

Town of Peru
Board of Selectperson's Meetings
April 16, 2018

Minutes

Present: Raquel Welch, John Witherell, Carol Roach, Kevin Taylor, Vera Parent, Valerie Taylor, Mark Irish, Martha Witherell, Ronda Palmer, Gail Belyea, Joe Kerr

Absent: Larry Snowman, Bill Hussey, Brad Hutchings

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

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Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

- **Minutes for April 9, 2018 – Carol motions to approve the minutes; seconded by John. All in Favor.**
- **Minutes for the April 9, 2018 ~ Opening of the Cemetery/Lawn Maintenance Bids -- John motions to approve the minutes; seconded by Carol. All in Favor.**

Action Items:

- **Letters to Piper Landscaping and B&B Landscaping – Carol motions to approve the letters; seconded by John. All in Favor.**
- **Building Application ~ Ryan & Brandy Bordeau, Map #12 Lot #53– Kevin motions to approve the building application; seconded by Carol. All in Favor.**
 - **Discussion:** The Board had a discussion on the present CEO. The Board agrees that the Town will need to research on a new CEO. Carol suggests sending the current CEO a letter. Carol brought up an issue about the driveway needing road signage because of the location.
- **Application for Veteran Exemption ~ Lawrence Lincoln, Map #14 Lot #26 —Carol motions to approve the application, effective for the 2018/2019 tax year; seconded by John. All in Favor.**
- **Letter to Paul S. Holland ~ Application for Veteran Exemption-- Carol motions to approve the letter to Paul S. Holland explaining when his Veteran Exemption will be applied for the 2019/ 2020 tax year; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.**
- **Cemetery/Lawn Maintenance Contract with Nicholas Pierce of NWP Lawncare-- Carol motions to sign the contract with NWP Lawncare; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.**

Request from individuals/entities to meet with board members:

- **Ronda Palmer's Abatement:** Ronda Palmer came in to see the status of her abatement. The Board & Ronda had a lengthy discussion on the subject. Satisfactory resolution was arrived at.
- **Kevin motions to change the assessment value of the 2004 R-Vision, suggested by the Tax Assessor Shirley Bartlett for the amount of \$7,000.00 which includes the decks & porches; seconded by Carol. All in Favor.**

Incoming Correspondence:

- **Senior's Plus--** The group will be going on a trip to the Amish Country.
- **Carol motions to authorize the seniors to park in the Town's parking lot ~ April 30th through May 6th; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.**
 - Will need to have them fill out the Town of Peru – Release of Legal Liability form.
- **Complaint forms** – The Board had a discussion about the junk on owner's properties.

Elected Officials' Reports:

Road Commissioner:

- Brad was absent.
- The Road Department is working on the flagpole from the Veteran's Memorial.
- Kevin Taylor & Ed Patenaude will be making new crosses for the Veteran's Memorial.
- John Witherell will be looking into the concrete footing on the Veteran's Memorial.

Tax Collector/Town Clerk/ Treasurer:

- **Ballots:** Vera re-worked the ballots & presented the new one to the Board.
- Vera removed Article #5.
- Vera mentions to the Board that she notified the printers to have the Ballots put on hold until Tuesday, April 17, 2018.
 - **Carol motions based on the Fire Chief's recommendation to remove Article #5 from the June's ballot; seconded by John. All in Favor.**
- **Voting Tabulator--** Vera gave the Board an explanation of why they need to rent a second voting tabulator for the amount of \$1,180.00.
- **Special Town Meeting Advertisement--** Vera presented to the Board the advertisement for the Special Town Meeting.
 - **Carol motions the Special Town Meeting notice be approved as written; seconded by John. All in Favor.**
 - **Carol motions the wording of the advertisement be approved for publication; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.**

Secretary:

- **Town's Website--** The Secretary briefed the Board the work that John Bernard from River Valley Graphics has done on the website & proposed on how the tax maps could be put on the website.

- Carol motions that John Bernard put the tax maps on the Town's website when they are updated, up to the amount of \$100.00; seconded by Raquel. All in Favor.

Fire Chief:

- Bill Hussey was absent.
- Grant proposal – did not receive high remarks to obtain the grant.

CEO:

- John motions to have Carol call Jack to see what his future plans are with the Town; seconded by Kevin. All in Favor.

Committee Reports:

- **Ordinance Committee:** Kevin wants to work on the Webcam Policy, meeting this Friday, April 20, 2018 @ 6:00 PM.
- **Planning Board:** No report.
- **Finance Committee:** No report.
- **Recreational Field Committee:** No report.
- **Appeals Committee:** No report.

Selectpersons' Business: (New & Old):

John: John suggested that the Secretary is due for a raise. The Board had a discussion on the subject.

- John motions to give the Secretary a \$1.00 raise until the next Fiscal year; seconded by --- Motion died for lack of a second.

Carol: Carol attended the Med-Care meeting. She made a 3-ring binder that has the minutes & financials for anybody to view. Carol also mentioned that James Butler will be here on April 26, 2018 @ 5:00PM for the change of use permit inspection.

Raquel: Rescheduling of the Executive Session—The Board & the Secretary had a lengthy discussion on the subject.

Larry: Absent.

Kevin: No report.

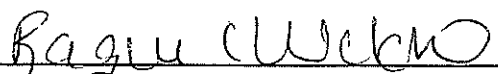
Public participation- began at 8:45PM

Mark mentions about the Choice-Rank Voting status.

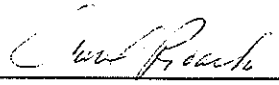
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At 8:47 PM: Carol motions to adjourn; Seconded by Raquel. All in Favor.

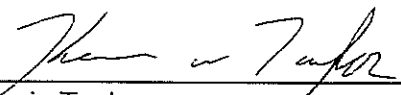
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