

Peru Selectboard Meeting Minutes February 3, 2016

Present: Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Fran Tobia, Laurie Gayda, Bob Stelz, Barbara Petra, Margaret Cobb

Call to Order: Todd called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Request to Change Agenda/ Public Comment: Margaret asked to include discussion on the Green Mountain National Forest schedule of proposed action.

Review/ Approve Minutes From Previous Meeting: Todd made a motion to amend the minutes under New Business, to 25 hours that Londonderry is considering hiring State Police. Under Old Business, the rebate Charlie applied for was for the propane heaters.

New Business:

Peru Fair Committee to Discuss Electrical Service: At the 2015 Peru Fair Laurie arranged for temporary electrical service for two downtown locations, one site was on the corner of the Town Green by the tree and the second position was at the base of the Peru Town Center. Sparky Electric installed the electrical equipment and Green Mountain Power put in meters. This allowed for wireless hot spot /internet access, so vendors could accept credit card payments using a card reader on their cell phones and /or iPads and electrical connections. The Peru Fair Committee would like to install permanent metered electrical panels at these two locations. Todd would like the Fair Committee to present the board with a proposal including costs, ideas, options and design of the electric boxes. Fran spoke with a Chester carpenter that built beautiful wood boxes for the electrical panels on the Chester Town Green. Barbara mentioned that an electrical panel is located at the top of the parking lot by the cemetery at the Town Center. Barbara would like to organize a Town Green Committee so a cohesive, overall plan for the green is discussed, created, and actualized. Fran and Gail agreed to be on the committee with Barbara.

Fran would also like the board to look at and level the south side of Main Street between Edna's rental house and the stone foundation where it seems to have sunk to a lower level.

Green Mountain Forest: Stacy Stratton and Colin Fisher from Green Mountain National Forest visited the Peru office and provided maps of the Pumphouse Stewardship Project along North Road, Savage Road and Mad Tom Notch Road, the Mad Tom Stewardship Project and a schedule of proposed action. He suggested a representative come and discuss the projects at the Town Meeting. The Selectboard agreed to a 15 minute presentation with questions and answers. Margaret will contact Stacy.

Certification of Compliance for Town Road and Bridges: The State regulates inventory and standards of bridges and roads every year. Todd made a motion to renew the Town's Certification of Compliance. Gail seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

VTrans Grant Application/ Highway Annual Financial Plan: The Town has two proposals for structure grants:

- 1) A box culvert on Little Michigan Road
- 2) Installing steel beam guard rails on Hapgood Pond Road near the Hapgood Pond Park exit also to including paving at the bottom of Hapgood Pond Road.

Old Business:

Town Garage: Kevin Felion completed the sheet rocking and a coat of primer has been applied.

Dangerous Tree: Both Todd and Wayne looked at the tree and believe the tree and limb are healthy and should not cause a problem.

Other Business:

VTrans: Todd asked Barbara to fill out the Town Contact information form. Barbara accepted.

Certificate of No Appeal or Suit Pending for Current Use: Jack Pennypacker asked the Board to review and sign this form. Task completed.

Road Foreman Report: Wayne was not present but Todd said everything is great.

Review Bills and Approve Payment: The Selectboard reviewed and approved all bills for payment.

Adjournment: Todd adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Cobb
Peru Town Clerk
Peru, VT