

Town of Peru
Selectboard Meeting – DRAFT MINUTES

402 Main Street
AUGUST 19, 2026
5:30 PM

Selectboard Attendance: Ben Foltz, Laurie Gayda

Others in Attendance: David Utiger, Heather LaPan, Mike Gayda, Lucas Hughes

Meeting called to Order at 5:36pm.

Review / Approve Minutes from 08/05/2026: *Gayda moved, Foltz seconded, unanimous approval.*

Request To Change Agenda: n/a

Public Comment: n/a

New Business:

1. Review Planning Commission recommendation on GMP power service to Roberts' property:

Gayda and Hughes discussed the Planning Commissions conversation with GMP. The Roberts would like to bring 400amp service to the property. The existing pole does not support that amount of power. Options include adding a standoff / support to the pole by the Post Office or running underground power under the driveway to the Town Building, and along the front of the town building b/w the street and large trees / retaining wall.

PC members and SB members expressed concern over the GMP process, possible negative effects on future maintenance or replacement of Town office driveway, possible

damage to the roots of large trees in front of town building, etc. Also concerns over cost to have Town Attorney create or review an easement.

Gayda will call GMP to discuss other options: standoff at pole by Post Office, new pole and over head lines, and gather add't information.

Motion by BF to TABLE discussion, Gayda seconded. Unanimous.

Old Business:

1. Continue discussion on Main Street traffic control:

Heather Lapan and David Utiger expressed interest in heading up a Committee to continue efforts on traffic control. Engagement with other local residents, prepare questions and suggestions for engineers and designers, continue the momentum of the July 15th meeting.

2. Town Website & town network service:

Ben and Laurie reviewed proposal from Revize. Laurie will discuss with Harriet and ensure the quote is the best path forward for the town website.

Motion by BF to approve the \$11,810 quote from Revize. Laura 2nd. Unanimous.

Other Business: n/a

Review Bills & Approve payments, following public meeting

Adjourn: Foltz moved, Gayda seconded, unanimous approval, meeting adjourned at 6:18pm.