Peru Selectboard Meeting Minutes December 21, 2016

Present: Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Chuck Black, Margaret Cobb - Jeffrey Biasuzzi, Hal Wilkins

Meeting Called to Order: Todd called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Review / Approve Minutes: Chuck made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2016 meeting; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

Request to Change Agenda / Public Comment: Todd requested including a proposal from Dan Benton concerning Halstead Lane North.

New Business

Appropriation Requests: Barbara has been organizing a folder of 2017 appropriation requests for the Selectboard. It is at the discretion of the Selectboard to determine if the agency asking for funds provides services to the Town residents, therefore being a valid request. Peru has required a petition from a social service agency that has not had a request approved at the most recent annual town meeting signed by at least five percent of the voters on the checklist and filed with the Town Clerk.

Halstead Lane North: Dan Benton, homeowner on Halstead Lane North would like to discuss the possibility of converting and switching the road from a class 4 highway to a private road. After a brief discussion the board decided more clarification was required, so Todd will invite Mr. Benton to the next Selectboard meeting.

Old Business

Zoning Administrator Update: The board interviewed two additional candidates, Jeffrey Biasuzzi at 6:45pm and Hal Wilkins at 7:30pm. Both gentlemen had previously been involved in land transactions and development and are currently Zoning Administrators for other Vermont towns. The Selectboard will warn a special meeting for Monday December 26, 2016 to discuss the applicants, review resumes and determine the candidate for the job.

Budget Discussion: The Selectboard continued to review and adjust the budget comparing actual to authorized items. This discussion will continue at the next board meeting.

Other Business

Road Foreman Report: Wayne was not able to attend the meeting. Todd reported that everything went well during the ice storm and the course winter sand is working great. Wayne and Brian did a great job keeping the roads clear.

Review Bills and Approve Payments: The Selectboard reviewed all the bills and approved payment.

Adjournment: Todd adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Cobb Peru Town Clerk