

Town of Peru

Board of Selectpersons' Meeting

Minutes of November 5, 2018

Present: Larry Snowman, Raquel Welch, Carol Roach, Lynda Hebert, Kevin Taylor, Gail Belyea, Anna Touchette, Mark Irish, Martha Witherell, Wendy Henderson, Tammi Lyons, Joe Kerr, Valerie Taylor, Brad Hutchings, Matt Dyke, Bill Hussey

Chairperson Raquel Welch opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Minutes-
 - The board requested that Casey make some necessary revisions to the minutes.
 - Carol motioned to approve the revised minutes of 10/29/18, seconded by Lynda. All in favor.
3. Warrant-
 - Kevin moved to approve A.P. Warrant # 10 in the amount of \$171,202.28, seconded by Lynda. All in favor.
 - Lynda moved to approve Payroll Warrant #10 in the amount of \$7,898.99, seconded by Raquel. All in favor.
4. Action Items-
 - Kevin motioned to approve Richard and Terry Campbell's application for Homestead Exemption, seconded by Larry. All in favor.
 - Kevin motioned to approve Richard Campbell's application for Veterans Exemption, seconded by Raquel. All in favor.
5. Requests from Individuals/ entities to meet with the board
 - Valerie Taylor presented a bill to the board that she received for a culvert that she feels the town is responsible for and requested that the board rescind the bill.
 - Larry motioned to rescind the bill of \$340.40 that was sent to Valerie Taylor, seconded by Lynda. Kevin abstained, motion passed.

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- Tammi Lyons presented the board with information about the town's current health insurance plan and explained what the differences are between the deductibles, co-payments and coverages. She advised that the town should explore companies other than Maine Municipal.
 - The board asked Tammi Lyons to present the board with multiple options at their next meeting.
 - Kevin motioned to have the board write a letter to the employees stating that the board is currently looking into other health insurance options, seconded by Larry. All in favor.
 - The board requested that Kevin write the letter.
6. Elected Officials/ Appointed Committee and Board reports-
- Road Commissioner-
- Brad informed the board that the rear wall of the salt shed has been repaired and that the shed is full.
 - Brad stated the garage doors are fixed
 - Brad reported the cameras are working
- Fire Chief-
- Bill informed the board that there was a pump test done at the fire station and that the bill should show up on the upcoming warrant (#11).
 - Bill addressed the Board's decision to not approve his request to encumber the 6/30/18 balance in the Worthley Pond Fire Station account and stated that he is disappointed and disagrees with the boards decision to deny the request.
 - Bill has submitted a grant proposal in the amount of \$161,000 to the Assistant to Firefighter Grant. If this grant is awarded the towns portion will be approximately \$7701.00.
 - Bill worked with the local schools during fire prevention week.
 - Bill also worked with area agencies during the Buddy Mclean bridge dedication. Carol commended Bill and the fire department for their involvement in this event.
- Tax Collector/ Town Clerk/ Treasurer-
- The board opened printer bids from both Transco and Kyocera. After opening, the bids were given to Deb to review and make a recommendation at their next meeting.

-Secretary-

- Casey informed the board that the garage cameras were not previously accessible because the wrong web browser was being used and that the cameras are now being monitored.
- Casey also informed the board that the monthly random notifications from Affiliated Drug Testing will be made quarterly starting in 2019 and as a result employees will now have three months to complete their drug testing.
- The board requested that Casey email Shirley to see if she has gained access to the towns data.
- Casey informed the Board that Tim Placey, Chair of the Planning Board, asked that the CEO be authorized to work one day a week.
- Carol moved to inform the planning board that the town's budget would not support the CEO coming in weekly to complete his work, seconded by Lynda. All in favor.
- Casey was asked to send Tim an email in response to his request.

-Assessor-

-CEO-

7. Incoming correspondence-

8. Select-persons' Business-

- Carol motioned to write off \$11,155 in taxes assessed to the property located on 38 Maine St. due to the sale of the property, seconded by Kevin. All in favor.
- Raquel asked if Carol had found anything regarding the Jason Packard homestead exemption and Carol informed her that she has found nothing so far.
- Kevin motioned that all rents from now forward be deposited in the towns surplus account, seconded by Raquel, three opposed, motion failed.
- Carol addressed Deputy Clerk, Denise Belyea's, resignation and would like to discuss the hiring process with Debbie.
- Kevin brought up the need of an ordinance for the growth, distribution, and sale of marijuana. Carol stated it was premature as guidelines have not come down from the government yet.
- Kevin discussed what he had learned about discontinued roads. Carol asked if he had information that he could hand out. Kevin said he would get some together and hand it out next meeting.

Raquel opened up the meeting for Public Participation t 8:15 pm.

9. Public Participation-

- Mark Irish expressed concern with the FPES flyer because FPES is not supposed to be involved in any politics.
- Gail asked the board if the heat in the old elementary school building has been turned off. The board told her that someone would check.
- Gail informed the board that a town of this size could open voting up as early as 6:00 a.m.
- Gail asked if there was any progress on the town report.
- Gail asked if Vera was hired as an ongoing consultant.
- Gail asked if the board knew the absentee ballots were being counted early. Kevin said he had been present during counting.

Kevin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm., seconded by Larry. All in favor.

Raquel Welch

Raquel Welch- Chair

Carol Roach

Carol Roach- Vice Chair

Kevin Taylor

Larry Snowman

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Lynda Hebert

11/19/18

Date