

## Peru Select Board Meeting Minutes October 19, 2016

**Present:** Todd Williams, Gail Acosta, Chuck Black, Fran Stelz, Bob Stelz, Wayne Blanchard, Barbara Petra

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

**Review/Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Todd made a motion to approve and accept the minutes; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**Requests to Change Agenda/Public Comment:** None.

### New Business

**Exercise Class:** Fran Stelz proposed that the Select Board consider purchasing a large screen, Smart TV, DVD player, etc so that various instructional classes, presentations, movie nights, and such would be available at the Town Center for its residents. Fran wanted to make better use of an underutilized meeting room which would further a sense of community. She did research and presented a proposal of an estimated cost of project (available at the Town Office). There was discussion and questions regarding interest, participation and sustainability. The Select Board thanked Fran for her efforts and would follow up on this idea. Gail made a motion to do further investigation for this project; Todd seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

### Old Business

**Community House:** Gail reported that there have been some delays in starting the renovations. She will follow-up with Josh regarding the priming of the walls even if the final coat cannot be done in a timely manner.

**Town Green:** Questions regarding the scope of electrical work to be done for the Village Green were brought up. Chuck will follow-up on behalf of the Select Board with the vendors before making a decision. Chuck made a motion to contract with Chaves Excavating for the work to be done on the Village Green; Gail seconded; all in favor; motion passed.

**9-1-1 Mapping & Addresses:** There was discussion on how to proceed with advising the homeowners about a new private road name off of VT Rte. 11. Todd said he would draft a letter advising the homeowners that the State requires this must happen.

**Update: Resident Assistance:** The Select Board will ask Chris Felion to approach one of our residents about accepting some help regarding the situation at their home. If no resolution can be reached the Select Board will entertain the idea of the State coming in to resolve the situation.

**Hazard Mitigation Plan:** After discussion the Select Board has decided not to move forward with the process. Todd will contact Michael Batcher as to their decision.

### Other Business

Bob Stelz had a concern regarding a tree on Pierce Road coming down this winter. The Select Board will look into this.

Todd received a letter of resignation from Zoning Administrator John LaVecchia. John stated that he would be resigning because it has become increasingly more difficult for him to get around especially with the winter approaching. He asked that the Select Board find a replacement as soon as possible and would help with the transition. The Select Board will post the position in the regular locations and place an ad in the newspaper.

Barbara had an e-mail from Fran Tobia regarding the money that the Peru Fair Committee promised towards the electric on the Village Green.

She wanted to know how to present the money to the Select Board.  
Bring a check and the Town will gratefully accept.

Chuck was approached by someone who wants to donate a carved stone pig to be used on the Village Green. The Select Board would like to see a rendering of the sculpture.

**Road Foreman Report:** Wayne says, “Snow’s coming” and the crew is ready to go. Lawn clean-up continuing and North Road ditching is done. Received 2 loads of salt and sand is on the way. Peter Salo has been busy trapping beavers which have been causing trouble in the South Road wetlands. The crew has had to clear out the culvert.

**Review Bills and Approve Payments:** Bills were reviewed and approve for payment.

Adjournment: Todd adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Petra  
Assistant Clerk  
Town of Peru, VT