

ORIGINAL

**Town of Pittston
Select Board Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2024**



Board Members Present Jane Hubert (Chair), Joe Caputo, Cathy Thomas

Other Town Officials Present Christian Jensen (Tax Collector, Treasurer, Office Supervisor) Sam Snow (Road Commissioner)

Recorder Valerie Hanson

Call to Order 6:00 pm

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Old Minutes Motion to accept as amended with corrections 3-0

3. Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrants

a. PAYROLL #2455 @ \$20,891.15

Motion to Approve with discussion on pay – opposed 3-0

Motion to accept warrant with exception of holding RC pay for further discussion at a work session.

Discussion: Road Commissioner, Sam Snow will advise when he is available to come to a work session

Approved 3-0

b. AP WARRANT #2456 @ \$12,306.14 Approved 3-0

4. Open Public Speaker(s)

a. Christian Jensen Offered words of inspiration and prayer

5. Road Business (OLD)

a. Pinkham Rd Culvert – Meadow Brook – Joe Caputo spoke with Eric Calderwood, who will bore to find ledge on July 17, 2024. Joe also spoke with Larry Nadeau, contractor for the bridge construction. No projected start date has been scheduled.

b. North Beech Hill Road Plan – Sam Snow advised that some money received from FEMA was allocated for North Beech Hill Road.

c. 58 Stony Acres – Culvert Repair Complaint No update to report. Joe Caputo and Sam Snow will follow up.

d. FEMA Update – Selectboard met with FEMA on June 14th and have another meeting scheduled for June 27th.

e. Jewett Road Analysis Public Review 7/15/24 @ 6 pm – Draft to be reviewed at this time with Jeremy Prue, Engineer for Pine Tree.

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- f. **Salt Shed Repair** – Joe Caputo will go to the salt shed and inspect for repairs.
- g. **Paving budget Update** – There will likely be no paving jobs this summer.
- h. **Winter Road Maintenance Bids**

two bids were received

Nicholas Lessard
Base – \$355,000
Year one base - \$355,000
Year two base - \$355,000
Sand - \$20 cubic yard

DS Excavating
Base - \$650,000
Year one base - \$680,000
Year two base - \$717,000
Sale \$22.50 cubic yard
Year one \$23.50 cubic yard
Year two \$24.50 cubic yard

6. Road Business (NEW)

Sam Snow advised;

Nash Road has some sections that have washed out again.

The top of **Blinn Hill Road** has washed out again.

Kelley Road has not been fixed and now has washed out taking hot top.

Blodgett Road, culvert plugged up making a mess in the resident's driveway.

South Beech Hill Road issue will be fixed before resident has hot top done.

7. General Town Business (OLD)

- a. **Brush Cutting Contract** – Jane Hubert will send Mike Christy a letter and paperwork. When it is received back, it will be voted on at a select board meeting
- b. **Solar Projects – Moratorium** – Currently working on a solar ordinance but need a moratorium in place so select board can do more research. Ordinance Committee will work on ordinance.
- c. **Mailbox Relocation** – Mail person cannot deliver if vehicles are in the way of mailbox. They have to make a loop to provide mail as vehicle cannot back up. Jane Hubert (Chair), Christian Jensen (Tax Collector, Treasurer, Office Supervisor), and Marie flowers (Administrative Assistant) have offered to park on the other side of the fire station.

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- d. **Fiscal Year** – Christian Jensen spoke about changing our fiscal year from January 1 to December 31 to July 1 to June 30. This would require a special town meeting to vote on said change.
- e. **Handyman Hiring** – Jane Hubert asked if anyone knew of someone that would like to do light handyman jobs to have them get in touch with the town office. Joe Caputo will follow up.

8. General Town Business (NEW)

- a. **Linda Caputo – School Board Update** – Linda spoke on our special needs funding and shared a story to show the benefits of funding.
- b. **Remote participation** – Zoom – It has been requested that work sessions, as well as selectboard meetings, be available via Zoom. Jane Hubert made a motion to have work sessions as well as select board meeting held via Zoom and download audio recordings to the town website. Approved 3-0
- c. **MMA Ballot** – Select Board received a ballot to vote on an MMA Ballot. Cathy Thomas said she would vote.
- d. **911 Addressing Old Cedar Grove Rd.** Pete Coughlin is working making a 911 address for the parking lot are located at the entrance of the Riverwalk area.

9. Tabled Items

- a. **Pinkham Rd – Togus Stream**
- b. **Engine 23 Disposition (2024)**

10. Town Announcements & Information

**Monday closed
Tuesday 12 – 6 pm
Wednesday 10 – 7 pm
 Recycling 4 – 7 pm
Thursday 8 – 5 pm
Friday 9 – 2 pm
Saturday Recycling 8 – 1 pm**

- a. **Next SB Work Session(s): July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (9 am)**
- b. **Next SB Meeting(s): July 3, 17, 24, Aug 5, 12, 18 (6 pm)**
- c. **Planning Board: July 11 (6:30 pm)**
- d. **Appeals Board:**
- e. **Ordinance Review Committee July 8 (9:30am) & July 25 (6 pm)**
- f. **Personnel Committee:**
- g. **Riverwalk: July 1 (6 pm)**
- h. **Pittston Historical Society: July 9 (6 pm)**

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11. Meeting Adjournment 7:25 pm Approved 3-0

Respectfully submitted
by: _____
Marie-Anne Flowers

7-3-24

Date

Jane H Hubert, Selectperson Chair

07/03/24

Date

Cathy Thomas, Selectperson

7/3/24

Date

Joseph Caputo, Selectperson

07/3/2024

Date