cities and Towns for a pilot program to maximize and expedite awards for federal SSI benefits for recipients of GA.
  
- g. Letter from Orland regarding the Orland Dam
  - Council members received copy of letter from Town of Orland Dam Committee welcoming any contribution with the match from Town of Bucksport if the grant application to NOAA to study the Orland Dam and River impoundment is approved.
  
- h. Letter from DECD regarding the 2012 CDBG Public Infrastructure program application
  - Council members were provided with a copy of a letter from the Office of Community Development (OCD) inviting the Town of Bucksport into the project development phase of the application process and have in reserve \$500,000 for this project.
  
- i. Letter of Recognition, recognizing (19) cities and towns to be potentially considered as a “Certified Business Friendly Community”
  - Council members received letter of recognition acknowledging the Town of Bucksport as one of the towns “Certified Business Friendly Community”. The goal of the program is to encourage a business friendly climate in municipalities throughout the State and better position Maine for economic prosperity.
  
- j. Letter from MDOT regarding accepting applications for the Small Harbor Improvement Program
  - Council members were provided with a copy of the letter from MDOT informing the Town of Bucksport about the competitive Small Harbor Improvement grant application to tidewater communities that can demonstrate a need to improve economic activity and improve access to a tidewater river or the ocean on publicly accessible property.

k. Review of State Valuation

-Council members received update information on State Valuation request for adjustments, sudden and severe disruption, procedure, notifications, effect of modified state valuation and reporting.

l. Transportation Enhancement and Safe Routes to Schools Grant

-Town Manager received email from Sheri Walsh, MDOT as a reminder that letters of intent are due by May 11<sup>th</sup> and proposals are due on June 29<sup>th</sup> for the Transportation Enhancement and Safe Routes to Schools grant.

5. Consider Resolve #R-2012-129 regarding the disposition of tax acquired property

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-129.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-130 to award contract to George Sansoucy to assist the assessor to prepare the 2013 valuation for Bangor Gas

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-130.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-131 regarding Time Warner Cable Inc. request for the town to recognize reorganization of Time Warner Cable Northeast

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-131.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-132 regarding household hazardous and universal waste collection program for 2012

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-132.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-133 authorizing expenditure for the Silver Lake Boat Landing improvements

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-133.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-134 referring to the Sewer Committee a request from the Buck Mill Rod and Gun Club to use the sludge spreading site for a shooting and archery range

Roger Green, representing Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club gave an overall presentation to the Town Council requesting support to use part of the sewage sludge site on the Upper Long Pond Road to construct one or more outdoor

rifle, pistol and shotgun ranges for the use of the Bucks Mills Rod & Gun Club activities and training for members, guests and other law enforcement or government agencies. The Club is also looking for assistance with funding sources.

Jeff Robinson inquired about the Police Department using this site for training; and what about this site for use of paint ball?

Roger Green sees no problem with the Police Department using this site for training, but not sure about paint ball.

Michael Ormsby asked if the range was gone to be open year round.

Roger Green replied, yes.

Byron Vinton likes the concept of the project, and feels the need to look at this seriously, and to assist in seeking funding for the project

Michael Ormsby asked to explain funding.

Roger Green indicated that it takes a lot of funds to make it safe and contained.

Belle Ryder inquired about charging fees and recycling.

Roger Green indicated because of the lead in the bullets, he has not been able to find out what to do with them.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-134.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-135 referring plans for improvements along the waterfront to the Waterfront Committee

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-135.

12. Consider issuing licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Michael Tozier, d/b/a Tozier's II Bar-n-Grill for renewal of Victualer License, fulltime Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit.

13. Consider issuing quit-claim deed for paid tax liens

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve quit-claim deed for paid tax lien to Gary Watson, quit-claim deed for paid sewer liens to Martin Kernberg and Stonecrest Income and Opportunity Fund 1, LLC.

14. Hear Town Manager's Report

- a. Jed Prouty Assisted Living Facility

-At this time, thirteen (13) of the Jed Prouty's (16) licensed beds have been reserved; installed new windows throughout the building, a new roof

should be in place before next week and a new porch in front of the building should be done by the end of next month. The work way exceeds expectations, looks great inside and scheduled a tour of the facility for council members before next week's council meeting.

- b. Housing Grant
  - Will be holding a public hearing on the CDBG Housing Grant at the April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Town Council meeting. Deadline for filing application is May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- c. Public Infrastructure Grant
  - Public Infrastructure Grant has been approved. This allows proceeding with the new standpipe, which is considerable savings to the Town.
- d. Small Harbors Improvement Grants
  - Letter of intent is due May 11<sup>th</sup>, and proposals are due June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. If grant is approved, this would allow adding on to the town dock.
- e. Transportation Enhancement and Safe Routes to Schools
  - Letter of intent is due May 11<sup>th</sup> and proposals are due June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. David Milan, Economic Development Director spent time with MDOT reviewing enhancement and safe routes to schools on Broadway.
- f. New Freedom Access to Improve Transit Projects 2012
  - Application for New Freedom Access to Improve Transit Projects 2012 is due by May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This project would fund Crosswalk located at Main Street/Town Dock; and Crosswalk project located at intersection of US Route 1 and Hink's Street.
- g. First Atlantic Proposal
  - Lawyers for First Atlantic are drawing up papers that would have Wardwell and the Town of Bucksport share the cost of working out an agreement to respond to the fact that there were some disturbance of wetlands when Wardwell's business site first was developed in Bucksport
- h. Site Visit Secondary Treatment Plant
  - A site visit to Orono Treatment Plant is scheduled for Monday April 23, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. Meeting at the Town Office 9:00 A.M. to car pool.
- i. Bangor Gas
  - Town Manager indicated that he would draw up a proposed ordinance to take the added financial incentive to the voters. The town already has the money to pay the extra sum without raising property taxes, but it requires voter support to access it.

- j. Purchase New Fire Truck
  - Funds are in the Capital Improvement Plan to purchase a new Fire Truck, however because the proposed purchase is more than the councilors can spend on their own, this will require voters support.

15. Discussion items

All Council Members signed quarterly Sewer Commitment.

Town Manager reviewed Highway projects; such as, repaving Route 1 from intersection of Route 1 and 15 to the Orland Town line; repaving Main Street from First Street to Franklin Street; repaving Central Street from Main Street to Broadway, improvement to bridge abutment at Duck Cove Road, Harbor Improvements-Dock extension and Transportation enhancement-fund connectors for the Master Trail program.

Frank Dunbar, citizen and member of the Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club thanked Roger Raymond for all his assistance in helping with the Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club request for a site from the Town of Bucksport to be used as a shooting and archery range.

Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Waterfront Committee meeting on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Office.

Sewer Committee meeting at Orono Treatment Plant on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 at 10:00 A.M.

