

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday May 9, 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 ; 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). **No Court and Dog Control Reports**  
**Ayes 5 Noes 0** **Motion Carried**

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Irwin to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2022 meeting.  
**Ayes 5 Noes 0** **Motion Carried**

**Community Input**  
**NONE**

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; seconded By Mr. Douglass to add 6A to agenda  
5 Ayes 0 Noes

**Youth Commission Emergency Meeting May 6, 2022**

Mr. Flynn stated an emergency meeting was held Friday May 6, 2022 at 7 PM. Details will follow after minutes from the Youth Commission are approved from the emergency meeting.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Barber to approve Resolution: 22.05-9-1

At a Regular Meeting of the Peru Town Board, held at the Meeting Room at the Town of Peru Town Hall Building, 3036 Main Street, Town of Peru, New York on the 9th day of May 2022.

ORDER CALLING PUBLIC HEARING (202b Improvement) TO BE HELD ON MAY 23, 2022 AT 5:45 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRESENT:  
Brandy McDonald, Supervisor  
James Douglass, Councilman  
Melvin Irwin, Councilman  
Richard Barber, Councilman  
Kregg Bruno, Councilman

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IN THE MATTER OF CONSTRUCTION OF,  
AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE TOWN OF  
PERU SEWER DISTRICT NO.1 AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS  
TO DEFREY THE COST THEREOF, \$7,612,477.29  
OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION SERIAL  
BONDS OF THE TOWN OF PERU SHALL BE ISSUED  
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW YORK  
LOCAL FINANCE LAW; AND FURTHER  
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO  
SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE NEW YORK  
STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITES CORPORATION

AND OTHER AGENCIES FOR GRANT FUNDING AND  
FINANCIAL ASSISTENCE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Peru Town Board, Clinton County, New York previously requested AES Northeast, duly licensed engineers in the State of New York (“Engineers”), to prepare a preliminary map, plan, and report, as amended, for the increase and improvement of the Town of Peru Sewer District No. 1 and pursuant to the Town’s direction, the Engineers have completed and filed with the Town Board such preliminary map, plan and report, as amended, and have estimated that the maximum cost thereof has increased to Seven Million Six Hundred Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$7,612,477.29); now therefore be it

**ORDERED**, that a Public Hearing by the Town of Peru Town Board to be held in the Meeting Room at the Town of Peru Town Hall Building, 3036 Main Street, Town of Peru, New York (Clinton County), on the 23rd Day of May at 5:45 O’clock P.M. to consider said increase and improvement of facilities of the Town of Peru Sewer District No. 1 and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same and for such other action on the part of the Town Board with relation thereto as may be required by law; and it is,

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that the Town Clerk publish at least once in The Town of Peru’s official newspaper, the Press Republican, and post on the signboard of the Town maintained pursuant to Town Law 30(6), a copy of this Order, certified by the Town Clerk, the first publication thereof and posting to be not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days before the date of such public hearing.

May 9, 2022

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PERU**

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Brandy McDonald, Supervisor

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James Douglass, Councilman

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Melvin Irwin, Councilman

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Richard Barber, Councilman

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Kregg Bruno, Councilman

5 Ayes 0 Noes

***Approval of Rifenburg’s Payment App #13***

Paper work was not filed in a timely manner to approve.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.05.9.5-2**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF STATE ECONOMIC &  
INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (SEID) FUNDING APPLICATION TO  
THE NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION.**

**MOTION: Mr. Bruno      SECOND: Mr. Irwin**

**WHEREAS**, the NBRC has made available funds for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of infrastructure through the Economic & Infrastructure development investment program, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Peru is in the process of rehabilitating and upgrading the Town’s wastewater treatment plant;

