

Present: Carol Roach, Larry Snowman, John Witherell, Wendy Henderson, Martha Witherell, Stephanie Woods, Vera Parent, Don Roach, Gail Belyea, and Kevin Taylor, Brad Hutchings.

Chairperson Carol Roach opened the special meeting at 6:10pm.

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### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Minutes – March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – John motioned to approve minutes with minor adjustments removing “to be used” adding “if necessary” in its place; Seconded by Wendy, All in Favor. Revised minutes will be sign at March 20, 2017 meeting.**

**Reading of Warrant #19 = \$ 159,952.26 John motions to approve payroll as written; Seconded by Larry; All in Favor. Larry motions to approve warrant #19 as written; Seconded by John; All in Favor.**

### **Action Items:**

**U.S. Cellular** –Representative Brian Allen phoned the office inquiring on the need for a permit to add 3 antennas to existing cell tower located on Teela Lane (map 15/Lot 44) not changing height. **Wendy motions to table until further review; Seconded by John; All in Favor.**

### **Elected Officials:**

**Road Commissioner** – Was not present and did not have anything new to report.

**Tax Collector/ Town Clerk/ Treasurer** – Vera informed the board members she re-invested CD's as they mature last week. She re-invested 50000.00 for 26 weeks, 50000.00 for 52 weeks, 50000.00 for 2 years @ .65%. She also informed the board the State will have one bond question on the ballot June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. She also informed that nomination papers are available. Vera spoke to the board members also of her considering early processing one day before the Election Day for absentee ballots. She would like to have the board's approval for her to try it out. Processing absentee's early will not save money; but also wouldn't cost more. Early processing does not mean counting only processing; results will not be revealed until after the election is over and all votes are counted. **John motions to authorize early processing for absentee ballots; Seconded by Wendy; All in Favor.** Winter Storm coming in and suppose to start in the morning. Board would like to wait to make a call in the morning. Nomination papers will be available until April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Fire Chief – Bill was not present and no new report was given.**

**Committee Reports-** Ordinance Committee members Martha and Kevin met with board members before the regular Select-Boards meeting in a workshop to discuss the progress of the revised ordinances the committee has been working on. Carol feels the Committee is doing a great job insuring the ordinance stay in the state statues and laws.

### **Selectmen's Business:**

**Carol** mentioned a concern after reading comments in the paper referring to the withdrawal of RSU# 10 from Towns that did not withdrawal requesting to not cooperate with ~~ASD~~ 56 to share resources.

**Public Hearing May 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm, located at Dirigo Elementary School in gymnasium has been approved.** Board members asked if Vera or Stephanie could verify with Richard Pickett if he could moderate the hearing if he is unable to attend as moderator, please contact John Madigan.

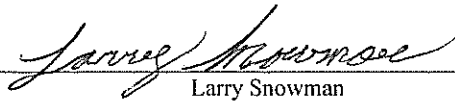
**Public Participation:** Gail asked John if he looked through the last warrant # 18 to verify why Vaughn and Son's was hired by the road commissioner for the last storm, John looked through the warrant in question to find the invoice, John read invoice to Gail from Vaughn's Invoice; 24 hours of loader time for pushing back the banks, loader bars, pulling out trucks. Carol states that the day in question the town's backhoe was broken and mechanics where there working on from Nortek.

**Larry motioned to adjourn; Seconded by John at 7:20 pm. All in favor.**

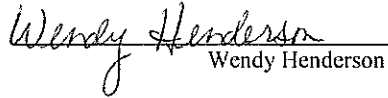
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March 13, 2017

  
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John Witherell

  
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**Minutes – February 27, 2017 – Wendy motions to approve minutes as written with the following minor correction, include Wendy as present at meeting and add an L to Carol's name; Seconded by John; All in Favor.**

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**Action Items: Building permit for Steven and Uldarica Chapman: Larry motions to approve permit; Seconded by Wendy; All in Favor.**

