**TOWN OF PERU**

Selectboard Meeting

Date January 19, 2022

**Present:** Jon Mowry, Chuck Black, Todd Williams (via Zoom), Barbara Petra, Lisa Cronin, Melinda Beebe

**Meeting Called to Order:** Jon called the meeting to order at 6:40PM

**Review/Approve Minutes:** Jon motioned that the previous minutes be accepted as written. Todd seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

**Request to Change Agenda**: None

**Public Comment:** None

**Road Foreman Report**: Todd advised that a member of the road crew is out with a family member with COVID but is currently healthy and a backup plan is in place if needed."

**New Business**: Jon made a motion to approve the liquor license for Bromley Market, Chuck seconded. All in favor, motion passed. Jon motioned that the overweight-fleet permit for Carroll Concrete be approved with the contingency that travel either begins or ends in Peru. Todd seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

 Discussion ensued as to what form our Town Meeting will take. Three options were available as an emergency statute has been signed by Gov. Scott.

1) In person meeting w/ floor votes

2) Voting by Australian Ballot.

3) Delay Town Meeting until warmer weather so that the meeting can be held outside and the possibility that the covid virus will be less of a threat.

Chuck made a motion that we vote on March 1st, with an informational meeting via Zoom on February 28th, Jon seconded. All in favor, motion passed. Jon motioned that Post cards will be sent out so that anyone can request an absentee ballot. Voting will take place on March 1st, in person at the town office. Polls will be open from 9 AM to 7 PM., Todd seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

 The selectboard discussed the warning for Town Meeting. Jon motioned that the warning be accepted as written, Chuck seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

 The selectboard reviewed the list of Town Offices and Terms.

**Old Business:** ARPA Funding update. Jon states that the VLCT has advised everyone to hold off on planning how to spend ARPA funds while they interpret some new regulation’s that were set forward by the Federal Government.

O**ther Business:** None

**Review Bills/Approve Payments:** The pay order was reviewed; all bills were approved for payment.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda M. Beebe

Town Clerk