

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday September 14, 2020, at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald, Supervisor; Mr. Richard Barber, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. James Douglass, Councilman; Mr. Mel Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Matt Favro; Town Attorney, Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk and Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board. Also present, Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer, Mr. Mike Farrell, Highway Superintendent and Mr. Dave Drollette, Dog Control officer.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. McDonald, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Irwin to accept the reports from the following departments into the official record of tonight’s meeting. (Water/Sewer/Valcour; Highway; Town Clerk; Dog Control; Youth Department; Code/Zoning; Supervisor’s Report; Court; Website; and Banking Reports). **NO JCEO REPORT**

Mr. Irwin asked if no JCEO reports was going to continue.
 Mr. McDonald stated he would follow up and find out why the reports are not being submitted.
Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Barber to accept the minutes from the August 24, 2020 Regular Meeting.
Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Community Input
NONE

Computer Policy
 Mr. McDonald stated Primelink will be meeting with Department heads to discuss the updated computer policies. Department heads will then have meetings with their staff. Each employee will be required to sign the policy.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 20.09.14-1

PASSING OF LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2020 PROVIDING FOR SOLAR ENERGY.

MOTION BY: Mr. Bruno SECONDED BY: Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been held on the proposed Local Law on September 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board has before it the proposed Local Law,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that Local Law #1 of 2020 “Solar Energy” is hereby adopted.

Discussion:

Roll Call:	YES	NO
Richard Barber, Jr.	x	
James Douglass	x	
Mel Irwin	x	
Kregg Bruno	x	
Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: Ayes 5 Nays 0

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 20.09.14-2

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TOWN’S SLUDGE REMOVAL AGREEMENT WITH NEW ENGLAND WASTE SERVICES OF ME, INC. (DBA CASELLA ORGANICS) SECOND AMENDMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 AND EXTENDING THE CONTRACT THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

Motion: Mr. Bruno

Second: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the second amendment to the agreement before it between the Town of Peru and NEWS of ME, Inc. for the removal of the Town’s Sewer Plant sludge at a base rate of \$79.00 per wet ton of residuals removed and landfill fees of \$103.00 per wet ton; and

WHEREAS, The agreement has been extended through September 14, 2021,

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, said proposed agreement is approved and the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute said agreement.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Tetrault explained this was an annual renewal contract with amendment of \$3.00 increase per wet ton of residuals removed. He stated drying out the residual before going decreases the weight. A larger building for the residuals to dry out is being considered.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Richard Barber, Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	James Douglass	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Planning Board Meeting Start Time Change

Mr. Guynup stated the members would like to change their meeting start time to 6 P.M.
Mr. Favro stated according to Planning Board by laws the amendment to change time must take place in December.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 20.09.14-3

A RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT ROY PERRY TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW FOR ANOTHER FIVE-YEAR TERM.

MOTION: Mr. Douglass

SECOND: Mr. Bruno

WHEREAS, Upon the recommendation of the Clinton County Assessor, Jeremiah Cross, that Roy Perry be reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review (BAR) for a five year term beginning October 1, 2020 and expiring September 30, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Town Board agrees with this recommendation and is hereby reappointing Roy Perry to the Board of Assessment Review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Richard Barber Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	James Douglass	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: Ayes 5 Nays 0

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 20.09.14-4

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PERU AND THE ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

Motion: Mr. Bruno

Second: Mr. Barber

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the agreement before it between the Town of Peru and The Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board; and

WHEREAS, Adirondack town and village funding of the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board has been instrumental in helping the Adirondack communities by providing strong, unified and effective representation on Adirondack policy issues, and

WHEREAS, The agreement has authorized an appropriation in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the services of the Review Board in representing the Town in matters relating to the Adirondack Park.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, said proposed agreement is approved and the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute said agreement.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Bruno questioned if the agreement was necessary. Mr. Favro stated the importance of this Review Board as a liaison for our town if needed.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Richard Barber, Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	James Douglass	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Sewer Project Update

Mr. Tetrault stated extra surveying is completed at the Peru Community Church property. The stakes have been set at the church as requested.

Greg Swart was having much better communication with New York State D.O.T.; 3 crosswalks will be affected instead of 1. The bid is still scheduled to go out in October.

Ms. Barber stated the town and church has received the easements from NYSEG to be signed.

Other Business

Mr. Barber speaking for Mr. Flynn stated the volleyball area is close to completion. There will be 11 players for each soccer team with only 7 players on the field at a time.

Mr. McDonald stated strict guidelines for parents and players to play. Each parent will sign a guideline agreement.

Fuel usage has been all retrieved by Primelink. Carlene will be inputting all data and reloading keys for fuel pumps.

Planning Board meetings will continue with Zoom meetings.

Mr. Tetrault stated a unit to remove chlorine at Valcour station will be purchased in October with funds from the Lake Champlain Basin Grant. Water meters will be read starting September 17, 2020

Mr. Farrell confirmed after meeting with D.E.C. a bridge on Telegraph Road is a definite.

Mr. Drollette stated another dog bite. Dog will be euthanized September 17, 2020

Ms. Barber stated a check was received in the amount of \$ 149.00 from New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal for 50% of remaining capital to NYMIR. Another check in the amount of \$ 225.00 was received from the Diversion Management program. This program offers alternatives for alleged first time, non-violent and tobacco offenders.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Barber to change the Water/Sewer Budget workshop on September 16, 2020 and reschedule September 30, 2020.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

Mr. Tetrault asked for the employee handbook and “step” program (hourly wages) be updated.

Mr. Barber stated the monument on Route 9 owned by D.A.R. will be moved to the Peru Dock. Our town has no ownership of the monument.

Mr. Ryan asked why the Army Corp of Engineers and the D.E.C. did not meet together. Mr. Farrell stated that is not how it is done. Mr. Farrell did say it would be much easier.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 20.09.14-5

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POST-AUDIT PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS, BILLS AND INVOICES OF THE TOWN

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in August 2020:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in August 2020; #202000924 through and including #202000999,
Abstract dated September 11, 2020

For the dollar amount totaling: \$176,535.82, of that, \$15,338.51 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$161,197.31 is remaining to be paid and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds said claims, bills and invoices to be acceptable in form and reasonable in amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that payment of the aforementioned claims, bills and invoices is approved and the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to make such payment; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Richard Barber, Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	James Douglass	x	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Mr. Douglass; seconded by Mr. Barber to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:08 PM.
Ayes 5 Nays 0 ***Motion Carried***

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*
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