

TOWN HALL 3 EAST MAIN ROAD PERU, MA 01235

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES: May 18, 2026 @ 6:00 P.M.

Town Hall Meeting Room

Verne Leach, Chair Selectman
Samuel Haupt, Selectman
Edward Munch Selectman
Terry Walker, Recording Secretary
Bruce Cullett, Police Chief
Jonathon Mejias, Assessor
Shana Lecours, Assessor
Branden Mascolo, Assessor

Public Attendees:

Item 1: Call to order: 6:00 P.M.

Item 2: Selectboard Roll Call: Chairman Leach present, Selectman Haupt present, Selectman Munch present

Item 3: State Recording status: Town Administrator Walker, Selectman Leach recording for personal reasons under exemption E.

Item 4: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Led by Selectman Leach

Item 5: Review and approve BOS meeting minutes for 5/11/2026: Selectman Leach motion to accept minutes pending changes, Selectman Munch second, 3-0.

Item 6: Update from Departments:

Assessors:

Assessor Mejias mentioned that all change of address issues for residents is going smoothly and the Assessors are working with the Building Inspector to have access to building permits on Permiteyes. Assessor Mejias reported that out of 558 parcels 60% were not inspected in the last 10 years and not in compliance. The Assessors drafted a letter which will be mailed to all taxpayers notifying them that their property needs to be inspected and must be in compliance with the state. The homeowner may refuse entry, but the letter covers all bases for the Board of Assessors. Assessor Mejias mentioned that the duties in the Assessor's office weren't being done to the fullest. The BOS agreed that the letter could be mailed to all taxpayers. Chief Cullett asked with how many undeveloped parcels were included in the 329 parcels that were not inspected. Selectman Haupt mentioned that if a Reval occurs every three years Patriots Properties should be held accountable. Further discussion was placed on hold.

Selectman Munch:

Selectman Munch attended a Northern Berkshire Solid Waste meeting, and the state is asking all towns to reduce their waste by 50% by 2030. Selectman Munch also mentioned that if anyone is having trouble paying for stickers there is "The Good Neighbor Program" that may pay for stickers for seniors in need. Also, the transfer station needs better signage.

Selectman Leach:

Selectman Leach brought up an issue about a resident asking TA Walker if he could rent town property at 40 East Main Road to sell firewood. Selectman Leach mentioned that the resident told Selectman Leach that TA Walker told him he could not speak to Selectman Leach. TA Walker clarified the issue stating that she had told the resident he would need to attend a BOS meeting and bring this before the entire Selectboard. TA Walker told him that Public Comment is typically for questions such as his and this is where the entire board makes decisions. TA Walker mentioned that she always directs residents to attend a BOS meeting if she doesn't have the answer. She mentioned that she also instructed Linda Zanboni to attend a BOS meeting last week. Selectman Leach reiterated that TA Walker should not tell residents they cannot speak to a Selectman. TA Walker apologized for the confusion and stated she did not tell the resident he could not speak to Selectman Leach. Selectman Munch felt that there wasn't a need for TA Walker to apologize.

Item 7: Discussion and possible vote on Articles and finalizing the Annual Town Meeting Warrant: Selectman Leach motion to approve revisions to Article 34, and approve Annual Town Meeting Warrant, Selectman Haupt second, 3-0.

Item 8: Discussion and possible vote on Berkshire Regional Planning Commission Planning Contract amendments: Selectman Leach motion to accept and sign BRPC contract, Selectman Munch second, 3-0.

Item 9: Review and sign Annual Town Election Warrant: Selectman Leach motion to approve Annual Town Election Warrant, Selectman Haupt second, 3-0.

Item 10: Public Input: N/A

Item 11: Adjourn: Selectman Leach made a motion to adjourn the 5/18/2026 BOS Meeting, Selectman Munch second, Vote 3-0. The 5/18/2026 BOS Meeting adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Articles used:

- Minutes 5/11/2026
- ATM Warrant
- BRPC Planning Contract
- Assessor letter
- Local Election Warrant
- Updated Free Cash spreadsheet

Terry Walker
Recording Secretary

Verne Leach, Chairman

Samuel Haupt, Selectman

Edward Munch, Selectman

Verne Leach
Samuel Haupt
Ed Munch

Date Approved: 6/8/26

Received 6/15 2026
Kim Leach, Town Clerk

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Berkshire, ss**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Peru, in said County.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Peru, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Fire Station, 11 East Main Road Peru, MA on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 6:00 PM for the Annual Town Meeting, then and there to take action on the following articles, namely:

