

Town of Peru  
Board of Selectperson's Meetings  
March 19, 2018

Minutes

**Present:** Raquel Welch, Kevin Taylor, John Witherell, Larry Snowman, Carol Roach, Valerie Taylor, Vera Parent, Brad Hutchings, Martha Witherell, Ed Patenaude, Mark Irish, Wendy Henderson, Gail Belyea, Don Roach, Karen Lark

**Absent:** Bill Hussey

Chairperson Raquel Welch opened the meeting at 6:15pm.

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Minutes:**

- **Minutes for March 12, 2018** – Larry motions to approve the minutes; seconded by Carol. All in Favor.
- **Change of Use Minutes for March 12, 2018** – Carol motions to approve the minutes; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.

**Request from individuals/entities to meet with board members:**

**Incoming Correspondence:**

- **Veteran's Exemption Application:** Carol motions to accept the Veteran's Exemption Application; seconded by John. All in Favor.
- **Email from Ted Small:** John motions to accept the instructions from Ted Small pertaining to the February 5, 2018 minutes; seconded by Kevin. 4-0 Carol abstained from the vote & conversation.
- **Ronda Palmer's Abatement Map #04 Lot #09:** Carol motions to table the abatement; seconded by John. All in Favor.
- **Joseph Kerr's Abatement Map #24 Lot #13:** Carol motions to table the abatement, pending on Shirley Bartlett's recommendation; seconded by John. All in Favor.
- **February 5, 2018 Minutes:** John motions that the complaint from Valerie Gurney, that the minutes should read as goes: Valerie Gurney raised a complaint regarding Carol Roach for alleged remarks made at the Town Office during business hours; seconded by Larry. 4-0 Carol abstained.
- **Change of Use Permit:** Kevin motions to enter into a contract with James Butler for the change of use; seconded by John. All in Favor.
- **Unemployment Benefits:** Carol gave the Board a brief explanation into unemployment benefits. Larry motions to put the individual to work for a maximum of \$225.00 a week; seconded by Kevin. 4-1 Motion passes.

- **Shoreland Zoning Ordinance:** Carol motions for recommendations & passage of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.

**Elected Officials' Reports:**

**Road Commissioner:**

- **Calderwood Engineering:** Brad gave a copy to the Board members of the contract to be signed. Kevin motions for the Board to sign the contract; seconded by Raquel. All in Favor.

**Executive Session:** Kevin motions to go into Executive Session, 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) at 6:29PM; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.

- John motions to come out of Executive Session, 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) at 6:48PM; seconded by Larry. All in Favor.
- Raquel motions to accept Matt Dyke's resignation as of March 31, 2018; seconded by Carol. All in Favor.
- Carol motions to place advertisements for the Road Department employment in the newspapers & on the MMA website; seconded by John. All in Favor.

**Tax Collector/Town Clerk/ Treasurer:**

- Vera mentions to the Board that she will have a workshop on LD1, once the budget is completed.

**Fire Chief:**

- Engine #11 costs of repairs: \$7535.00
- Bill request permission to apply for a 100% 2018 Homeland Security grant to install a stand-by generator for the Worthley Pond Fire Station with no matching funds. Carol motions to grant Bill's permission to apply for the grant; seconded by John. All in Favor.

**CEO:**

**Committee Reports:**

- **Ordinance Committee:** The committee will be working on some ordinances.
- **Planning Board:** No report.
- **Finance Committee:** No report.
- **Recreational Field Committee:** No report.
- **Appeals Committee:** No report.

**Selectpersons' Business: (New & Old):**

**John:** No report.

**Carol:** No report.

**Raquel:** No report.

**Larry:** No report.

**Kevin:** Kevin brought up issues with the IRS & FPES. **Kevin motions to revoke FPES's contract; seconded by John. 0-5 Motion Fails.**

**Public participation-** began at 8:30PM

Ed questions about how many times can FPES breach their contract with the Town.

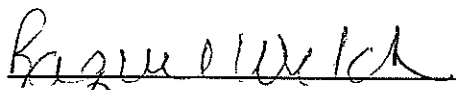
Karen questioned about the article about FPES in the Rumford Falls Times. She also brought up issues about the minutes on February 5, 2018.

Mark raised issues about LD1.

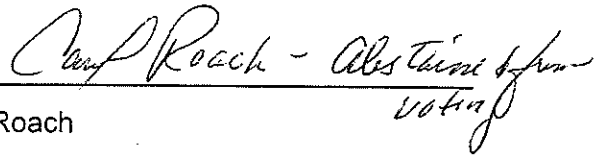
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At 8:40 PM: **Larry motions to adjourn; Seconded by John. All in Favor.**

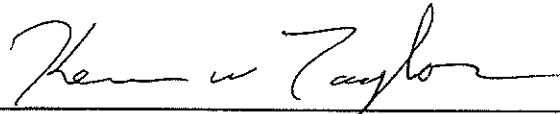
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Raquel Welch



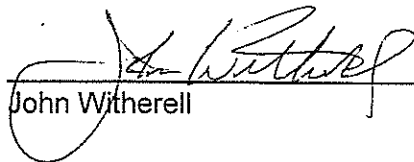
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John Witherell