

Present: Kevin Taylor, John Witherell, Raquel Welch, Larry Snowman, Carol Roach, Gail Belyea, Martha Witherell, Brad Hutchings, Tyler McDonald, Valerie Taylor, Mary Pulsifer, Jim Pulsifer, Don Roach, Mark Irish, Phil Moser, Chris Childs, Dan Bernard, Dawna Kazregis, Mona White, Ed Patenaude, John Mackinnon, Pauline Mackinnon.

Chairperson Raquel Welch opened meeting at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes for August 8, 2017 --Carol motions to approve with the corrections; Seconded by John; All in Favor.

Action Items:

Special Meeting to push out date for first half of taxes; Larry motions to sign; Seconded by John; All in Favor.

Kevin motions to enter Executive Session under M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Personnel Matters @6:25pm; Seconded by John; All in Favor.

John motions to return to regular session @ 6:40pm; Seconded by Kevin; All in Favor.

Carol motions to accept with regrets Stephanie's resignation effective September 29th, 2017; Seconded by Larry; All in Favor.

Dawna Kazregis requested time to speak RE: administrative assistance hours Carol put vouchers in for five hours at \$10 an hour a week while Stephanie was out; Dawna questions Carols attendance to training and mileage being charged; also monies not spent for recreation department Carol bought swings instead of it going back into surplus; also Dawna points out concerns and asked if the board voted for Carol to negotiate monies from the Road Rally Organization and was mentioned at last week's meeting if Brad submitted a bill to the Road Rally Organization he could use it on the roads. Dawna asked if FPES was under a contract because she understood the board had voted not to enter a contract unless the attorney and insurance company had input on the terms of said contract. Kevin speaks in saying he motioned to extend the prier contract so the entities in FPES could resume until the Board came up with the new standards of a new contract. Dawna states in her opinion the Board is not acting in the best interest of the town. Dawna also questions if Carol has written any grants for FPES; Carol states she has only applied to the Tabitha King; none was written for FPES only for the AED after a man had a heart attack and lost his life; Carol states if we had an AED it could have been prevented. Dawna states that a lot of people aren't happy with things and how they are being handled; the Board would like for those people to attend meetings. Dawna stated that it would not be a good idea because of tempers and they would probably start shooting. Carol asked if that was a threat. A lot of discussion and questions. Raquel motions to take a ten minute break; after break Dawna stated she should have waited for the break down from Vera for the exact dates and totals. She states she will review information given to her and submit her concerns in writing.

Jim Pulsifer asks the Board to reconsider closing the roads that have people living on them; Jim states that under Statue Title 23. Jim says he advises the Board to do their research on this before closing winter maintenance on some of these roads. Kevin points out to Jim, he didn't follow the proper protocol back when he was on the board in closing High Street, Ed Patenaude has the paper work he will share with the board. Raquel states the Board will take in consideration what Jim has brought forward and look into the issue of High Street. Warrant #4= Carol motions to accept payroll warrant; Seconded by Larry; All in Favor. Larry motions to approve payroll; Seconded by Kevin; All in Favor. Larry motions to approve AP warrant; Seconded by Kevin; All in Favor.

Elected Officials:

Road Commissioner- Gave copies of the two responses from the advertisements he did a few weeks ago for materials and equipment to the board. Brad states they are making progress; finishing ditching, installed culverts and hope to start paving at the end of the month. Excavator is going back Tuesday August 15th. All the major work has been completed. Brad reports that Manzor have been very busy. Damaged by road department when fixing damages caused by storm on the Ridge Road; Brads hoping to get covered before winter. Brad mentions to the Board about Chris Child requesting to name his road; Carol motions to approve request from Chris Childs in naming his road Apocalypse Run; Seconded by John; All in Favor. Brad states, John, Kevin and himself met with John from D.O.T on the Mary Turner Bridge; a lot of paper work still needs to be done. There are 4 phases of the project. Kevin mentioned that it was said by John from D.O.T the town has to

compensate residents living on the other side of bridge; to park equipment and blocking entrance to cross the bridge.

Vera- Shirley Bartlett emailed annual assessing bill. Vera recommended Kit-Kat Carlow to be recognized for her service to Rep. Pickett; Rep. Pickett stated he would need a letter of recognition to her from the board. Carol had written a letter last year acknowledging Kit Kat for her volunteerism; Carol asked if the letter written would work. Vera will send to Rep. Pickett. Quotes given to Board members last week on Dell and HP; Larry motions to go with Dell for the computers; Seconded by Kevin; All in Favor. Vera says she'd like to commit taxes by next Monday; Vera tells the board she redone their ledger to match the articles past in election; she put a copy in their boxes. The board and Vera speak on the purpose of overlay account. Vera says it's only to cover abatements and calculation errors.

Fire Chief- Fire station is coming along and the old building is being torn down. Bill is having cameras installed similar to the Garage.

Committee Reports-

Ordinance Committee will be meeting was changed to Wednesday August 23rd.

Playground- still in progress.

Selectmen's Business:

Phone Lines- In progress, Stephanie was authorized by the board to sign Rev. 4 document electronically.

Town Report- Kevin reports he has started working on it.

District Attorney- Carol reports she hasn't received a call back yet; although she spoke with Marie Jordan, who stated she only said the Board signed her papers for her Officer Certification training for the ACO position; but didn't think the board would hire her due to Marie wanting to carry a concealed weapon. Board discusses ACO and what cost differences would be if town allowed a hired ACO to carry a concealed weapon. Carol recommends not hiring Marie Jordan due not having good relationships with a few people in town. Raquel requested Stephanie to contact insurance company for the price difference in coverage to allow ACO to carry concealed weapon.

FPES- Insurance doesn't name town as secondary insured; there are some questions to how the document has Town of Peru as holder. Stephanie will contact insurance for clarification. Raquel will contact for FPES to have then get started on the Change of Use of that building.

CEO- Jack broke his hip and will be out for 6 to 8 weeks; the board authorized Carol to contact Mike Moore for back up while Jack is out.

Kevin speaks on his findings from MMA concerning his wife being hired to fill the secretary position; he states the Town doesn't have an ordinance preventing it and states he would remove himself from all decisions and the interviewing process.

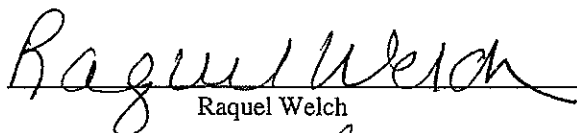
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Public Participation @ 9:45pm
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Kevin motioned to adjourn; Seconded by Larry at 10:05 pm. All in favor.

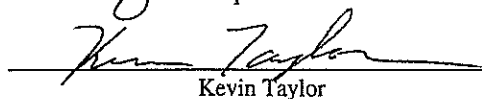
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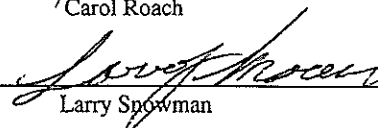
NOTE: THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED UNTIL SIGNED BY THE SELECTPERSONS.

August 14, 2017


Raquel Welch


Carol Roach


Kevin Taylor


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