Article 1: To choose a Moderator for the Annual Town Meeting if the elected Moderator is absent or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the several Town Officers, or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the Central Berkshire Regional School District FY27 Assessment, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Net Operating Assessment	\$ 1,083,751.00
Capital Assessment	<u>156,297.00</u>
Total Town of Peru Assessment	\$1,240,048.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 4: Citizens Petition: Petition to the Town of Peru to change the position of Town Clerk as described under MGL c41 section 1 from an elected to an appointed position:

Article 5: Citizens Petition: The Board of Selectmen shall be required to schedule the Peru Annual Town Meeting no later than the second Saturday in May at 5:00 p.m.

Article 6: Citizens Petition: Petition the Town of Peru in accordance with MGL Ch. 32B section 20 to create an Other Post-Employment Benefits Fund for the current and future liabilities of the Town for group health insurance benefits for the retirees and their dependents which fund may be expended by a 2/3 vote of a Town Meeting, and designate a trustee or trustees, and further, to direct that such trustee or trustees adopt and file a declaration of trust and take all other actions as required by said section , or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, to fix the salaries of all elected officers as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of M.G. L., for FY27 or take any other action relative thereto:

Selectboard	
Member	\$ 3,906.50
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Town Clerk	\$15,450.00
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.	

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, to fix the salaries of the following appointed officers for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Assessors'	
Lead Assessor	\$22,496.20
Assessor #1	4,006.03
Assessor	2,732.81
Treasurer	16,068.00
Tax Collector	16,068.00
Accounting Services	35,100.00
Animal Control Officer	2,088.19
Police Chief	82,400.00
Inspector of Animals	1,037.46
Veterans' Agent	546.02
Council on Aging Director	1.00
Fire Chief	6,180.00
Cemetery Sexton	772.00
Town Auditor	1.00
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.	

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or take any other action relative thereto:

Assessors' Salaries	\$ 29,235.04
Selectmen's Salary	11,719.49
Tax Collector's Salary	16,068.00
Town Clerk's Salary	15,450.00
Treasurer's Salary	16,068.00
Accounting Services	35,100.00
Assessing Services	25,000.00
Animal Control Officer's Salary	2,088.19
Inspector of Animals Salary	1,037.46
Veterans' Agent Salary	546.02

Council on Aging Director	1.00
Fire Chief	6,180.00
Police Chief	82,400.00
Cemetery Sexton Salary	772.00
Town Auditor	1.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following wage accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Recording Secretary	\$ 5,304.50
Elections & Registrar's Account	8,340.00
Board of Registrar's Pay Town Clerk	100.00
Assistant Town Clerk	2,575.00
Compactor Attendants	9,446.25
Town Administrator's Salary	41,200.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Assessors' Expense	\$ 1,000.00
Bank Service Expense	100.00
Animal Control Officer's Expense	1,000.00
Selectmen & Other Expenses	2,500.00
Tax Collector's Expenses	1,500.00
Tax Collector's Tax Taking Charges	2,000.00
Town Clerk's Expense	2,595.00
Town Report Expense	2,000.00
Treasurer	1,500.00
Treasurer Tax Title Expense	6,000.00
Board of Appeals Expense	100.00
U.S. Postal Expense	5,000.00
Health Department Expense	16,402.00
Hogweed Eradication	750.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Assessors' Annual Computer Support	\$ 2,400.00
Computer Supplies & Maintenance IT	22,450.00
Treas./Acct. Annual Computer Support	15,370.92
Tax Collector's Annual Computer Support	12,580.82

