

**Town of Pittston
Select Board Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2024**



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

Other Town Officials Present:

Recorder: Marie-Anne Flowers (Administrative Assistant)

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance:

2. Approval of December 04, 2024 Minutes: 2 - 0 -1 Approved (Cathy Thomas abstained. She was not at the 12/04/24 meeting)

3. Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrants:

- a. PAYROLL #2506 @ \$ 18,531.89 – Approved 3-0
- b. AP WARRANT #2505 @ \$257,964.08 – Approved 3-0

4. Open Public Speaker(s)

5. Road Business (OLD)

- a. Jewett Rd: No update
- b. Pinkham Rd – Togus Stream: No update.
- c. Blodgett Rd: Sam Snow inquired if a Dirigo bridge was going to be used and if so, would it be built to state specifications. The select board stated that no decisions have been made regarding the road, and type of bridge to be installed.

6. Road Business (NEW)

7. General Town Business (OLD)

- a. **Naumkeag Scholarship:** Marie-Anne Flowers will contact Jeff Hanley and ask him to contact Jane Hubert regarding the scholarship. Linda Caputo will research with the high school guidance councilor for direction.
- b. **2025 Budget:** Is in draft form and will continue to be worked on.
- c. **RiverWalk:**
 - i. Jean Ambrose is asking for the key to the RiverWalk so that the debris can be removed. She is asking to hold onto the key for a week while the work is being done. The select board will allow Jean Ambrose to sign out the key for the time needed.
 - ii. The RiverWalk newsletter will not be added to the town website as is, due to errors.
 - iii. Landscaping Architects will be sending proposals. The RiverWalk group would like copies of the proposals. The select board has agreed to give the RiverWalk group copies of any proposals received.
 - iv. The select board asked Jean Ambrose how the RiverWalk group felt about the survey results. Jean Ambrose stated that they feel

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positive about the results. The survey information was needed for the grant. The select board questioned how the results would be considered if only a small percentage of the surveys were returned. Jean Ambrose stated that she wasn't sure, and would know more after the grant is applied for.

- v. Jason Corliss asked about the results of the DEP testing. Joe Caputo explained the v-wrap requirement due to lead that has been found in the RiverWalk area. Up to 10 sites were tested by DEP.
- vi. Jason Corliss questioned if this decision should or can be voted on at the March town meeting instead of having the select board decide.

8. General Town Business (NEW)

- a. **Salt Shed Loader Disposition:** The select board is suggesting that the loader be sold because it is not in use currently. Sam Snow stated that the loader is currently not in operation as it needs an alternator and a solenoid. It has not been started in over a year. The select board has asked Wayne Peaslee to price the repair and submit the price to the select board. .
- b. **Todd Lindstrom:** Spoke to the select board regarding the FOAA he requested regarding legal fees paid by the select board since 2022. He is concerned by the amount of money spent on legal services and is questioning why legal services are not being voted on at public meetings. The select board has requested that Todd Lindstrom forward his presentation to them for review. Todd Lindstrom has submitted questions for the select board to answer. The select board has accepted the questions and will review them and address them at a future meeting after questioning MMA on how to handle the questions. Todd Lindstrom is only submitting his questions but will not allow the select board to review his full presentation even though they have requested it.

9. 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**

10. Town Announcements & Information

**Monday closed
Tuesday 8 am – 5 pm**

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Wednesday 8 am – 6 pm
Thursday 8 am– 5 pm
Friday 7 am – 1 pm
Saturday Recycling 8 – 3 pm

ORIGINAL

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- a. Next SB Work Session(s): Dec 16, 23, 30 Jan 6, 13, 27 (9 am)
- b. Next SB Meeting(s): Dec 18, Jan 2 (**THURSDAY**), 8, 15, 22, 29 (6 pm)
- c. Planning Board: Dec 12 (6:30 pm)
- d. Ordinance Review Committee: Jan 23 (9 am)
- e. Riverwalk: Jan 6 (6 pm)
- f. Pittston Historical Society:
- g. Joint Board meeting: Jan 27 (6pm)
- h. Appeals Board:
- i. Personnel Committee:
- j. Budget Committee:

11. Meeting Adjournment: 7:02 PM

Respectfully submitted
by: Marie-Anne Flowers  12.18.24
Marie-Anne Flowers _____ Date

Jane H Hubert  12/18/24
Jane H Hubert, Selectperson Chair _____ Date

Cathy Thomas  12/18/24
Cathy Thomas, Selectperson _____ Date

Joseph Caputo  12/18/2024
Joseph Caputo, Selectperson _____ Date

