

ORIGINAL

**Town of Pittston
Select Board Meeting Minutes
November 06, 2024**



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

Other Town Officials Present: Sam Snow (Road Commissioner), Autumn DeVries (ORC)

Recorder: Marie-Anne Flowers (Administrative Assistant)

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance:

2. Approval of October 30, 2024 Minutes: Approved 3-0

3. Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrants:

a. **PAYROLL # 2495 @ \$5,493.16 - Approved 3-0**
#2497 @ \$121.11 Approved 3-0

b. **AP WARRANT # 2494 @ \$38,095.58 - Approved 3-0**

4. Open Public Speaker(s)

5. Road Business (OLD)

a. **Jewett Rd:** Sam Snow suggested that the police are called if people are misusing the road. Sam also mentioned that game cameras had been used to observe the road in the past, but he had been asked by Kerri Ferris and Jane Hubert to return the game cameras to the town office some time ago. Sam stated that he had returned one of the cameras, and it should be here at the town office. He does not know where the other camera went. Sam also stated that the Jewett Rd sign on the S. Beech Hill Rd. side is missing. Marie-Anne Flowers will order a new sign, and will also follow up with Sam regarding the complaint of overweight vehicles and thru traffic use of the road.

b. **Pinkham Rd – Togus Stream:** no update

c. **Road Plan for 2025 Budget figures:** Sam Snow stated that he will request the excise reserve balance from Christian Jensen (Treasurer, Tax Collector, Office Supervisor), and that he is working on a budget for roads.

6. Road Business (NEW)

a. **Blodgett Road Acceptance Description:** There was a request for information from Lisa Merrill regarding the paving history of the Blodgett Road. Sam Snow stated that any information on the Blodgett Road should be in the files in the basement. The Select Board will research this matter.

7. General Town Business (OLD)

a. **Autumn DeVries ORC – Update:** LD2003 was discussed. Ben Averill will meet with the ORC on Nov. 14, 2024 @ 9am to address questions related to LD2003. Pittston has public water and sewer in very limited areas, so septic and well usage is an issue when determining how many dwelling units can be added to 2 acres when all dwelling units will require a septic system.

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- b. Entrance Extension – Update:** The entrance extension was completed before the November 5, 2024 election.
- c. RiverWalk:** Jean Ambrose attended the meeting to discuss the updated survey draft that the RiverWalk Group intends to mail to residents regarding the use of the RiverWalk and the town interest in investing town money into the RiverWalk area. Jean Ambrose is requesting the use of the town office copier, postage and envelopes, and intends to invoice the cost from the RiverWalk account. Christian Jensen will need to be asked if that is possible. A copy of the DEP report is needed. The town has approved \$1500.00 for the RiverWalk in the past. There has been contact with 3 landscape architects for this project. Once the results are collected from the survey, the issue can be addressed at the March town meeting.
- d. Colburn School – Update:** There is a meeting with an engineer to evaluate the building on Nov 21, 2024 @ 1pm and will cost \$750.00. This is necessary to obtain insurance for the building.

8. General Town Business (NEW)

- a. Request Committees, Boards, Departments and staff Budget Needs:** Marie-Anne Flowers had asked Peter Coughlin to post this information to the website but nothing has been posted. Marie-Anne will send another request. The recycling group submitted some information, and plans to meet Nov. 7, 2024 to discuss budgeting issues. Marie-Anne will Send out another request if no information is received by next week.
- b. Review Audit:** A new auditor needs to be selected. One has already been contacted and Christian Jensen has two others to contact.
- c. Handyman Hiring:** will be discussed during executive session
- d. Recycling Attendant Assistant:** will be discussed during executive session
- e. Election Review:** Compliments for the election staff were shared by Jane Hubert.

**9. Executive Session (Personnel) 1.M.R.S.A.§405(6)(A) 7:28 pm
Returned 7:59 pm**

10. Tabled Items

- a. Engine 23 Disposition (2024)**
- b. Fiscal Year**
- c. North Beech Hill Road Plan**
- d. Salt Shed Repair**
- e. Tax Club**
- f. Personnel Budgeting Letter**
- g. Municipal Calendar**

11. Town Announcements & Information

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Monday closed
Tuesday 12 – 6 pm
Wednesday 10 – 7 pm
Thursday 8 – 5 pm
Friday 9 – 2 pm
Saturday Recycling 8 – 3 pm

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- a. Next SB Work Session(s): Nov 18, 25 Dec 02, 09, 16, 23, 30 (9 am)
- b. Next SB Meeting(s): Nov 13, 20 Dec 04, 11, 18, Jan 2 (**THURSDAY**) (6 pm)
- c. Planning Board: Nov 14 (6:30 pm)
- d. Ordinance Review Committee: Nov 14 - Jan 23 (9 am)
- e. Riverwalk: Dec 2 (6 pm)
- f. Pittston Historical Society: Nov 12 (6 pm) Town Office
- g. Joint Board meeting: Jan 27 (6pm)
- h. Appeals Board:
- i. Personnel Committee:
- j. Budget Committee: Nov 21 (6 pm)
- k. Hearing for Recall Ordinance: Nov 13 (6 pm)

12. Meeting Adjournment: 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted
by: _____

Marie-Anne Flowers

11.13.24

_____ Date

Jane H Hubert, Selectperson Chair

11/13/24

_____ Date

Cathy Thomas, Selectperson

11/13/24

_____ Date

Joseph Caputo, Selectperson

11/13/2024

_____ Date