Assessors' Tax Map Maintenance	2,600.00
Continuing Education	3,000.00
Office Supplies	2,000.00
Assessor Utility Appraisal	4,500.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Conservation Commission Expense	\$ 500.00
Interest on Loans	17,000.00
Legal Expense	9,000.00
Officers' Mileage	1,500.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in Support of this article.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Elderly Outreach	\$ 1.00
Council on Aging Expense	1.00
Veterans Service	6,000.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Medicare – Town Share	\$ 6,900.00
Health Ins/Life & Dental	185,000.00
Town Insurance - All	43,553.00
Mass. Unemployment Insurance	600.00
CHUBB Insurance	7,381.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Partridge Field Playground Trust	\$ 1,500.00
Peru Library	23,256.00
Mowing: Cemeteries, Town Hall, Town Park and Town Green:	7,300.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Town Buildings' Maintenance	\$ 15,000.00
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Town Building Maint. Salary	6,180.00
Utilities – Electric	15,000.00
Utilities – Heating	21,000.00
Utilities - Telephone	1,800.00
Internet Communication Lines	7,250.00
Town Website Design, Hosting, & Support	1,500.00
Town Hall Janitorial Services	4,900.00
Cemetery Expense	500.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27 or to take any other action relative thereto:

Compactor	\$ 40,000.00
Northern Berkshire Solid Waste District	3,420.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Berk. County Reg. Planning Comm.	\$ 746.26
Berk. County Retirement Assessment	66,990.00
Hinsdale Ambulance	3,000.00
Town Fire Station Mortgage Payment	13,752.88
Police Wages	29,380.75
Police Expenses	8,539.00
Police Cruiser Maintenance	3,850.00
Police Continuing Education	3,000.00
Emergency Management Expenses	1,000.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Peru Volunteer Fire Department Operating Expenses	\$ 25,000.00
Peru Volunteer Fire Department Insurances	6,000.00
Peru Volunteer Fire Department Building Maintenance	2,000.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts for FY27, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Gas & Fuel Account	\$ 33,000.00
Maintain Hard Surface Roads	28,000.00
Material, Gravel Roads	25,000.00
Road Machinery Maintenance	30,000.00
Snow Roads, Public	95,500.00

Town Highways & Bridges	20,000.00
Town Highway Garage Mortgage Payment	12,020.00
Highway Employee Wage Acct.	120,000.00
Highway Superintendent Salary	81,954.52
Highway Department Uniforms	3,800.00
Tree Removal	25,000.00
Temporary Summer Help	8,000.00
Highway Garage Maintenance	3,000.00

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the vocational education and transportation accounts for FY27, or take any other action relative thereto:

Vocational School Tuition	\$203,031.00
Vocational School Transportation	\$74,887.20

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Forty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Eighty Three Cents, (\$48,529.83) or any other sums, for overage in Snow Roads, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Ten Thousand Six Hundred Nine Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents, (\$10,609.25), or any other sum, to fund sandblasting and painting highway department plows, including all costs incidentals or related thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$7,500.00), or any other sum, to purchase a new tractor mount 3-point hitch leaf blower or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 26: To see if the Town will transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred and Zero Cents, (\$4,500.00), or any other sum, to replace floor drain grates at the highway garage, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 27: To see if the Town will transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$50,000.00), or any other sum, to the Future Equipment Account or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 28: To see if the Town will transfer from Free Cash the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents, (\$22,000.00), or any other sum, for a Financial Town Audit for FY25, including all costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action relative thereto:
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 29: To see if the Town will transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Forty-One Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents, (\$41,000.00), or any other sum, to reduce the FY27 tax rate, or take any other action relative thereto.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 30: To see if the Town will Transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents, (\$5,000.00), or any other sum, these funds will be expended to purchase new laptops to use at Town Hall and within all town departments, or take other action relative thereto.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$10,000.00), or any other sum, to the Reserve Fund for FY27 or take any other action relative thereto.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$9,364.00), or any other sum, to pay an additional Fire Station principal mortgage payment, or take any other action relative thereto.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of One Hundred and Four Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents, (\$104.76), or any other sum, to pay a FY25 AT&T invoice, or take any other action relative thereto.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in support of this article.
4/5 quantum of vote is required.

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote:

1. To amend Article 37 of the By-laws of the Town of Peru General Bylaws to establish a revolving fund, pursuant to G.L. c.44, sec. 53E1/2, entitled "Board of Health Fees", for which the receipt of payments for fines and inspections shall be credited to the fund and where such funds may be expended for cyclical public health activities, including but not limited to, offering immunizations and health clinics and to pay part-time contract health agents or nurses, with authorization for use by the Town Treasurer, provided that no more than \$1,500.00 may be expended from the Board of Health Fees Revolving Fund during Fiscal Year 2027;
2. To amend Article 37 of the By-Laws of the Town of Peru General Bylaws to establish a revolving fund, pursuant to G.L. c.44, sec. 53E1/2, entitle "Firearms Licensing Fees" for which the receipt of payments of firearms licensing applications shall be credited to the fund and funds may be expended for costs associated with the processing of firearms applications, with authorization for use by the Town Treasurer, provided that no more than

