**TOWN OF PERU**

Selectboard Meeting

September 15, 2021

**Present:**  Jon Mowry, Chuck Black, Hope Richardson, Jane Worley, Wayne Blanchard, Elisa Donato, Nikki Wengerd, Barbara Petra

**Meeting Called to Order:** Jon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Review/Approve Minutes:** Jon made a motion to accept prior meeting minutes; Chuck seconded; motion passed.

**Request to Change Agenda:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Road Foreman Report:** Wayne reported there was repair on two trucks, there was a delivery of sand and crushed gravel has been ordered. Truck #3 was sold, road mowing is continuing, researching via Better Backroads grant available for Walt’s Camp work.

**New Business**

**Peru Farmers Market:** Hope Richardson would like to obtain permission to establish a farmers’ market on the Peru Green. Jon and Chuck voiced their concerns regarding, parking, trash maintenance and removal, toilet facilities and number of vendors. Hope was asked to present a plan addressing these issues and present additional information regarding days and times before the Selectboard could consider granting this request.

**ARPA Funding Neighborhood Connections:** The Town of Peru was awarded in excess of $53,000. from ARPA Covid relief funds. Elisa and Nikki were asking the Town to consider granting funds from this program to Neighborhood Connections. Jon said he would do his due diligent and let them know the outcome.

**Old Business**

**Playground Grant/Town Park:** Jane and Barbara reported that the Town of Peru was awarded a $7,773. Recreational Facilities Grant on September 8, 2021. Additionally, they advised that they would proceed with the paperwork necessary required by the State in securing the funds. Barbara will see if the garage space below the Community House is sufficient storage for proposed play equipment before proceeding with the order. Discussion continued on sending a survey and inviting residents for input on further development of the Town Green.

**Final Approval Town Forest Management Plan:** Chuck made a motion to approve the Forest Management Plan; Jon seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**Other Business:** Jack Pennypacker submitted Omission to Grand List in the amount of $3,400. regarding a parcel sold. Donna Williams requested approval of a transfer of $1,500. from General fund into the Equipment Reserve fund, account #810.

**Review Bills/Approve Payments:** All bills were reviewed and approved.

**Adjournment:** Jon adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Petra

Assistant Clerk

Town of Peru