

## **Peru Selectboard Meeting Minutes September 6, 2017**

**Present:** Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Bob Stelz, Fran Tobia, Sara Zaino, Wayne Blanchard, Donna Williams, and Jill Braddish.

**Meeting Called to Order:** Todd called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**Review and Approve Minutes:** Gail made a motion to accept the minutes as adjusted; Todd seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**Request to Change Agenda/Public Comment:** Todd would like to add Fran Tobia to the agenda to discuss the Peru Fair. Bob Stelz would like to comment on grading and mowing Pierce Rd. and questioned the status of the tree to be cut down at the end of the road. Todd responded that the Selectboard agreed on the scope of the work and it is scheduled to be done this year.

### **New Business:**

**Sara Zaino:** Sara expressed her concerns regarding the continual burning of trash and waste by Rowland. She feels that this is a health and safety issue and his actions are putting her family's well being in jeopardy. She is not satisfied with the time it is taking to resolve this problem and would like to know the steps that the Town is taking regarding this issue. She has taken it upon herself to consult a lawyer and Alicia Owens at the Rutland Regional Office of Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division. The Selectboard reassured Sara that the Town is working diligently to try and help with this matter and that efforts have been made by the State to contact Rowland. Todd encouraged Sara to call Patrick Lowkes, the state's enforcement officer, and will find a Town contact who is directly involved to answer her questions and concerns.

**Fran Tobia/Peru Fair:** Fran confirmed with the Selectboard that the road closed signs for the fair will be set off to the side the night before and that

the wagon should be stored in the Community House garage after the fair for convenience of moving it next year. Discussion ensued regarding the Peru Fair banners. Paul Meyers and Jim Mooney asked for permission to trim branches on South Rd so the banner is not blocked. The Selectboard suggested that they contact Wayne to do the work. Fran also wanted help hanging the banners. The Selectboard recommended she contact Chuck Black to see if the Fire Department could assist with this task. Fran inquired about the power and road work to be done on Main St. The power is on and Todd will make extra keys to the locks on the breakers for the day of the Fair. Wayne is aware of the road work to be done. Fran informed the Selectboard the pig roast will remain on the green and the Peru Fair Committee will re-seed after the fair.

### Old Business

**Town Painting Center Estimate:** The Selectboard received an estimate from Dibble Painters to repaint parts of the Town Center. The Selectboard will not act on the estimate but Todd will contact Tom regarding scheduling.

### Other Business

The old interior door to the Community Center was auctioned off and sold on Manchester Market Place.

**Road Foreman Report:** The Peru Fair wagon was moved and the old mower was sold. Wayne is receiving estimates on a new backhoe and prices for a trade in. The road crew is busy with grading, cleaning culverts, and cutting trees. Wayne will purchase sand from Jeff Yrsha up to the budgeted amount for the year. Missing street signs have been restored and all signs are in the process of being replaced and brought up to compliance. Trucks will be oiled for winter and plow frames will be put on.

**Review/Approve Bills for Payment:** The Selectboard viewed and approved all bills for payment.

**Adjournment:** Todd adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Braddish  
Assistant Clerk  
Town of Peru, VT