\$3,000.00 may be expended from the Firearms Licensing Fees Revolving Fund during Fiscal Year 2027; and

3. To amend Article 37 of the By-laws of the Town of Peru General Bylaws to set the spending limit of the Town's Inspectional Services Revolving Fund at \$25,000.00 as set forth in the By-law and by deleting "FY2019" as found in Article 37 and replacing it with "FY2027" or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectman and Finance Committee in support of this article.

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to adopt as Article 39 of the Town's General By-laws the following non-criminal disposition by-law in accordance with G.L. c. 40, § 21D, or to take any other action relative thereto:

Article 39. NONCRIMINAL DISPOSITION BY-LAW:

1. Any by-law of the Town of Peru, or rule or regulation of its officers, boards or departments, may in the discretion of the Town official who is the appropriate enforcing person, be enforced through noncriminal disposition as provided in G.L. c. 40, § 21D. The specific penalty for purposes of noncriminal disposition for each such violation, if not otherwise specified, shall be as follows:

First violation – warning

Second violation - \$50

Third violation - \$100

Fourth and subsequent violations - \$300

2. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation for purposes of this by-law.
3. The term "enforcing person" as used in this by-law shall mean: any Town of Peru police officer with respect to any offense; as well as the Fire Chief and Fire Inspector, Town Administrator, Highway Superintendent, Animal Control Officer/Inspector, Building Commissioner, Conservation Commission or its agent, Board of Health or its agent, Zoning Board of Appeals or its agent, and their designees, and such other officials as the Select Board may from time to time designate, each with respect to violation of by-laws, rules and regulations within their respective jurisdictions. If more than one official has jurisdiction in a given case, any such official may be an enforcing person with respect thereto.
4. Any particular fine specified in a by-law shall be included on a list maintained in the office of the Town Clerk.
5. The fines set forth in the notice of violation issued in accordance with this By-law shall be payable to the Town within 21 days of the date set forth on the notice or, if the person so notified seeks to contest the violation, such person may request a hearing before the Pittsfield District Court. The person so notified may also seek to resolve the matter locally by appealing the issuance of the notice, in writing, to the Town Administrator no later than 14 days following the date of the notice of violation. The Town Administrator or the Administrator's designee shall, no later than 20 days following the date of the notice of violation, decide the appeal, or hold a hearing to determine such additional facts as may be necessary. If the person so

notified is dissatisfied with the Town Administrator's determination and resolution, they may contest the violation as set forth in the notice by seeking a hearing before the Pittsfield District Court in accordance with G.L. c. 40, § 21D. The Administrator's failure to make a determination within the time set forth herein shall be construed for purposes of this paragraph as a determination to void the notice of violation.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Chapter 90 funds that are, or may become, available to the town during FY27 Roadway Projects and Repairs, and to authorize the Treasurer to borrow such amounts in anticipation of reimbursement by the Commonwealth or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, or other Town Departments with the approval of the Board of Selectman, to apply for and accept grants from the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source, and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ATTEST:

This is a true copy.

Kim Leach
Town Clerk
Certified: May _____, 2026

You are directed to serve this warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk or the Board of Selectmen at the time and place of said meeting.
Given under our hands this _____ day of May 2026.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Verne Leach, Chairman

Edward Munch, Member

Samuel Haupt, Member

I have served this Warrant as directed above.

Places of Posting: Bulletin Board/Town Hall/Transfer Station/Library/Community Center/Website: Townofperuma.com

ATTEST:

Constable

Date

Time

Posted: May _____, 2026

Agreement Between

Berkshire Regional Planning Commission
(Host Agency)
One Fenn St
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(On Behalf of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance)

And

The Town of Peru
3 E Main Rd,
Peru, MA 01235

This AGREEMENT, made as of July 1, 2026, is by and between the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, hereafter the "COMMISSION" as Host Agency on behalf of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance, hereafter "ALLIANCE", and the Town of Peru, hereafter "MEMBER," jointly referred to as the parties.

