

## **PITTSTON SELECT BOARD MEETING—July 15, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by Chair, Jane Hubert at 6:00 p.m.

Those present: Jane Hubert, Jean Ambrose, Roger Linton, Sam Snow, Ernie Martin, Sarah McLaughlin, Tim Willett, Mark Warren, Steve Costello, Tim Lawrence, Cheryl Peaslee, Jim and Jeanne Lothridge, and Larry Ireland.

Ernie Martin gave the Select Board a letter that he wrote for the owner of 5 Robbins Lane. It explained the code violations and what would need to be corrected for people to occupy this mobile home. The Select Board approved the letter and it will be mailed certified. Deb M. will do this.

Ernie Martin reported to the Board that a man had spoken with him in regards to buying a gravel pit on the Old Cedar Grove Road. Ernie told the man that the Town of Pittston does not have an ordinance for this. Ernie follows all State of Maine rules and regulations.

Jane Hubert made a motion to approve Ernie Martin to attend a CEO training class on dangerous buildings, on Sept. 3, 2015. Jean Ambrose 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

The portable structure on Nehunkeag Pond has been moved.

Sam Snow, Road Commissioner, told the Select Board that he wants to add more roads to this year's paving projects. Sam said that the Town got a really good price on paving and would like to use more money from excise tax reserve. This item can be addressed at the Special Town Meeting that will be scheduled for some time in August. Sarah McLaughlin will help with the way to handle the cash flow.

Jane Hubert reported that a resident had told her that he thought that a vote was taken to use excise tax money on roads ONLY. Deb M. will research this.

Tim Willett from State Paving, came in to sign the Paving Contract.

Figures for sand/salt for Chelsea were tabled. Sam Snow will bring figures next week.

Jean Ambrose will inform the Board when the deadlines for grants will be.

### **6:15 AWARD THE CONTACT FOR THE BLINN HILL PROJECT**

- Jane Hubert made a motion to award the Blinn Hill Project contact to Harold Warren Construction for the amount of \$224,946.00. Jean Ambrose 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Sam Snow reported that Rick Drew quoted a price of \$52.00 per mile for roadside mowing and brush cutting. Mr. Drew will be sending information to the Town Office.

Sam Snow reported that he had replaced a culvert on the Hanley Road in preparation of paving. New hot top was put over the culvert. Two times someone has spun their tires on the new hot top and ripped it up. The State Police have been notified.

Jane Hubert reported that she called Summit Gas in regards to the sink holes on Old Cedar Grove Road. They were fixed that day, July 13, 2015 as reported by Ernie Martin.

The Select Board informed the members of the budget committee in attendance that the Special Town Meeting on July 22, 2015 is to change the due date of the first half of the tax bills. Tax bills could not be sent out as scheduled due to Kennebec County not giving the towns the dollar amount for county taxes. The Board also explained the items to be discussed in a second Special Town Meeting.

Steve Costello, Chair of the Budget Committee, submitted to the Select Board his certificate of completion of the Freedom of Access Training.

A question was asked if there is a conflict of interest in an elected Road Commissioner being an elected member of the Budget Committee. Deb MacInnes will contact MMA for clarification.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve the Select Board meeting minutes of July 8, 2015. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jane Hubert made a motion to approve the Road Commissioner and Select Board meeting minutes of July 13, 2015. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve the Road Commissioner and Select Board meeting minutes of July 15, 2015. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jane Hubert made a motion to approve Deb Barry to attend an election conference on Sept. 24, 2015. Jean Ambrose 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Paul Stilphen sent paperwork to the Town Office in regards to his application with D.E.P. to put a bridge over an unnamed stream. This will be filed in his tax folder.

Jean Ambrose will try to attend an Elected Officials workshop on July 29, 2015.

Warrant #27 was signed.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve preview warrant #28 in the amount of \$163,660.06. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve payroll warrant #2815 in the amount of \$2,236.86. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Sarah McLaughlin, Tax Collector/Treasurer, reviewed what percentage of the budgets has been used.

Jane Hubert made a motion to set the mil rate at 13.2, resulting in a \$80,218.82 overlay. Jean Ambrose 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jim Lothridge asked the Select Board if they had appointed a health officer yet. They had not. He also asked if the Board had anything for the Personnel Committee, they did not.

Jane Hubert made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to statutory citation 1.M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A), personnel matters at 7:56. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jane Hubert made a motion to resume the Select Board meeting at 8:03. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to appoint Cathy Campbell, Pittston's Health Officer. Roger Linton 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote. Deb B. will prepare the appointment papers and Deb M. will notify Cathy.

Jane Hubert made a motion to adjourn at 8:06. Jean Ambrose 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a 3-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Debbie MacInnes, Secretary for the Board

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jane H. Hubert, Selectperson

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Mary Jean Ambrose, Selectperson

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Roger T. Linton, Selectperson