**RESOLVED**, the Town of Peru supervisor is given permission to sign all NBRC documents related to the application for NBRC SEID funds;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Town of Peru Supervisor, should the application be funded, has the right to sign all NBRC documents that bind the applicant;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.05.9-3**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH AROLD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC TO CLEAN, CCTV INSPECTION AND SMOKE TESTING FOR SEWER COLLECTION LINES PROJECT #4980-EPG COLLECTION SYSTEM.**

**MOTION: Mr. Irwin**

**SECOND: Mr. Bruno**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has before it a proposed contract with **Arold Construction Company, LLC, Inc.** to perform the work according to contract documents drawn up by AES, NORTHWEST for the above-mentioned project at a total price not to exceed of \$7,275.00 (Seven thousand two hundred seventy five dollars and no cents);

**RESOLVED**, said proposed contract is approved for Arold Construction Company, LLC will provide labor and equipment needed to perform cleaning, CCTV inspection and smoke testing for sewer collection lines. Work is limited to a maximum of two (2) days of on-site work. The Supervisor shall be and hereby is authorized to execute said contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION # 22.05.09-4**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR TO REQUEST A REVIEW OF SAFETY OF NYS ROUTE 22 INTERSECTION AND REQUESTING NO PARKING SIGNS BE INSTALLED.**

**MOTION BY: Mr. Barber**

**SECOND BY: Mr. Douglass**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has been informed by the Highway Superintendent that the installation of the new all-way stop signs on Route 22 and corner of Maiden Lane has caused

concern for safety of motorists. Large trucks are in the habit of parking across the street from Stewarts Shops on Route 22 and blocking visibility and cannot get off the street enough so there is loss of driving lane until the large vehicle is moved.

**WHEREAS**, it is the opinion of the Town Highway Superintendent and the Town Board, that “No Parking” signs should be installed by the NYS Department of Transportation from the corner of North Bend St. to the Route 22/Maiden lane intersection.

**RESOLVED**, the Town Highway Superintendent has informed the Board that after speaking to the NYS Department of Transportation Local Supervisor and requested him to pass on the Town’s concerns to the Watertown Office Planning Dept. for further review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately

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

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

***Sewer Project Update***

Mr. Tetrault stated pump stations are running, restoration to properties is completed and Rifenburg contract is complete.

***Other Business***

Construction meeting is set for May 11, 2022 at 11 AM to discuss the culvert project with Luck Brothers.

Ms. Barber stated all concerts are set and contracts are being mailed out.

Mr. Barber stated the bell tower is ½ completed and will measure the concert stage for the awning.

Mr. Tetrault stated his department is cleaning Town properties.

Mr. McDonald stated Mr. Kelly Donoghue representing Emergency 911 would like to discuss name changes for certain roads. Mr. Farrell and Mr. McDonald will be meeting with him in June.

Mr. Douglass asked if the agreement to purchase the land for the extension of walking trail was completed. Mr. Favro is finalizing the paperwork.

Mr. Barber asked if there was an update on the new locks. No update at this time.

Mr. Irwin asked Mr. Favro if the McGarr Road turnaround has made any progress. Mr. Favro stated a couple issues have arisen and need to be resolved.

Mr. Farrell stated vehicles are repaired therefore sweeping has started again.

***Public Comments on Agenda Items Only***

***NONE***

**Discussion- Pay Bills**

Mrs. Miller asked the department heads to be diligent in submitting vouchers, credit card charges and wire transfers by 10 AM on the Wednesday before the town meeting, by following this procedure it allows Mrs. Akey, Ms. Barber and myself to be timely in the process of paying bills.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.05.9-5**

**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 May 2022:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in May 2022; #202200497 through and including #202200549,

Abstract dated May 4,2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$67,990.76, of that, \$12,507.02 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$55,483.74 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.

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

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; second by Mr. Douglass to adjourn regular meeting to go into Executive session at 6:43 PM to discuss personnel issue –no decision will made

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion** by Mr. Douglass second by Mr. Bruno to adjourn Executive session and return to Regular meeting at 7:20 PM

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Bruno to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:22 PM.

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion Carried**

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