

Peru Selectboard Meeting

August 7, 2019

Present: Chuck Black, Jon Mowry, Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, John Acosta, Olivia Rukat, Maisie Rukat, Hope Richardson, Jan Georgette, Al Cartwright, Sara Zaino, and Jill Braddish

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

Review and Approve Minutes: Jon made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2019 meeting as written; Todd seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

Request to Change Agenda/Public Comment: None

New Business

Fate of Town Park: Jon gave a brief background as to why this issue came up, explaining that Wayne brought to the Selectboard's attention that the monkey bars and picnic tables needed to be disposed of as they were a liability. The Selectboard wanted input from the community as to how to proceed with the future of the park. The general consensus of those present was that it would be nice to spruce up the park so that people would want to use it. Olivia suggested a new soccer net and possibly addressing the divots in the field. Gail suggested a multi-purpose court that could be used for tennis or pickleball. Hope seconded that idea. Discussion ensued. Gail and Hope volunteered to lead the Town Park Committee.

Old Business

Resident in Need of Assistance Update: Sara Zaino updated the Selectboard on recent issues regarding Roland informing them that he is constantly burning and becoming increasingly more aggressive. Roland has been on her property cutting down trees and brush which led her to call the State Police. She explained that the smell from the burning is so bad she cannot be outside with her family. She vented her frustration as to Roland's lack of compliance. Discussion ensued. Jon will follow up with Hal to check on the status of issuing a Health Order and contact the Town's legal council when they return from vacation. Jon suggested that the Zaino's contact the police any time Roland is on their property.

Personnel Policy: The Selectboard is drafting a drug and alcohol policy.

Other Business

Zoning Administrator Update: The Town needs to warn a position for a new zoning administrator. Under state statute the ZA is nominated by the Planning Commission and appointed by the Selectboard. Todd will contact Stewart Beattie, Planning Commission Chair, to move forward with this process.

Administrative: The Selectboard signed off on the new pay scale for 2019/2020 fiscal year. The Selectboard noted that the Town received thank you letters from Mt. Valley Health Council and Green Mtn. Club for distribution of appropriations. Todd made a motion to have Donna issue Kelen Lapan a refund check for taxes in the amount of \$168.66; Jon seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

Road Foreman Report: Todd reported that the ditching is completed on North Rd. Wayne is working on grant numbers with Jim Henderson from the BCRC. The road crew is brush cutting on Bromley Farm Rd. and the 550 needs repair work done.

Review Bills and Approve Payments: The Selectboard viewed and approved all bills for payment.

Adjournment: Todd adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jill Braddish
Peru Town Clerk