**TOWN OF PERU**

Selectboard Meeting

May 1, 2024

**Present:** Alex Sheets, Chuck Black, Ben Foltz (via phone), Wayne Blanchard, Tom & Lisa Cronin, Scott Higgins, Kate Boobar.

**Meeting Called to Order:** Chuck called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**Review/Approve Minutes:** Alex motioned to accept the minutes of the previous meeting; Chuck seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

**Request to Change Agenda**: None

**Public Comment:** None

**Road Foreman Report**: Wayne reported that spring clean up of roads is pretty much completed. He let the selectboard know that there are trees on North Road and Mad Tom Notch that need to be taken down. These are trees that will not be taken down by the power company. Wayne also advised that the stumps be ground down to facilitate roadside mowing. He has contacted Hunter Excavation and William Crandall about these projects. Discussion ensued. No action was taken at this time.

Work will be done to improve Priest Lane with a new culvert, clean ditches and line with stone and gravel on the road.

**Old Business:**

Lovers Lane Traffic: Scott Higgins reported that he and his wife have researched the digitalized traffic signs previously discussed and found them to be cost prohibitive. Scott & Kate both stated that the residents on Lovers Lane would like to see the speed limit dropped to 25 miles per hour. Chuck advised that before we do that, he would like to see the “Speed Cart” utilized and see if that will help to slow traffic down.

Wayne was authorized to do any necessary work on the speed cart to make it operational and to get it in place on Lovers Lane.

Audit Contract: Chuck motioned that the selectboard sign the contract for the auditors to begin; Alex seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

**New Business**:

New Plow Truck: Chuck made us aware that there is a new plow truck available now that would fit the needs of the town at this time. Discussion about specs etc. of this new truck. Ben motioned that we purchase said truck; Chuck seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

4TH of July Celebration: Discussion on donating to the 4th of July celebration to take place in Londonderry. The decision was made to table this discussion.

O**ther Business:**

Missing Lovers Lane sign: Chuck advised the road sign has been stolen…again. Wayne stated he has one extra one as well as one on order and will take care of replacing them.

**Review Bills/Approve Payments:** All bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda M. Beebe

Peru Town Clerk