

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, **March 14, 2022**, at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald Supervisor; Mr. Ricky Barber, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. James Douglass, Councilman; Mrs. Judy Akey, Deputy Town Clerk. Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board; John Flynn, Youth Director and Mr. Matt Favro, Town Attorney. Mr. Mel Irwin, Councilman, was excused.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01PM by Mr. McDonald, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Bruno, approving 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; JCEO and Banking Reports). **Ayes 4 Nays 0** **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Douglass, approving the minutes from the February 28, 2022 regular meeting. **Ayes 4 Nays 0** **Motion Carried**

Community Input and Questions:

None

RESOLUTION/DISCUSSION: Awarding of Lagoon Project to P & H Senesac, Inc.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2022.3.14-1

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PERU AND CLINTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE ROUTES TO BETTER HEALTH GRANT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the Memorandum Understanding for the Routes to Better Health Grant Award between Clinton County Health Department and the Town of Peru before them, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, said proposed Memorandum of Understanding by the Clinton County Health Department agrees to provide the Town of Peru the sum of \$6,759.45 (Six Thousand seven hundred and fifty nine dollars and forty five cents).

RESOLVED, said proposed Memorandum of Understanding is approved and the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute said contract, AND, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION: Mr. Ricky Barber

SECOND: Mr. Kregg Bruno

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

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION: Use of Heyworth Mason Park by Outside Parties.

Mr. McDonald mentioned that there were some members of the community interested in using Heyworth Mason Park for events such as weddings, anniversaries and birthday parties. They had also asked if they could bring their grills to cook for their events. Questions arose to the safety of the use of grills and whether or not there would be alcohol involved, (considering that all of the parks in Peru are alcohol and smoke free) would we be able to charge for the events, and what about the insurance coverage. Mr. McDonald said he would like to involve Mr. Guynup, the Codes Enforcement Officer, on these issues. There was mention if they were going to do anything for the Adirondack Regional Theater, a non for profit that was thinking on charging a ticket price for a show and how that would be accomplished (possibly could rope off a specific

area for paid tickets.) Also questions arose about the Farmer’s Market. The Board decided to set up a Workshop to discuss the use of the parks.

Motion by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. Barber, to approve the setup of a Workshop to discuss use of the parks on April 11, 2022 at 5:00PM

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION: Approval of Rifenburg’s Pay Application #11.

Motion by Mr. Kregg Bruno; seconded by Mr. Jim Douglass to accept the Contractor’s Application for payment of \$39,900 for the Trunk Sewer Main and Pump Station Reconstruction Project.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION: Department Head Cell Phone Usage.

Tabled and Resolved

DISCUSSION: Extension of Bid Date for Telegraph/Sullivan Roads Culvert Project.

An addendum was issued for the bid opening was extended to April 1, 2022 at 10 am due to the results of the core testing.

DISCUSSION: Acceptance of MOU From Clinton County Health Dept. Grant.

The Agency agrees to provide the Town of Peru \$6,759.45 to increase access to opportunities to walk, bike and exercise. So far, a 9 course disc golf set, signage, a bench, bike racks and a water bottle filling station/fountain are being ordered.

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MOTION: Mr. Kregg Bruno SECOND: Mr. Ricky Barber

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

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION: Sewer Project Update.

Mr. Tetrault stated progress of the project was slow due to the weather. On March 16 and 17 they were going to test the generators and control pumps at the Maiden Lane Pump Station and Sanborn Ave.

DISCUSSION: Other Business.

Mr. Barber was getting ideas and pricing of a temporary building coverage and/or Otter Creek Awnings down by the stage He mentioned a unit that could be removed when summer activities were done by the grounds crew.

Mr. Barber also mentioned he got prices from K & S Auto Body to sand blast and paint the steel for the new bell tower. Plans are progressing well.

Mr. Tetrault mentioned they were very busy with the sewer plant maintenance and a water break to fix on Pleasant St. and Lewis St. along with the all the other duties and two men out to training.

Mr. Tetrault also said that the Town was eligible for a \$25,000 Grant from the Lake Champlain Basin Program, to purchase phosphorous monitoring equipment. Unfortunately, the Town was denied the larger grant.

John Flynn reminded everyone that the Youth Program registration begins March 15th on line only.

Mr. McDonald mentioned that is for \$125,000 SAMS Grant is really difficult to use toward the purchase of property which was being considered.

Mr. Farrell informed the Board that some of the new rules by the DOT state that any town road that meets a state road has control over sidewalk handicap ramps, speed limits, mowing back etc. Also, the town cannot abandon any road even if there is only one house on it.

Mr. McDonald mentioned that Clinton County is accepting Applications for Community Projects through Tobacco Settlement Funding. The County Legislature will be distributing \$100,000 for projects that increase the quality of life experience in Clinton County. Applications are limited to \$15,000 and must be submitted by April 1st. Liz Tedford would write up the application for free, for a Pollinator Garden for this project. A suggestion made on this was an outdoor exercise station.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only.

None

RESOLUTION/DISCUSSION: to Accept Paying of Bills

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2022.3.14-3

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

MOTION: Mr. Jim Douglass SECOND: Mr. Kregg Bruno

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town on March 14, 2022

From Town of Peru Vouchers in April 2021; #202200234 through and including #202100308

Abstract dated 3/10/2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$122,621.22; of that, \$16,463.46 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$106,157.76 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	
	James Douglass	x	
Excused	Mel Irwin		
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass, to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:43PM. **Ayes 4 Nays 0**

Motion Carried

_____ *Supervisor*

_____ *Councilman* _____ *Councilman*

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