Oliva Jacques indicated that he was on the Town Council when the Town hired Roger Raymond, and has been trying to talk him out of leaving. Oliva thanked Roger for supporting the Veterans Memorial, and wanted to publicly give his thanks for all he has done in the Community.

16. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson and Belle Ryder. Members Absent: David Kee and Robert Howard.
3. Hold public hearing on an application for a 2012 Housing Assistance Community Development Block Grant

Ron Harriman of Ron Harriman Associates will be filing an application for the 2012 Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$300,000. Ron briefly reviewed the grant application noting the grant is based on income-eligible residents and owners of rental apartments occupied by those who are income-eligible. The proposed application is due in Augusta by May 5<sup>th</sup>. If the application is approved, the monies would be used for improvements such as handicap accessibility, replacing unsafe or obsolete heating system, installing replacement windows and doors and other projects to make homes safer and more energy efficient. Property owners were encouraged to complete a pre-application form, which are available at the Town Office, on the town website or you can contact Community Development Office at 947-8595. The application process is very competitive, so it's important for the town to gather as much information possible to support the need for the program.

Mary Jane Bush and Valerie Sulya members of the housing committee spoke in favor of the program. Mary Jane indicated that this program has allowed many older citizens to stay in their homes; and Valerie said she is very proud of the program and proud to be on the committee.

Council Members and public at large asked numerous questions that were answered by Ron Harriman.

4. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Financing Extension of Natural Gas Line to Serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area"

Town Manager reviewed the ordinance titled "Financing Extension of Natural Gas Line to Serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area" noting to authorize to expend an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to provide Contribution in Aid of Construction (CIAC) for the installation of a decompression station and the necessary gas lines to serve the Downtown business area and public schools; said expenditure to be paid for from the School Designated Fund Balance. The current balance of the fund is \$867,828.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve introducing an ordinance titled "Financing Extension of Natural Gas Line to Serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area.

5. Consider introducing an ordinance titled "Finance the Purchase of a New Tanker/Pumper Fire Truck"

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to table introducing an ordinance titled "Finance the Purchase of a New Tanker/Pumper Fire Truck" until all bids are received.

Fire Chief Craig Bowden indicated that the old tanker/pumper fire truck is thirty years old and already has issues with the pump. It takes between nine and twelve months process to obtain a new truck. I am not opposed to waiting for all the bids, but am opposed to have to wait for another referendum election.

Town Manager indicated that because First Atlantic Healthcare of Portland is anxious to proceed with a nursing home, it is possible to hold another election between June and November election.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-136 approving final payoff for the Town Manager

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-136.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-137 appointing a new Town Manager, Treasurer, Tax Collector and General Assistance Administrator

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-137.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-138 recommitting outstanding property taxes to the new Tax Collector

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-138.

9. Proceed to budget workshop for the following:

**A. Police Protection**

-Police Department reflects a 4.72% or \$20,040.30 overall increase, which includes 4.22% or \$12,597.30 regular salaries, 7.31% or \$3,442 extra and overtime, 3.04% or \$259 reserves, 4.40% or \$342 training payroll, 3.01%

or \$101 investigation payroll, 62.77% or \$2,885 animal control officer, 1.41% or \$370 fuel vehicles and 2.97% or \$44 Police in Education.

**CIP Police Equipment Reserve**

-None

**CIP Animal Shelter Reserve**

-Exhaust Fans

**B. Dispatch Office**

-Dispatch Office reflects a 3.70% or \$6,163 overall increase, which includes 3.34% or \$4,255 regular salaries, 8.34% or \$1,793 extra and overtime, 2.91% or \$85 training payroll and .50% or \$30 equipment maintenance and repair.

-Employee Benefits reflects a decrease of -18.29% or (\$10,695), -6.46% or (\$141) Insurance and -2.36% or (\$113) Administrative Support.

-Total Administrative Cost reflects a decrease of -1.29% or (\$157) Orland calls, -1.46% or (\$358) Bucksport Fire and increase of 5.19% or \$1,893 Ambulance calls.

**Allocation Cost**

-Dispatch Office Allocation Cost reflects a Total Dispatch Cost of -2.36% or (\$5,755) and equipment reserve -16.87% or (\$1,213). Total Building Cost reflects a 4.76% or \$244.

**CIP Dispatch Equipment Reserve**

-None

**C. Fire Protection**

-Fire Department reflects a 2.99% or \$10,052 overall increase, which includes 3.61% or \$7,896 regular salaries, 3.81% or \$1,299 extra and overtime, 2.03% or \$672 call firemen payroll, 1.51% or \$185 training payroll, 7.14% or \$370 fuel vehicles and a decrease of -12.94% or (\$370) miscellaneous.

**CIP Fire Department Equipment Reserve**

-Purchase of new pumper & tanker

**D. Ambulance Service**

-Ambulance Service reflects a 12.24% or \$1,325 overall increase, which includes 27.90% or \$21,901 attendants payroll, 3.59% or \$205 training payroll, 26.40% or \$99 postage, 275% or \$550 miscellaneous and 10.61% or \$24,080 uncollectibles.

**CIP Ambulance Service**

-Mobile computer upgrade and purchase of new stretcher

**E. Public Safety Building**

-Public Safety Building reflects a 0% or (\$1) overall which includes increase of 3.01% or \$129 custodian payroll, 1.08% or \$50 building maintenance and repairs, 2.96% or \$345 electricity, 40.23% \$350 miscellaneous and decrease of -5.88% or (\$875) fuel heating.

**CIP Public Safety Building**

-Install natural gas burner, install new water tap and retile dispatch office

**F. Utilities**

-None

**G. General Government**

**Administration**

-Administration reflects a 2.59% or \$10,317 overall increase which includes 3.05% or \$6,460 regular salaries, 4.78% or \$95 election salaries, 8.81% or \$555 software support, 1.98% or \$56 printing, 4.03% or \$400 tax lien cost, and 1.01% or \$75 Maine Municipal Association.

**Municipal Planning**

-Municipal Planning reflects a 3.09% or \$1,760 overall increase which includes a 3% or \$1,444 CEO salary, 12.71% or \$216 CEO expense and 8.70% or \$100 HCPC dues.

**Assessor's Office**

-Assessor's Office reflects a -7.52% or (\$4,630) overall decrease which includes a 2.02% or \$1,000 regular salary, 4.82% or \$106 software support and -100% or (\$5,736) contracted services.

**Municipal Office**

-Municipal Office reflects a .99% or \$202 overall increase which includes a 3.02% or \$202 regular salary, 28.92% or \$240 building supplies and a decrease of -3.85% or (\$240) electricity.

**CIP Town Office Equipment Reserve**

-Main Office/Computer, Assessor Office computer, monitor, printer, camera and tax maps printing.

