

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday April 11, 2022 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald Supervisor; Mr. James Douglass, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Richard Barber; Councilman, Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk. Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent ;(Excused) Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer; Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board, and Mr. John Flynn, Recreation Director.

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

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Irwin to include 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).

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Irwin commented on Mr. Christon not attending town meetings. Mr. McDonald and Mr. Christon have spoken going to part time hours due to social security limitations.

Motion by Mr. Douglass; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2022 meeting.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

Mr. Ryan presented statistics to the board regarding residential home permits, school enrollment and tax rates in Peru and surrounding areas. Mr. Ryan voiced he felt the town was not promoting growth to new developers, existing developers and affordable housing. Mr. Ryan also spoke of his concern of North Bend and School Street homes in great disrepair. Mr. Guynup explained that tickets had been issued and the owners were no show at court. Mr. Guynup also stated the ticket is a misdemeanor. Mr. Ryan stated he had researched more avenues to resolve the issue and Supreme Court is an option. Mr. Bruno stated each town has homes in disrepair. The town cannot use town funds to demolish.

Mr. Alex Gibson addressed the town turnaround on his property on McGarr Road. He stated he did not want the town to improve the area just help him out. The current turnaround is not where he likes it and asks that the town move it, but Mr. Farrell said where Mr. Gibson is proposing it be moved to is of no use to the Town. Mr. Farrell stated this was a legal issue and would be discussing the matter with Mr. Favro.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.04.11-1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, LUCK BROS INC., CONTINGENT UPON THE FINAL REVIEW OF THE BID BY THE TOWN ENGINEER FOR THE TELEGRAPH RD. AND SULLIVAN RD. CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE TOWN OF PERU, NY.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Barber

WHEREAS, notice to bidders has been duly given as required by law for the TELEGRAPH RD. AND SULLIVAN RD. CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT, for the Town of Peru, as described in the plans and specifications; and

WHEREAS, the bid from Luck Bros Inc. is the best and lowest responsible bid for the designated public improvement for the unit price BASE BID of \$1,257,000(One Million two hundred fifty seven thousand dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PERU:

The Supervisor and Clerk of the Town of Peru, NY are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Notice of Award for the base bid with the Contractor, contingent upon the final review of the construction documents of the bid by the Town Engineer and subsequent recommendation by the same for the public improvement as is herein referred to.

RESOLVED, this 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: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Approval of Rifenburg's Payment App # 12

Motion by Mr. Bruno second by Mr. Douglass to approve payment # 12 to Rifenburg in the amount \$ 20,425.00

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.04.11-2

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, LUCK BROS INC., CONTINGENT UPON THE FINAL REVIEW OF THE BID BY THE TOWN ENGINEER AND TOWN LEGAL COUNCIL FOR THE ELM STREET SEWER RECONSTRUCTION FOR THE TOWN OF PERU, NY.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, notice to bidders has been duly given as required by law for the ELM STREET SEWER RECONSTRUCTION, for the Town of Peru, as described in the plans and specifications; and

WHEREAS, the bid from Luck Bros Inc. is the best and lowest responsible bid for the designated public improvement for the unit price BASE BID of \$1,505,000(One Million five hundred five thousand dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PERU:

The Supervisor and Clerk of the Town of Peru, NY are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Notice of Award for the base bid with the Contractor, contingent upon the final review of the bid by the Town Engineer and Town Legal Counsel, for the public improvement as is herein referred to.

RESOLVED, this 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: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Sewer Project Update

Chuck Riccardi project manager for Rifenburg Construction stated Maiden Lane is online. Sanborn Lane will be April 13, 2022.

Other Business

Mr. Dave Dalton sent an e-mail to possibly coordinate a town clean up on Earth Day April 22, 2022. Ms. Barber will be reaching out to Scott Coleman and Mr. Dalton so they can coordinate. Mr. Guynup contacted Sean Lukas who from Casella Waste to see if he can supply the vest, pick up tools and bags as they have done in the past.

Mr. Irwin stated Adirondack Farms had donated cow fertilizer at Sullivan Park and hope to seed within the next couple weeks.

Ms. Barber is scheduling concerts. 16 bands have shown interest with ten openings now as the board decided to increase by the concerts by one. Ms. Barber once again will be picking the names out of the hat and contacting all bands.

Mr. Farrell spoke about salt reduction. Mr. Farrell went to the Town of Hague as they have used the brine program for a couple years. Mr. Farrell stated he is a believer and will continue to obtain information to go forward with the brine usage. As it will be a huge savings for the town as in the future.

Street sweeping is planned to start April 20, 2022.

Beginning July 1, 2022 a class B license will cost \$2,394.00; class A will be \$4,788.00 and 160 hours classroom training.

Mr. McDonald stated the night of April 9th 2022 it was presumed kids were in distress and possibly had fallen into the river as neighbors heard kids yelling multiple times for help. All kids were safe. Thank you to the Peru Fire department as well as Morrisonville and Keeseville, NY State Police and other agencies who responded..

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.04.11-3

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

MOTION: Mr. Douglass

SECOND: Mr. Bruno

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in April 2022:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in April 2022; #202200378 through and including #202200446

Abstract dated 4/6/2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$153,428.53; of that, \$41,201.57 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$112,226.96 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: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Irwin to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:15 PM.
Ayes 5 Noes 0 ***Motion Carried***

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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