

## Peru Selectboard Meeting January 2, 2019

**Present:** Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Karen Utiger, and Jill Braddish

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

**Review and Approve Minutes:** Todd made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2018 meeting as written; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**Request to Change Agenda/Public Comment:** Karen Utiger asked the Selectboard to explain The Kelton Family Fund. As an auditor she does not think the Town should be responsible for maintaining an account and distributing funds if we do not have a say in how the money is spent. Karen will call Elizabeth Marx who is the advisor of the fund to ask specifics as to why it was set up this way.

### New Business

**Personnel Policy Discussion:** The Selectboard reviewed different sections of the policy to update. They will revisit at the next meeting.

### Old Business

**Budget Discussion:** Todd made a motion to approve the proposed budget for 2019/2020 of \$890,325.00 with \$580,700.00 to be raised by taxes; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

### Other Business

**Outside Audit:** The Selectboard discussed if the Town should hire an outside auditor to review the Town financial records.

**Wage Increase:** Todd made a motion to approve the minimum wage increase to \$10.78/hour; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**Road Foreman Report:** None

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jill Braddish  
Peru Town Clerk