**Town Office Reserve**

-Town Manager's Office renovations

**Chamber of Commerce Building**

-Facade improvements

**Insurance and Benefits**

-Insurance and Benefits reflects a -3.49% or (\$26,527) overall decrease which includes, Workers Compensation increase of 7.81% or \$4,713, Social Security increase of 5.71% or \$8,812, Group Life Insurance increase of 7.43% or \$1,473, Health Insurance reflects a decrease of -9.50% or (\$41,471) and Income Protection reflects a decrease of -.25% or (\$54).

**Public Access**

-Public Access reflects a 1.54% or \$53 overall increase which reflects an increase of 2.92% or \$53.

**CIP Public Access**

-None

**Economic Development**

-Economic Development reflects a 2.46% or \$1,642 overall increase which includes 3% or \$1,642 regular payroll.

**Downtown Reserve**

-Street signs (4), Flower baskets, new connectors Waterfront and Main Street, Welcome to Bucksport sign, Facade program, Jed Prouty renovations, Flowers for baskets and improvements to west end of Waterfront

**-Acting Town Manager Report**

-Briefly commented on the continuation of proceeding with talking to citizens about their interest in natural gas that will be provided by Bangor Gas Company.

-Proceed with Nursing Home project, need wetland permit, review Option Agreement between John Wardwell and Town of Bucksport to purchase property. Will send option agreement to town attorney for review and take this item up at the next Town Council meeting.

-Consider awarding contract to Ron Harriman Associates to administer the 2012 Public Infrastructure Grant for the construction of a new standpipe. Will put this on the next Town Council meeting agenda.

-Send out newsletter to citizens introducing new Town Manager, review and an explanation of school budget and municipal referendum questions.

10. Discussion items

Byron Vinton thanked Acting Town Manager, Roger Raymond for all his hard work and dedication to the Town of Bucksport.

David Keene also thanked Roger Raymond noting some of his accomplishments he has done in the community, and leaving the town in great financial status.

All Council members echo Byron and David's comments.  
A standing ovation was given to Roger Raymond.

11. Adjournment

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Michael Ormsby and  
unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Member Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: David Kee.

3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 as presented.

4. Receive and review correspondence or documents, if any
  - a. Letter from Daniel Stewart, Quality Community Program Manager encouraging the Town of Bucksport to sign a letter of intent to apply for the Small Harbor Improvement Program. This grant would allow improvements and upgrades to the town dock.
  - b. Council members received copy of letter regarding preliminary excise tax determination for place of payment with regards to Wardwell Construction and Trucking Corporation.
  - c. Council members received notification from Gardner Commons Committee the names of newly appointed members.

5. Consider Resolve #R-2012-139 extending contract with S.F.Eastman, LLC for hauling solid waste trailers to PERC

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-139.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-140 approving Option Agreement and Permitting Agreement with John W. Wardwell and the Town of Bucksport regarding the extension of Broadway and Park Street

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-140, waiting for town attorney comments.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-141 awarding contract with Ron Harriman Associates for the administration of a 2012 Public Infrastructure Grant for the construction of a new standpipe

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-141.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-142 authorizing the Finance Director to write-off \$4,419.86 in uncollectible ambulance charges the period January 1, 2011 thru March 31, 2011

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-142.

9. Consider Resolve#R-2012-143 accepting grant from Department of Public Safety for the 2012 "BUNE" Seat Belt Enforcement and Education project

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-143.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-144 approving Vehicle Data Service Agreement for the Bucksport Police Department

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-144.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-145 authorizing transfer of funds to cover the cost of personnel to assist with the scanning of records and migrating these records to the website

It was motioned by Byron Vinton seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-145.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-146 referring request from the Bucksport Area Child Care Center to the Finance Committee

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-146.

13. Consider issuing quit-claim deed for paid tax lien to Sarah White

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve issuing quit-claim deed for paid tax lien to Sarah White.

14. Proceed to budget workshop for the following:

**A. Recreation**

-Recreation Department reflects a 04% or \$78.00 overall increase, which includes 3.00% or \$1,773.00 Director's Salary, 3.00% or \$406.00 Senior Citizens Director, 3.01% or \$578.00 Swimming Pool Payroll, .78% or \$135.00 part-time Assistant,

- 10.14% or \$278.00 fuel Vehicles and a decrease of -.39% or (\$124.00) Facilities Maintenance Payroll, -47.75% or (\$2,968.00) Youth Activities Payroll.
- Recreation Revenues reflects a -2.78% or (\$625.00) overall decrease, which includes -100% or (\$814.00) Senior Program Director Revenue and an increase of 2.98% or \$189.00 Facility Maintenance Payroll.
- Recreation Subsidies reflects a 2.00% or \$174.00 overall increase.
- Head Start Rent reflects a 2.50% or \$234.00 overall increase.

**Town Dock**

- Town Dock reflects an increase of 29.41% or \$500.00 Facility Supplies and a decrease of -13.92% or (\$500.00) Electricity Cost.

**CIP - Recreation Equipment Reserve**

- New Z-mower 60" – maintain recreational fields
- New Z-mower for waterfront

**CIP – Recreation Facility Reserve**

- Maintain Miles Lane #3 Field; seal rink and paint boards; fill cracks and surface areas on track, replace storage shed at Reggie Ginn Field and repairs to skate board platform.

**CIP – Pool House and Storage Reserve**

- Replace filter

**CIP – Bucksport Performing Arts Center**

- No activity proposed

**CIP – Concession Stand/Bathroom Facility**

- No activity proposed

**CIP – Silver Lake Property Reserve**

- Repair to boat landing

**B. Debt Service, Cemeteries and Revenues**

**Revenue Detail**

- Revenue Details reflects -2.48% or (\$269,749.00) overall decrease which includes the following:

**General Government**

- Interest on Investment decreased -50% or (\$50,000)
- Tax Lien Cost increased 3.88% or \$386.00
- TIF Revenues decreased -20.14% or (\$30,612)
- Appropriation from Surplus decreased -43.08% or (\$208,555)

**Protection**

- Fire Protection Subsidies decreased -1.77% or (\$552.00)
- Ambulance Subsidies increased 34.29% or (\$13,948)
- Dispatch Subsidies decreased -1.29% or (\$157.00)

**Health & Sanitation**

- Solid Waste Subsidies increased .05% or \$47.00
- Recycling Revenue increased 36.40% or \$6,565
- Solid Waste Fees decreased -2.89% or (\$1,480.00)
- Budgetary Solid Waste Revenues decreased -5.65% or (\$4,122.00)

**Recreation**

- Recreation Subsidies increased 2.00% or \$174.00
- Recreation Revenues decreased -2.78% or (\$625.00)
- Recreation Facility Rent increased 2.50% or \$234.00
- Cable TV Revenues increased 14.29% or \$5,000.00

15. Discussion items

Waterfront Committee and Conservation Committee joint meeting on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. at the Town Office.

Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Byron Vinton indicated that he attended the RSU budget workshop last evening and was very disappointed with what he heard, and when asked a question, it was never answered directly. He also commented on the attitude of some members of the School Board, and that the board appears to want to spend several hundred thousand dollars more than he believes the residents of the four communities in the RSU can afford. One School Board member indicated that they were not gone to cut the proposed budget any more. Councilors Michael Ormsby, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard were also critical of the school budgeting process.

Councilor Mike Ormsby commented that the citizens need to get involved. They don't understand the process has been changed and that the council no longer has the say, it is voted on by the citizens.

Council Belle Ryder and Robert Howard expressed concerns with special education.

Council Jeffrey Robinson commented, that Board Members, Administration and Teachers will have children lined up on the sidewalk crying if the school board is asked to cut the proposed budget further.

Byron Vinton said the proposed school budget needs to be defeated, but realizes it won't be easy; and feels the final public hearing before the town referendum vote will be dominated by administrators, school teachers, staffers, and their supporters.

16. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Respectfully submitted

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.

3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

No minutes to be considered.

4. Receive and review correspondence or documents, if any

No correspondence or documents received to review.

5. Open Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to adopt "Financing the Extension of Natural Gas to Serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area"

Town Manager indicated that the Town is still negotiating with Bangor Gas. It would be profitable to the Town as to the savings by switching the RSU schools and some municipal buildings to natural gas. However, the town has requested additional information from Bangor Gas as to the construction cost to the citizens, and the clear path of the gas lines.

Citizen Oliva Jacques said he supports Natural Gas.

Councilor David Kee commented that citizens support it, but are reluctant to sign up due to the unknown cost.

David Milan, Economic Development Director indicated that most property owners are very reluctant to fill out a four (4) page application process that is very detail and not user friendly along with not knowing the installation cost. Spoke with Bangor Gas about the application, and they will work on reducing the process to make it easier.

David Keene asked what if a citizen signs up and changes their mind. Are they obligated?

David Milan said they are not obligated until lines are installed.

David Kee asked if someone from Bangor Gas would go to property owner's homes to inspect and provide citizens with cost.

David Milan said yes.

6. Close Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to adopt Financing the Extension of Natural Gas to serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area
7. Consider an ordinance, "Financing the Extension of Natural Gas to serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area"

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve an ordinance, "Financing the Extension of Natural Gas to serve the Public Schools and Downtown Area."

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-140 approving Option Agreement and Permitting Agreement with John W. Wardwell and the Town of Bucksport regarding the extension of Broadway and Park Street

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-140 contingent on approval of Nursing Home and Assisted Living Facility.

9. Proceed to budget workshop for the following:

- a. Debit Service
  - Town's portion of Sewer Debt Service (\$15,412)
- b. Cemeteries
  - No increases or decreases in Cemetery Care
- c. Community and Social Service Agencies
  - Several Representatives from Community and Social Service Agencies reviewed their request and answered questions.
  - Council members reviewed all budget requests for Community and Social Service Agencies.

10. Discussion items

Byron Vinton suggested to the council that they come up with a short list of goals for the Town Manager to accomplish during his first six months.

Belle Ryder agreed the Town Manager needed something to achieve. Also Belle Ryder inquired about the Town's newsletter. Traditionally, Roger Raymond, Town Manager wrote the articles, gave them to David Milan, Economic Development Director for editing and publishing. Belle Ryder volunteered to write about the School budget, David Milan, Natural Gas and Michael Brennan, Fireworks Ordinance, State Route 46 and introduce himself as the Town Manager.

11. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson and Belle Ryder. Member Absent: Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve meeting minutes of April 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 as presented.

4. Proclamation awarding Boston Cane to Dorothy A. Brooks

Pastor Peter Remick, also Senior Citizen Director introduced the nominee for the Boston Post Cane, Dorothy A. Brooks and presented Dorothy A. Brooks with the Town of Bucksport Boston Post Cane.

Mayor David Keene read the proclamation awarding the Boston Post Cane to Dorothy A. Brooks in honor of being the oldest resident of Bucksport.

5. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  - a. Public Hearing Notice regarding CDBG program
    - Notifying residents of Bucksport that a public hearing is being held at the Town Council meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup> for the purpose of the CDBG program to construct a new water storage tank to replace an existing tank located off McDonald Street.
  - b. Silver Lake Project
    - David Milan spoke of the Silver Lake project, and commented that he felt the rules changed in mid-stream.
    - Town Manager will take this up under Town Manager's report.
    - Byron Vinton would like to see the project move forward.
6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-147 to approve the grant application for the 2012 Safe Harbor Improvement Program (SHIP) application

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-147.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-148 referring the request for Maine Water Company tax exemption to the Finance Committee

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-148.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-149 to accept the 2012 JAG (Justice Assistance Grant)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-149.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-150 to refer to the Finance Committee a request for a contribution towards a match for the Orland Dam and River Impoundment study

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-150.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-134 referring to the Sewer Committee a request from the Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club to lease a portion of the sludge site for a shooting and archery range

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-134.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-151 to approve the grant application for the New Freedom Program (MDOT)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-151.

12. Consider issuing licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Richard Bowden, f/b/o American Legion Post #93, Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 28, 2012 at 4:00 P.M.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, f/b/o Bucksport Bay Festival, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Jennifer Pappas, d/b/a Crosby's Drive Inn.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for William Carrier, Jr., d/b/a Carriers Mainely Lobster.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Lawrence Wahl, d/b/a Wahl's Dairy Mart/The Dairy Port.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Greg & Leslie Wilson, d/b/a Beechwood Farm.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Carol Metthe, d/b/a Bittersweet Gift Shop.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Luciano Lima, d/b/a Bucksport Donuts, LLC "Dunkin Donuts".

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Claire Jamieson, d/b/a Priscilla's.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Wayne Hand, d/b/a Bucksport Golf Club.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Nancy Williams, d/b/a Nance's Crackers.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Jin Ming Chen, d/b/a Ming's Garden.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Edmund Wood, d/b/a Wood's Seafood.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Joe Rego, d/b/a Clearwater Seafood of Maine.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Dino Kisamitakis, d/b/a Bucksport House of Pizza.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Douglas & Linda Quagliaroli, d/b/a McDonald's of Bucksport.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Hannaford Bros. Co., d/b/a Hannaford Supermarket #8152.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Mac/s Convenience Store, LLC, d/b/a Circle K #7060.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Kathryn Patterson, d/b/a Kathryn Patterson Bakery.