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**Elected Officials:**

**Road Commissioner** – Was not present and did not have anything new to report.

**Tax Collector/ Town Clerk/ Treasurer** – Vera had nothing new to report.

**Fire Chief** – Bill was not present and no new report was given.

**Committee Reports-** Finance Committee; Don reported the committee recommended “yes” to all articles but two, Article 13 Finance Committee recommends No and suggested to remove language in Article 13 “ If necessary“ ; **Larry makes a motion to take the language “to be used” out and modify to reaffirm Select-board’s recommendation to “Yes”; 3 to 1 opposed vote; motion passes.** Finance Committee also recommended “No” on the Med-Care Article 16; members feel it’s too much money. At this point Peru doesn’t have an option not to pay the Med-Care amount, although some of the Finance members feel if the voters see that they have voted “No” on recommendation; it’s a way to make a stand and the Town will seek other options.

**Ordinance Committee-** Kevin and Martha jointly give reports, they have some ordinances ready to go to attorney for recommendations. There are a few the committee would like to have the select-board look at with them and has asked the select-board to hold a workshop at 5pm before their regular meeting at 6pm on Monday, March 13, 2017. For some of the ordinances we don’t have to hurry to get them done for the voters in the June’s warrant because there is not any monies involved they can wait until Novembers vote. Kevin Taylor voiced some members of the committee has requested the ordinances being worked on should have two copies and a set should be held in a lock box so they are not missed placed. Have a chain of custody so to say. Kevin also states, CEO should also have a locked files located at this office as well. At times it may be necessary to go back to look at violations if anyone has questions/ concerns there would be access to them.

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**Selectmen's Business:**

**Delivery of salt and salt usage** was provided for informational use only.

**Garage Camera's** – there’s been problems with accessing the Playback feed from Stephanie’s computer, E.W. would supply a monitor at the Town Garage to access the playback if needed, the feed at this point cannot be accessed through Stephanie’s computer due to internet speed at the Garage. John feels having access of monitors at the Garage would also give anyone the ability to tamper with the feed. John feels strongly he would like to have E.W. Electric try to get the playback feed accessible through Stephanie’s computer. John says to please contact E&W to see what they can do and report back to the board next Monday at the meeting. Carol states she does not feel anyone of our Road Dept. members would tamper with the cameras or monitor.

**John-** reported feedback from Mid-Maine Waste Action RE: Letter rec’ 2/27/2017 – John states it was just informational, someone in Peru brought 4.4 tons of waste to the transfer station and paid for in cash.

**Mary Turner Bridge-** Carol informed the Board, she wrote a letter to D.O.T stating Peru does not have authority to move forward with project until after the citizen’s vote in June and that she would notify them as soon as she can after the vote.

**Carol-** informed the Board she had a personal email from Amanda Meador stating she has given her notice to our Attorney’s office and that Ted will continue to represent the town.

Carol also informed the board members she wrote letters to all residents living on the Knox Rd. concerning the torn down posted signs. Roger Knox still insist the road belongs to him and was always told it was by his father. Carol explained that without the proper documentation stating the road belonging to him; Carol explained the Town’s liability if something where to happen on the road and if emergency vehicles are not being able to access the road. Liability would fall on the Town for not maintaining the road. We should revisit discontinuing Road’s on one of the Agenda’s in the next few weeks.

**Public Participation:** Kevin stated there are programs that the town can download to access feed at the garage thru email and password protected as to who can view the footage. Gail asked status of Electronic sign, John states he's still waiting on quotes, he has one; but, wanted more options. He states they are expensive, but they do offer different sizes. Gail also requested a copy of salt usage.

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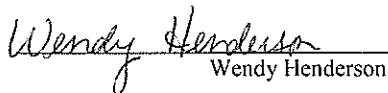
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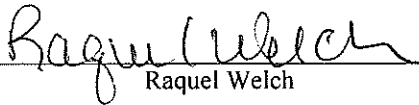
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