Whereas, municipalities in Berkshire County have entered into an Inter-municipal Agreement (IMA) to create the ALLIANCE, with the COMMISSION as Host Agency,

Whereas, public health nursing services are sought by the MEMBER, and the MEMBER agrees that Alliance staff providing the service(s) are acting under the direction and control and on the behalf of the Member Board of Health, and shall be appointed as Public Health Nurses by the Member Board of Health,

Now, therefore, the parties agree as follows:

- I. The ALLIANCE agrees to provide the following public health nursing services under this contract:
 1. Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN) surveillance, investigation and follow-up (105 CMR 300): Receive and process information for reportable and communicable disease daily through MAVEN and to implement appropriate follow up measures and interventions;
 2. Disease outbreaks: investigation and implementation of follow up measures and interventions. In the case of an active tuberculosis case or other large-scale outbreak this includes the initial disease investigation and the establishment of a community plan to address direct care observation mandates and other obligations required by the State Department of Public Health;
 3. Health Promotion and Community Wellness and Assessment: To provide accessible monitoring of health risks to the community, community health education programs, health promotion and screening as necessary in accordance with accepted standards of care, and social services support for the Member Board of Health, to include 1-3 wellness events at

town hall or another location. The Town of Peru will also be given priority for all grant-funded public health nursing activities that may arise.

4. **Vaccine Clinics:** Address community health through administration of vaccinations, including public flu clinics. Recipients may be asked for insurance information. At least one vaccine clinic will be held annually under this contract in the Member community, which will include flu vaccines and potentially COVID vaccines as decided by the Alliance Governing Board. Vaccine clinics will be scheduled in conjunction with the Board of Health and other departments or organizations as requested, and may be directed to specific sub-populations (e.g., elderly, school children, municipal employees, etc.) or locations if requested;
5. **Reporting:** Provide the Member Board of Health with statistics regarding members of the community served through quarterly reporting. At a minimum, the information provided will include: number of reportable diseases and follow-up, number of flu shots given, and other health promotion statistics. Regional statistics, as available, will also be provided.

II. Terms of Agreement.

This AGREEMENT shall be in effect from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029. Beginning on July 1, 2026, and each July 1 thereafter, the annual price will increase 4%, as voted on by the full Alliance Governing Board. The ALLIANCE will bill the Town of Peru on a quarterly basis, according to the table below. A reminder of the yearly increase will be provided in writing prior to the date of the increase. The first quarterly payment shall be due on July 1, 2026. Subsequent payments shall be due on October 1, January 1, and April 1, each year. Full payment may be made at any time at the discretion of the MEMBER.

	Yearly	Quarterly
FY27	\$2,402.40	\$600.60
FY28	\$2,498.50	\$624.62
FY29	\$2,598.44	\$649.61

This AGREEMENT may only be amended as agreed to in writing by the parties.

Withdrawal from this contract may be made by either party upon 90 days written notice. In case of withdrawal by the MEMBER, the COMMISSION shall be entitled to compensation for services provided to the date of withdrawal.

In witness thereof the COMMISSION (on behalf of the ALLIANCE) and the MEMBER have executed this agreement as of the date above written.

BRPC (COMMISSION):

By _____

Thomas Matuszko, Executive Director
One Fenn St
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Date: _____

Town of Peru (MEMBER):

By _____
_____ (title)

Date: _____

3 E Main Rd,
Peru, MA 01235

TOWN OF PERU
ASSESSORS' OFFICE

3 EAST MAIN ROAD – SUITE 104 - PERU, MA 01235

TELEPHONE # (413) 655-8312 ext. 104

Dear Taxpayer,

It has come to our attention that your property has not been inspected in the last 10 years. We aim to inspect all properties in Town within this time frame.

***Inspections are not mandatory.** As a taxpayer, you reserve the right to refuse entry if you so wish. There is no penalty for refusing an inspection. However, we encourage taxpayers to allow the assessors to conduct inspections to ensure that our parcel data and associated valuation accurately reflect your property.*

Please select from the following options:

- I would like to schedule an inspection of my property.
- I invoke my right to refuse entry with no penalty.

Name of Owner(s): _____

Parcel ID or Address: _____

Please return this form to the assessor's office at your earliest convenience. You may also call or email us with your preference.

Email: assessors@townofperuma.com

Leave us a message: (413) 655-8312 ext 104

The Assessor's Office

Town of Peru

May 16th, 2026