Hold public hearing on the application of William Carrier, Jr., d/b/a Carriers Mainely Lobster for renewal of a fulltime Liquor License.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve William Carrier, Jr., d/b/a Carriers Mainely Lobster for renewal of a fulltime Liquor License.

13. Hear Town Manager's Report

**Bangor Gas Extension:**

-Construction bids are due to BGC by May 18, 2012. We are hopeful, to something firm from BCG by April 23<sup>rd</sup>. If the town can get a written agreement from BCG that the Contribution in Aid of Construction will not exceed \$250,000 the council can move on the project without taking it to referendum.

**CDBG Housing Assistance Grant:**

-The grant application was submitted on May 4<sup>th</sup>. We are awaiting formal approval.

**Jed Prouty Project:**

-Work is progressing along. The second of three requests for funds has been distributed. The final pay estimate will be dispersed once the furnace is installed and other required work including the retaining wall, front porch, trim work and separating storm water from sewage is complete. New windows in the front of the building are going in this week. The Chambers hope to have the porch and the entire front façade complete before the end of June.

**Nursing Home Project:**

-Last week, the council approved the agreement. The option agreement to allow the Town to purchase land will be presented for approval at the next meeting. It has been reviewed and updated by legal counsel. John Wardwell and his attorney have approved the changes. At next week's meeting there will be a resolve to approve an addition allocation of \$4,500 for storm water permits not including in the initial proposal. We are currently in negotiations over the extension of water and sewer services to the project. The Town will extend services for the portion of roadway it is developing. The developer should be responsible for the remainder.

**Public Infrastructure CDBG – Water Tank:**

-A public hearing is scheduled for May 31, 2012. The agreement approved by the council on May 3<sup>rd</sup> is signed by Ron Harriman and the Town Manager. It will be forwarded to Maine Water for signature. Ron Harriman has prepared the paperwork and will be responsible for the Phase II material and will administer the grant during the final phase. Maine Water will pay consultant fees of \$15,000 - 100% of the \$500,000 grant will be used for construction.

**2012 SHIP Grant:**

-Council approved the grant application on May 3. The work will include a 60 foot extension of the town dock along with a new three cluster pile and additional braces for two existing cluster piles. The application is due in June.

**Silver Lake Project:**

-The state conducted a site visit on May 2. Everything looks good from its perspective. The grant will be completed and submitted before the June 21<sup>st</sup> deadline. There is one issue that has come up. The town has done considerable site preparation work in advance of state support. It was Rogers understanding that this work would count towards our required match. In speaking with George Powell, any work done before the grant is awarded will not be eligible to count for our required match. I have directed that all work be stopped on the project pending grant approval. There is still considerable work to be done, especially at the kayak launch.

**Safe Schools Routes:**

-Grant to be submitted on May 11<sup>th</sup>. This grant will extend the sidewalk along Broadway from the High School to Bucksport Square Apartments. This work will be done in conjunction with the Bangor Gas line work if that goes through. A related grant will improve two crosswalks on Main Street: One near the Post Office and the second at Hincks Street. This grant is also due May 11<sup>th</sup>.

14. Discussion items

a. Department Reports

-Council members received copies of Departmental Reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.

b. Treasurer's Report

-Council members received copies of Treasurer's Report and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Finance Director.

c. Community and Social Service Agency budget recommendations

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve funding for Buck Memorial Library in the amount of \$14,000.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Belle Ryder and voted to approve funding for Snowmobile Club in the amount of \$1,529.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, and Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Byron Vinton

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Belle Ryder and voted to approve funding for Fort Knox in the amount of \$1,800.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Byron Vinton

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding for Circus Band in the amount of \$300.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding for Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$11,500.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and voted to approve funding for Memorial Day in the amount of \$400.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeffrey Robinson Belle Ryder.

Opposed: David Keene

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve funding for Conservation Commission in the amount of \$300.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder.

Opposed: David Keene

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve funding for Penobscot Consortium in the amount of \$2,500.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding for Washington-Hancock CAP in the amount of \$900.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve funding for Child and Family Opportunities in the amount of \$2,000.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Byron Vinton

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve funding for Bucksport Community Concern in the amount of \$4,500.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding for Downeast Transportation in the amount of \$3,592.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve no funding for Eastern Area Agency on Aging.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve funding for Bucksport Child Care Center in the amount of \$2,000.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding for Bucksport Healthy Communities Coalition in the amount of \$7,600.

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve funding for Senior Citizens' Group in the amount of \$2,500.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve no funding for Hancock County Home Care & Hospice.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve no funding for Downeast Health Services.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve funding for Yesterday's Children in the amount of \$300.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve funding for Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County in the amount of \$750.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve no funding for Community Health & Counseling Services.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve no funding for Hammond Street Senior Center.

d. Newsletter items

-All newsletter items need to be forwarded to the Town Manager by, Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM.

e. Administrator goals

-Councilors suggested some of their own goals as follows:

Belle Ryder suggested the continuation of pursuing the proposal of a nursing home, and to continue pursuing grants.

Jeffrey Robinson suggested keeping focused on the already projects in progress to completeness, and the Town Manager develop some of his own ideas for the Town.

David Keene suggested the Town look in to purchasing the old dilapidated H & R Block building on Main Street for future parking lot; and to continue pursuing funds

to complete the town owned parking lot of the former Nason property behind Sheehan's flower shop.

David Kee feels it is time that the town helps the Center for the Performing Arts and The Alamo Theater to make it a more valuable asset in Bucksport's cultural scene.

Byron Vinton suggested meeting with every town department head and every town employee; continue repairs on the historic fire station that needs to be completed; and pursue purchasing videotaping system at the Jewett School Community Center to film meetings and other activities to be put on the cable access channel.

Michael Ormsby suggested contacting MMA to find out if they have a structure evaluation form for Town Manager's position.

- f. Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.
- g. Sewer Committee meeting on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

#### 15. Adjournment

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene and Belle Ryder. Members Absent: Michael Ormsby, Jeffrey Robinson and Robert Howard.
3. Hear presentation from Town Manager regarding the proposed budget

Town Manager briefly reviewed the overall budget being proposed at \$11,024,873 which reflects an increase of \$246,611 or 2.29%. Total proposed revenues include increase in property Tax for Schools at \$314,490, or 5.78% and municipal at \$83,870 or 3.54%.

4. Proceed to set the preliminary budgets for 2012-2013
  - a. Set appropriation for social and community service
    - Citizen Oliva Jacques spoke in favor of changing the cemetery account amount that was proposed from \$400 to \$600.
    - Social and Community Service appropriations were all approved at the May 10<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting.
  - b. Set appropriations for general accounts as needed
    - Action was already taken for general accounts at the May 10<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting.
  - c. Set salaries and wages for non-contractual employees
    - Salaries and Wages for non-contractual employees represent a 3% increase beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - d. Set preliminary appropriations for the capital improvements
    - Town Manager indicated that the proposed appropriation for the Capital Improvements is \$543,500.
  - e. Set preliminary budget

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to set the proposed preliminary municipal budget at \$5,266,798 a decrease of (\$67,879) or (-1.27%) over 2011-2012 municipal budget.

