

Peru Selectboard Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2020

Present: Jon Mowry, Chuck Black, Todd Williams, Will Goodwin, Jennie Freeman

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

Review/Approve Minutes: Jon made a motion to approve minutes from the November 4, 2020 meeting. Chuck seconded. All in favor; motion approved.

Request to change Agenda

Two items added to New Business:

1. Winter Farmer's Market
2. Lawsuit from Birches Condo Association

Public Comment: none

Road Foreman Report: none

Discussion regarding the condition of North Rd. from Hapgood Pond Rd. to dirt. This stretch will be a salt reduction zone this winter.

New Business:

190 VT Rte. 11 – Discussion regarding zoning for this property. Was previously occupied as 3 or 4 apartments. House has been abandoned and therefore no longer grandfathered to be permitted for the same occupancy. Septic system needs to be inspected as well. To be further researched.

Winter Farmer's Market – A Peru resident had inquired about the possibility to host a farmer's market in the Town Hall building. The Selectboard has declined this due to Covid 19.

Lawsuit - The town is being sued by Birches Condo Assoc. Inc because we have a claim for back taxes on the property that they are trying to foreclose on.

2021 Budget Planning – The Selectboard reviewed and discussed the 2021 budget.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Harvesting Ash in Peru Town Forest - *Bennington County Forester has been identifying and marking trees to be removed before too damaged by Ash borer beetle. Town is going to inquire with interested companies and request bids to contract out the work.*

OTHER BUSINESS: None

REVIEW BILLS AND APPROVE PAYMENTS ADJOURNMENT: Selectboard viewed and approved bills for payment.

Jon adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennie Freeman

Peru Town Clerk