Peru Select Board Meeting Minutes March 1, 2017

Present: Gail Acosta, Chuck Black, Patrick Berry, Wayne Blanchard, Jill Braddish, Barbara Petra

Meeting Called to Order: Gail called meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Review/Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting: Chuck made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 15, 2017 meeting; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

Request to Change Agenda/Public Comment: None.

New Business

Kelton Family Community Fund: Patrick Berry from The Vermont Community Foundation came to explain the fund. He explained that the foundation acts as a conduit for charitable giving to support non-profits grant programs. The Kelton fund is being established to support economic development, provide leadership to individuals, youth activities, Town beautification and any other need that comes before the committee for consideration for the benefit of the Town of Peru. One consideration that Art Kelton has requested is that lease/maintenance of the post office to be practically taken care of. A committee of 3 members will be established, with Art acting as chair and two additional members selected by Art and Todd Williams.

Old Business

Personnel Policy: Discussion was tabled regarding the personnel policy because Todd was not in attendance.

Road Foreman Report: Roads are muddy. Logging has ceased till the roads freeze again. Moss Brook logging is complete. Sap people started. The road crew will do some filling and patching of North Road. The International truck will be serviced due to an emission recall and general maintenance on trucks will be completed in house. They have stock piled gravel material.

Other Business

Private Road: A petition was given to the Select Board to have Rock Bottom Lane become a public/town road. According to State Statutes and Town policy, it was determined that the homeowners on Rock Bottom Lane are required to bring the road up to specifications before the Select Board can consider the request. The Select Board will follow up with communication to the interested party/parties.

TV/Media: Gail reported that the sound for the town's TV is not sufficient and would like to add a sound bar or speakers to the existing equipment. Gail made a motion to spend the remaining funds allotted to this project to purchase a sound bar or set of speakers for the media equipment; no second; motion denied.

Sconi Trl Pvt Sign: Paul Bernasconi has asked the Town to facilitate in purchasing a new street sign for the end of his driveway. Paul will pay the Town for the cost and install the sign on his own. He has been advised that his 9-1-1 address remains 935 South Road and the private sign is for reference only.

Review Bills and Approve Payments: The bills were reviewed and payment of bills was approved.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Petra Assistant Town Clerk Peru, VT