- f. Set sewer operating budget

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to set the proposed preliminary sewer operating budget at \$504,245; an increase of \$7,532 or 1.52%.

5. Discussion items

David Kee commented that he is hearing favorable comments on the Town of Bucksport newsletter.

Town Manager noted receiving a letter of Thanks for the financial support from the Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County.

6. Adjournment

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER, BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard. Member Absent: Michael Ormsby.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

No minutes to be considered.

4. Hold public hearing to consider Public Infrastructure Grant Programs to construct a new water storage tank to replace an existing tank located off McDonald Street

Ron Harriman, Ron Harriman Associates will file an application with the Department of Economic and Community Development for a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$500,000 to construct a new water storage tank to replace an existing tank located off McDonald Street. The new water storage tank will be made of steel and slightly larger than the existing tank.

Ron Harriman answered several questions from council members and citizens, such as where the tank would be located on the property; and if the larger tank would increase water pressure, etc.

Ron Harriman indicated that the tank would be constructed beside the existing tank, and would not so much increase the water pressure but rather stabilize the water flow.

5. Close public hearing and act on Resolve #R-2012-165 to approve a resolution to proceed with the application to the Department of Economic and Community Development

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-165.

6. Review of the town budget, capital improvement plan and sewer operating budget

Town Manager noted that the town budget is not finalized to date; still waiting for the value dollar amount on Verso Paper Mill. However, the capital improvement plan and sewer operating budgets were reviewed in detail during the preliminary budget hearing and noted no changes.

7. Hold public hearing to consider the Capital Improvement Plan, proposed Municipal Budget and the Sewer Operating Budget for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

Town Manager noted that all employee salary increased by 3%, and sewer rates were being increased by 2%.

8. Close public hearing and consider Resolve #R-2012-152 approving salaries and wages for non-contractual employees for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-152.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, and Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-153 adopting the Capital Improvement Plan for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-153.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-154 adopting the Town Budget for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to table Resolve #R-2012-154.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-155 adopting the Sewer Operating Budget for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-155.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-156 setting Sewer User Rate for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-156.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder.

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-157 setting date when taxes are due and payable

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-157.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-158 setting interest to be paid for taxes unpaid

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-158.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-159 setting interest to be paid for overpayment of taxes

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Belle Ryder and voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-159.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-160 regarding prepayment of taxes and rate of interest

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-160.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-161 contract pavement needs for the 2012 construction season

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-161.

18. Consider Resolve #R-2012-162 for request from Central Maine Power Company for pole permit

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-162.

19. Consider Resolve #R-2012-163 approve an agreement with Pine Tree Engineering for services rendered related to the 2012 SHIP Grant

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-163.

20. Consider Resolve #R-2012-164 referring to Ordinance Committee proposed amendments to the Bucksport Town Code, Chapter 5 Building Standards & Property Maintenance

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-164.

21. Consider issuing permits or licenses, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Andrew Lacher d/b/a Bookstacks, Inc.

It was motioned by Robert Howard., seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Herald Duke, Jr., d/b/a Duke Family Farm.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Wayne Hand, d/b/a Bucksport Golf Club.

It was motioned by Belle Ryder, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Leadbro LLC, d/b/a Harbor View Grille.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for George MacLeod, d/b/a MacLeod's Restaurant.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and voted to approve Victualer License for Dale Tozier, d/b/a Tozier's/Bucksport Variety.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder

Opposed: Robert Howard  
Vote: Favorable 5 - 1

22. Discussion items

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to take up two (2) items not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to appoint Kathy L. Downes as Election Warden for the June 12, 2012 Primary, Municipal Referendum and RSU#25 Budget Validation Election.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Maine Water Company for an extension of the property tax exemption for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2017.

Ordinance Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Council members received copy of a letter from DECD congratulating the Town of Bucksport on being selected as a Certified Business Friendly Community. Mayor David Keene, David Milan, Economic Development Director and George Hanson will attend the ceremony in Augusta to receive the award from Governor LePage on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 10:00 AM

Council members received letter of thanks from the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce for the Town of Bucksport continued financial support.

Council members received letter from Barbara Ames, Youth Program Coordinator, and Bucksport Parks & Recreation thanking the Police Department for their continued support with the Bucksport Youth Diversion Program.

David Milan received letter from MDOT notifying the Town of Bucksport has been selected for the New Freedom – Improve Access to Transit – 2012 Grant. This grant would fund Crosswalk project located at Main Street/Town Dock; and Crosswalk project located at intersection of US Route 1 and Hink's Street.

Town Manager reported meeting with Stephen DeWick, Pine Tree Engineering, Inc. regarding update on the painting of the town dock float piles. Stephen DeWick will be contacting MDOT Multimodal Program in hopes to obtain some answers to this ongoing problem.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by David Keene, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to nominate Byron Vinton to the MMA Policy Legislature Committee.

Town Manager reported that R.H. Smith, auditing company would begin audit process on June 18th.

Also, Town Manager suggested that next year the Town might want to seek competitive bids for audit.

Citizen Frank Dunbar asked if the town could place parking signs at the Silver Lake Boat Landing parking lot so the public would use the parking lot. Also an update with regards to the Bucksmills Rod and Gun Club proposed land to be used as their shooting range, the club plans to use a ground radar detector to search the property for the cemetery.

Councilor David Kee indicated that it is important to know that the School Department is getting a lot less support of State and Federal funds to operate schools.

Citizen Oliva Jacques spoke in favor of bringing Natural Gas into the Town of Bucksport

Fire Chief/Director of Emergency Services, Craig Bowden noted receiving two bids with regards to a new Fire Truck ranging in price from \$297,000 to \$307,000.

23. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Belle Ryder and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene, Jeffrey Robinson, Belle Ryder and Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

No minutes of previous meetings to be considered.

4. Receive and review correspondence and documents

- a. Bangor Gas

-Town Manager reported that Bangor Gas and the Town of Bucksport is still not in agreement with amount of money it will cost to bring natural gas to Bucksport. The residents approve the referendum question on the June ballot to spend up to \$300,000 on the project. However, the initial amount of \$240,000 figure that Bangor Gas had initially asked the town for in late May has grown to an estimated amount of approximately \$290,000. Then on June 1<sup>st</sup>, the Town Manager received a letter from Jonathan Kunz, Manager of Marketing & Sales for Bangor Gas indicating the cost to construct the regulation station was double the amount of their estimate. The change is the estimated Contribution In Aid of Construction (CIAC) that would be needed from the Town of Bucksport is now at \$490,000. Bangor Gas indicated in their letter that officials were looking at ways to lower that figure.

