

**Town of Pittston
Select Board Work Session Minutes
December 30, 2024**

ORIGINAL

Board Members Present: Jane Hubert (Chair), Joe Caputo, Cathy Thomas
Other Town Officials Present: Christian Jensen (Treasurer, Tax Collector, Office Supervisor), Joshua Johnson (Fire Chief)
Recorder: Marie-Anne Flowers (Administrative Assistant)

1. Call to Order: 9:00 AM

2. Approval of December 23, 2024 Minutes: approved 2-0-0 (Joe Caputo was not in attendance for the 12/23/24 meeting.)

3. Executive Session (Personnel) 1.M.R.S.A.§405(6)(A) 3-0 approved
9:02 am – 10:04 am

4. Road Business (OLD)

a. Major Road Projects

- i. **Pinkham Road - Togus Stream:** no update
- ii. **Jewett Road (need update from legal):** Letter from Skelton, Taintor & Abbott will be reviewed at the next select board Meeting on Jan.2, 2025.

b. Medium Road Repair (>\$5,000)

c. Small Road Repair (<\$5,000)

- i. **Old County Rd (muddy):** the road complaint was acknowledged.
- ii. **Webb Rd (Potholes):** The select board oversaw the pot hole repairs.

5. Road Business (NEW)

Trash Dumped Old Cedar Grove Rd: 12/24/24 jettisoned trash was reported to the select board. The Road Commissioner was notified and asked for a solution, RC has yet to respond to the inquires.

6. General Town Business (OLD)

a. Budget items

- i. **Compensation for All Positions:** In progress/budget work session
- ii. **Recycling Concrete Pad:** an estimate was received. Joe Caputo inquired about the location of the purposed slab, if it



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could be relocated without interfering with winter plowing, thus setting up a potential for long term future build. The location needs more evaluation.

- iii. **First Responders Monument:** Cathy Thomas will reach out to Duane Tobey regarding the budgetary request for a 1st responder monument at Riverside Cemetery Annex.

- b. **Performance Reviews:** in progress.
- c. **Renaming of Roads @ 911 Addressing:** Jane Hubert will contact Peter Coughlan for a 911 addressing update.
- d. **Nehumkeag Scholarship:** Several unsuccessful attempts to meet/review qualifications have been made. No change in qualifications.
- e. **Colburn School:** Marie-Anne will contact Greg Hickman's office to inquire who insures the Colburn House. MMA Insurance has denied coverage on the Colburn School. Other options need to be researched. This will not affect current MMA policies per phone call and emails with Jacob Waxler, MMA underwriter.

7. General Town Business (NEW)

- a. **911 Addressing Ordinance Update:** Peter Coughlan submitted suggested updates, draft dated 12/29/2024, for the addressing Ordinance for review at the next select board meeting.
- b. **Review Warrant Articles:** The select board reviewed the warrant articles for the upcoming budget.
- c. **Secure Records Storage Request:** The select board is researching options for long term storage of vital records, as well as storage for supplies.
- d. **Chief Johnson:** The Chief was present, at Joe Caputo's request, for fire coverage during the Blodgett Road Culvert construction to manage potential 911 calls during construction.

8. Tabled Agenda Items

- a. **North Beech Hill Rd Plan:**
- b. **Salt Shed Seal Repair:**
- c. **Tax club:**
- d. **Engine 23 Disposition (2024):**
- e. **Recycling Bulletin Board Request:**



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f. **Blodgett Road Acceptance:**

9. Town Announcements & Information

Monday: Closed
Tuesday, 12/31/2024: 8 am – 1 pm
Wednesday, 01/01/2025: CLOSED
Thursday: 8 am – 5 pm
Friday: 7 am – 1 pm
Saturday Recycling 8 – 3 pm

**TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 31 & JANUARY 01,
2025 FOR NEW YEARS**

- a. **Next SB Work Session(s): Jan 6, 13, 27 (9 am)**
- b. **Next SB Meeting(s): Jan 2 (THURSDAY), 8, 15, 22 (6 pm)**
- c. **Joint Board Meeting: Jan 27 (6 pm)**
- d. **Planning Board: Feb 13 (6:00 pm)**
- e. **Ordinance Review Committee: Jan 23 (9 am)**
- f. **RiverWalk: Jan 6 (6 pm)**
- g. **Pittston Historical Society:**
- h. **Appeals Board:**
- i. **Budget Committee: Jan 8 (6:30 pm)**
- j. **Personnel Committee:**
- k. **Fiscal Year Change Presentation: Jan 13 (1 pm) & Jan 16 (6 pm)**
- l. **Land Use Ordinance Hearing: Jan 28 (6 pm)**

10. Meeting Adjournment: 12:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Marie-Anne Flowers, Admin Assistant

Date

Jane H Hubert, Selectperson Chair

Date

Catherine Thomas, Selectperson

Date

Joseph Caputo, Selectperson

Date



