

Town of Peru
Board of Selectperson's Meetings
February 5, 2018

Minutes

Present: Raquel Welch, Kevin Taylor, John Witherell, Larry Snowman, Carol Roach, Vera Parent, Brad Hutchings, Martha Witherell, Gail Belyea, Don Roach, Wendy Henderson, Mark Irish, Karen Lark, Ed Patenaude, Mona White, Valerie Gurney, Dawna Kazregis, Joseph Kerr, Cory Marquis

Absent: Brad Hutchings, Bill Hussey, Valerie Taylor

Chairperson Raquel Welch opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

- **Budget Minutes from January 26th, February 1st & February 5th on hold until next week**

Request from individuals/entities to meet with board members:

Valerie Gurney: Valerie Gurney raised a complaint regarding Selectboard member, Carol Roach for alleged remarks made at the Town Office during business hours.

ACO:

Corey Marquis asked the Board about purchasing equipment. The Board gave Corey Marquis a \$500.00 limit on equipment.

Incoming Correspondence:

Elected Officials' Reports:

Road Commissioner:

- Brad Hutchings was absent

Collector/Town Clerk/ Treasurer:

- Vera mentions to the Board about the Trio upgrade to the Cloud. Trio wants Vera to sign an agreement. Vera stated to the Board that she doesn't feel comfortable signing the agreement, because of her upcoming retirement. Vera gave the Board a copy of the agreement. The Board expresses their concerns with the Cloud.

John motions to sign the agreement contract with Trio to get on the list for the upgrade; seconded by Raquel. All in Favor.

- Vera mentions that the second half of property taxes are due February 9, 2018.

Fire Chief:

- Bill Hussey was absent.

CEO-

- **Larry motions to send letters to Jack Plumley & Mike Moore, to see if they were still interested to provide CEO services to the Town of Peru; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.**

Committee Reports:

- **Ordinance Committee:** Kevin mentions they will be getting together real soon to work on heavy equipment use on the Town roads (Example: Logging yards).
- **Planning Board:** John requested the Planning Board minutes once a month, Don Roach will look into this matter.
- **Finance Committee:** None
- **Recreational Field Committee:** None
- **Appeals Committee:** None

Selectpersons' Business:

Raquel: None

John: None

Larry: The water test was good from last month.

Carol: Change of Use Permit – when it was advertised & where to advertise around town.

Kevin: Expressed concerns about the RFP (Change of Use Permit) being advertised on MMA without it being complete. There were several inquiries obtaining a RFP.

John motions to sign the RFP for the Bid Proposal of the Change of Use Permit; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.

Kevin: mentions about FPES having a play & that Bill Hussey previously measured it for a capacity of 66 people, including staff, children, etc. Kevin expressed concerns about the kitchen use. Carol mentions that the stage might have been taken out, so they could have more in capacity. Kevin will contact Bill about doing a measurement for capacity in the FPES building.

Kevin: Brought up concerns about Nick Waugh's email, requesting an Article on the June's Warrant, asking to raise & appropriate \$10,000.00 to support their warrant. Kevin would like to see them have a citizen's petition or have them come in to explain to the Board why they are asking for the money.

John motions to hold off any voting pertaining to FPES, until the Budget is completed; seconded by Raquel. 4-1

Carol: Mentions that Ronda Palmer called about the letter of denial of tax abatement & she's asking for comparisons of other properties around her, before she decides if she's going to appeal. Carol states that Ronda called Shirley, but Shirley didn't recall exactly what she recommended to the Board & recommends that Ronda call the office. Carol states that she has 2 properties that have trailers in the Honeyrun campground, that are approximately the same age & size. Ronda stated to Carol that she didn't want to come in front of the Board & she would want the comparison letter, soon not later.

Carol mentions that she did talk to Shirley & she had eye surgery & that she was out of commission for about 2 weeks & that she wouldn't be able to meet with the Board until March.

New Business:

- The Board set up a Budget meeting on February 16, 2018 12-2 PM.

Old Business:

Public participation- began at 7:45 PM

Dawna Kazregis asked about the corrections on the January 2, 2018 minutes. She would like the corrections made. Carol mentions that the Board does not do verbatim minutes & that the Board already voted approval of those minutes.

John motions to make the corrections on the January 2, 2018 that Dawna recommends; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.

Dawna asked the Board about Valerie Gurney's incident & what can be done to prevent future incidents.

Gail brings up issues about FPES & the budget meeting.

Wendy comments about Valerie Gurney's incident & when she sat on the Board, she would treat the citizens equally, even if she had a personal problem with them.

Karen Lark questions the Board about FPES taking care of their own expenses.

Mark Irish questioned the Board about the Fire Alarm system.

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At 8:15 PM: John motions to adjourn; Seconded by Kevin. All in Favor

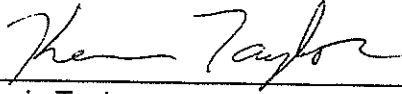
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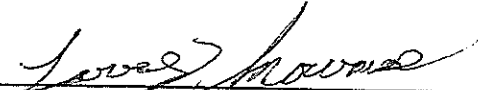
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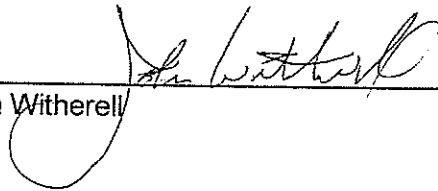
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