- b. 2012 CDBG Community Enterprise Grant Program

-The Office of Community Development is inviting the Town of Bucksport into the project development phase of the application process and will reserved \$150,000 for the town's project. This invitation is not a guarantee of funding or permission to begin the project or expend funds for proposed project activities.

5. Request to address the Town Council from Mark Pierce of "Paper Talks"

Mark Pierce, Associate of Paper Talks Magazine indicated the 2012 "Paper Talks" Magazine Seaboard Edition is in the process and inquiring if the Town of Bucksport is interested in purchasing an Ad at the same price as last year.

Council Members are very interested in purchasing an Ad and will let Mark Pierce know at the final budget meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2012-154 Adopting the town budget for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

Town Manager reported a decrease in the Municipal Budget of (\$67,879) or 1.27%, with an increase in the School Budget of \$314,490 or 5.78% with an overall total Budget at \$246,611 or 2.29%.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Jeffrey Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-154.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2012-166 to refer to Ordinance Committee amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-166.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2012-167 accept a proposed contract for professional services related to the creation of an outdoor classroom as part of a wetland mitigation project for the Park Street (First Atlantic) improvement project

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-167 indicating on the resolve what account the cost of this service will be paid from.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2012-168 to approve the grant application for the Silver Lake Improvement project

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-168.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2012-169 to accept the low bid for the annual purchase of culvert pipe

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-169.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2012-170 to consider the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Bucksport and the Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition

Mary Jane Bush, Bucksport Health Planning Director indicated that this Memorandum of Understanding was already approved this spring, but need to change the date to read July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>.

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-170.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2012-171 to approve the Partial Release Deed between the Town of Bucksport and Chambers Realty LLC in regards to the Jed Prouty project

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-171.

13. Consider issuing licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Janet Bennett, d/b/a Etna Management, Inc. (Ice Cream Truck).

It was motioned by Jeffrey Robinson, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for John Russell, III, d/b/a Subway Sandwiches & Salads.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Bucksport Abloom, f/b/o Bucksport Garden Club.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Vessel Liquor License f/b/o American Cruise Lines, Inc.

14. Hear Town Manager's Report

**Bangor Gas Extension:** The voters did approve the referendum to spend up to a total of \$300,000 for Contribution in Aid of Construction. Unfortunately, Bangor Gas original estimates are off by a considerable amount. The total Contribution in Aid of Construction is estimated to be as high as \$490,000. Bangor Gas is looking at ways to lower that cost. The hope is to have some ideas about where to proceed towards the end of June. However, if they are unable to find \$190,001.00 in savings, the town will have to consider other options.

**CDBG Housing Assistance Grant:** The grant application was submitted on May 4. This will provide financial assistance to owners to rehab lower income housing. We are still awaiting formal approval.

**Downtown Redevelopment CDBG Enterprise Grant:** We received confirmation that we received the grant from DECD on Friday June 8. This grant is for waterfront walkway improvements including a large medallion and lighting on the Western section of the walkway. Preliminary design is complete.

**First Atlantic Nursing Home:** A Public Hearing was held to consider the Certification of Need on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Both, those in support and those against the project were well represented. Public comment is being taken until around June 28. The Department of Human Services will announce their decision sometime after that. Other work in town is

progressing. The Council is to consider work on the outdoor educational classroom at the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are still waiting on the state for a decision regarding our proposal for wetlands mitigation. Once that question is answered, we can move forward.

**Jed Prouty Project:** Jake Chambers is looking to refinance his loan. The town is currently subordinate to the bank; we would remain subordinate in any refinance. Mr. Chambers has requested access to funds designated for the heating system and other improvements. He was told, the dollars were earmarked for specific improvements and it would not be in the taxpayers' interests to risk those dollars for other nonessential expenses.

**MDOT New Freedom Handicapped Access Grant:** We received confirmation that Bucksport has been awarded this grant. It required no matching funds, and virtually no participation on our part. MDOT schedules the work, completes all the work, and manages the grant process. We simply apply and provide the space. Unsure when work is expected to begin.

**Public Infrastructure CDBG – Water Tank:** A public hearing was held May 31, 2012. All agreements and necessary paperwork should be approved and in place. The project is underway and work should be completed by December 31, 2012.

**Maine Water request for tax exemption:** Finance committee met on May 17 to discuss the request. The Committee recommendation is to have a new agreement drawn up to present to the council that reflects changes in values since the original 1997 agreement. We will also rectify the issue that an agreement was never approved in 2002, yet Maine Water continued to receive an exemption. Lee Bragg has been contacted and is working on the agreement. We hope to have it ready by June 28 meeting. It will include a requirement that by receiving an exemption, Maine Water has passed on a savings to consumers. The committee recommended a five year agreement.

**Orland Dam:** No updates on this. Waiting on word from Orland on how they plan to proceed.

**Route 46 work:** Voters approved the Referendum on June 12. We will be moving forward, requesting bids from engineers for project design work, etc. in the coming weeks.

**Rod and Gun Club:** Sewer Committee met to consider their request. The only major concern expressed was the potential for a cemetery somewhere on the land. A potential site for the cemetery has been identified. Depending upon how that location might interfere with the Rod and Gun Club, we have options to either determine if the cemetery is located where some believe it is, or to avoid that potential site altogether and install some sort of barrier to keep people off that land.

**2010 SHIP Grant:** The issue with the paint remains. No side is willing to admit fault. Fortunately the State has chosen to become involved. At this point, we are waiting on a review by the state. There are materials in the packet related to this issue

**2012 SHIP Grant:** No updates. The Council approved the grant application on May 3. The work will include a 60 foot extension of the town dock along with a new cluster pile and additional braces for two existing cluster piles. The application is due August 3.

**Silver Lake Project:** Nothing new to report. The grant application is due at the end of June. We are submitting costs incurred to date in hopes that the state will count all of these expenses as part of our in-kind contribution towards match. George Powell stated that any work done before the grant is awarded would not count towards the match. It was Rogers understanding that this work would count towards our required match. In hopes there is some consideration of this work, we have collected those expenses, and will be submitting them to the State with the application. There is still considerable work to be done, especially at the kayak launch.

**Home to School (Safe Schools Routes) Grant:** This grant will extend the sidewalk along Broadway front the high school to Bucksport Square Apartments. This work will be done in conjunction with the Bangor Gas line work if that goes through. This grant is due August 3.

## 15. Discussion items

### a. Department Reports

-Council members received copies of Departmental Reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.

### b. Treasurers Report

-Council members received copies of Treasurer's Report and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager of Finance Director.

### c. Update on request from Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club to lease a portion of the sludge site for a shooting and archery range

-Sewer Committee met to consider Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club request and only one major concern was expressed; a potential cemetery located on the land, somewhere. However, a potential site for the cemetery has been identified. The Town could opt to either determine if the cemetery is located where some people believe it is, or to avoid that potential site altogether and install some sort of barrier to keep people off that area of the land.

### d. Town Manager review process

-Council Members requested researching evaluation forms to be used to evaluate the Town Manager's position. Town Manager distributed copies of the forms to Council Members for reviewing and bring back their suggestion at the next council meeting.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to take up an item not on the agenda regarding ambulance staffing.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to refer new written policies regarding ambulance staffing to the Finance Committee.

Councilor Robert Howard requested anyone wishing to speak at the town council meetings, to please come up to the podium so citizens at home can hear.

Councilor Byron Vinton, along with Michael Ormsby expressed their frustration by recent RSU 25 School Board's budgeting decisions. Byron suggested to the council to direct Town Manager to consult with the town's legal counsel and find out what it would take for Bucksport to withdraw from the RSU.

Councilor Belle Ryder indicated that she does not mind investigating this issue, but the council's irritation with the school budget is not a new issue.

Mayor David Keene cautioned that withdrawing from the RSU would likely be an expensive venture, and said the school budget is a tough thing. If the public is not happy with the school board, Bucksport holds four out of eight seats than one way people can possibly change the school budget is at the ballot box.

Belle Ryder acknowledged that school board members are elected by the public, but said board membership often represents who is willing to serve and not necessarily who's best to serve.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to send the use and sale of consumer fireworks to the Ordinance Committee.

Ordinance Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office to discuss General Assistance, Consumer Fireworks and Building Codes.

Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office to discuss Ambulance staffing.

16. Vote to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personal pursuant to 1MRSA Section 405 (6) (A)

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to move into executive session at 8:30 P.M.

If was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to return to Town Council meeting at 8:55 P.M.

17. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012**  
**TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER – BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor David Keene called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, David Keene and Robert Howard. Members Absent: Jeffrey Robinson and Belle Ryder.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings

No minutes to be considered.

4. Open Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to ban the use and sale of “consumer fireworks”

Town Council members were split on banning the use and sale of “consumer fireworks”, but Police and Fire chief have advocated on using or selling fireworks. Several citizens spoke in favor of banning the use and sale of “consumer fireworks”.

5. Close Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to ban the use and sale of “Consumer Fireworks”

Public Hearing closed.

6. Consider an Ordinance to ban the use and sale of “Consumer Fireworks”

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted to approve Ordinance to ban the use and sale of “Consumer Fireworks” as presented.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee and David Keene

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

7. Open Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to amend the General Assistance program for the Town of Bucksport

Town Manager reported the only change to the General Assistance program is the 10% reduction amount a person is able to receive for housing.

8. Close Public Hearing to consider an ordinance to amend the General Assistance program for the Town of Bucksport

Public Hearing closed.

9. Consider an Ordinance to amend the General Assistance program for the Town of Bucksport

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Ordinance to amend the General Assistance program for the Town of Bucksport.

10. Open Public Hearing to consider an ordinance amending the town code, Chapter 5 Building Standards & Property Maintenance – TABLED

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to table public hearing.

11. Close Public Hearing to consider an ordinance amending the town code, Chapter 5 Building Standards & Property Maintenance – TABLED

Public Hearing tabled.

12. Consider an Ordinance amending the town code, Chapter 5 Building Standards & Property Maintenance – TABLED

Citizen Barbara Bailey-Schmidt asked if older homes were being grandfathered. Jeffrey Hammond, Code Enforcement Officer indicated only if existing building under new construction would be required to be brought up to code.

13. Consider Resolve #R-2012-172 to amend the town budget and set the mill rate for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and voted that Resolve #R-2012-172 to amend the town budget and set the mill rate for the period 7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013.

Vote In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee and David Keene

Opposed: Robert Howard

Vote: Favorable 4 - 1

14. Consider Resolve #R-2012-173 to approve a 20 year lease between Stanford Management and the Town of Bucksport for the Bucksport Senior Center

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-173.

15. Consider Resolve #R-2012-174 to approve the sale of a 1995 GMC 3500 dump truck to Alan Farnsworth

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-174.

16. Consider Resolve #R-2012-175 to authorize expenditures from undesignated fund balances for personnel costs to assist with the scanning of records, technical training and other technology needs at the town office

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-175.

17. Consider Resolve #R-2012-176 to authorize the expenditures of funds for personnel costs to assist with the Assessor's office

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2012-176.

18. Discussion items

- a. Update on request from Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club to lease a portion of the sludge site for a shooting and archery range  
-No major updates as of now. Town Manager reported a site visit to the potential Cemetery location.  
Councilor David Kee indicated his concerns with the citizen's report on the potential Cemetery.  
The Sewer Committee will be meeting soon, and will report back their findings to the Council.
- b. Update on Changes to Emergency Services and Fire Staffing  
-Town Manager reported Finance Committee met with Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief on the changes to Emergency Services and Fire Staff. However, another meeting is required to review additional changes the Fire Chief is making.
- c. Update on the ordinance amending the town code, Chapter 5 Building Standards & Property Maintenance  
-Town Manager reported the Ordinance Committee met, changes were made and needs to be introduced at a Town Council meeting.
- d. Update on request for information regarding withdrawing from the RSU  
-Town Manager distributed copies of newspaper articles on information pertaining to several towns/cities inquiring about the process of withdrawing from the RSU. Superintendent of Schools, Jim Boothby cautioned the council about the expense of withdrawing from the RSU, and indicated that the process takes approximately two years.
- e. Donation Request – Gas Pump Test

-Town Manager reported receiving a letter from City Manager of Rockland requesting \$100.00 donation to be used to pay the cost of purchasing liquid metering equipment

-It was council consensus to seek opinion from Public Works Director, Duane Nadeau with regards to donation toward purchase of liquid metering equipment.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to take-up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve funding in the amount of \$850 for advertisement in the "Paper Talks" Magazine, and charge this amount to the contingency expense account.

f. Town Manager review process

-Town Manager review process will be sent to the Appointments Committee for discussion and bring back recommendation to the council.

g. 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Assistance (HA) program

-Town Manager reported that the Town of Bucksport was not selected to be reviewed for a 2012 CDBG Housing Assistance program award this year.

h. Consider issuing licenses and permits, if any

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Jay Feldman, d/b/a Black Sheep Tavern.

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Tom Sweet, f/b/o Bucksport Historical Society.

i. Sewer Committee meeting on Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Appointments Committee meeting on Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

j. Citizen Cindy Christopher spoke of her concerns with the Bucks Mills Rod and Gun Club shooting range and indicated she was not the only concerned citizen.

19. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,\

Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary