

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday June 13, 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, Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney, Mr. Cliff Christon, Dog Control Officer and Mr. John Flynn, Recreation Director-(Excused).

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Mr. McDonald, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Bruno 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 HIGHWAY OR WATER/SEWER/VALCOUR REPORTS**

Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Irwin to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing May 23, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Douglass abstained.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting May 23, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Douglass abstained.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Community Input and Questions

NONE

Approval of P & H Senesac, Inc. Payment #1 for Lagoon Decommissioning Project

Mr. Bruno asked Mr. Tetrault if the project was going to exceed budget. Mr. Tetrault answered with a simple answer - too early to say.

Motion by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve P & H Senesac, Inc. Payment App #1 for Lagoon Decommissioning Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Approval of P & H Senesac, Inc. Payment #2 for Lagoon Decommissioning Project

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Barber to approve P & H Senesac, Inc. Payment App #2 for Lagoon Decommissioning Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Approval of Rifenburg's Payment App #13 REV-1 for Sewer Lines Project

Mr. Irwin asked if this was the final payment. Ms. Barber stated, no this was not the final payment. There are Change Order payments and also a retainage payment that is due after a period of time once the project is complete.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Barber to approve Rifenburg's Payment App #13 REV-1 for Sewer Lines Upgrade Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Mr. Favro amended the resolution before the resolution was approved.

Ms. Barber stated an Application for Use of Community Properties form is required. The form and fee schedule will be posted on the town website per Mr. Favro.

A RESOLUTION TO CHARGE A FEE FOR THE USE OF TOWN PARKS FOR EVENTS TO OFFSET THE COST OF ADDITIONAL MANPOWER AND CARE FOR THE GROUNDS AND PROPERTY.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.06.13-1

MOTION BY: Mr. Bruno

SECONDED BY: Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, In order to adequately compensate for the management of the Peru Town Parks, the Town Board has decided that it would be in the best interests of the Town to offset the additional manpower, trash disposal fees and care needed to maintain the parks after such an event.

WHEREAS, the Coordinator of such events will fill out the “Application for Use of Community Facilities” form and have it approved by the Town Board before the event can be scheduled; And the fees be paid to the Town as per the following fee schedule:

(Town sponsored events are not subject to this event fee.)

Any Gazebo events \$25.00

Heyworth Mason Park:

Single Vendor or event \$50.00

Event coordinated with two (2) or more vendors . . . \$100.00

(Event coordinator will pay the fee for each day of the event)

Events not allowed:

- Weddings and/or receptions
- Any event with a large tent (larger than 10’ x 10’) or commercial tent
- Any event that disturbs the property or grounds
- Any event not sponsored by the Town
- Any event serving alcohol (Alcohol and tobacco use is prohibited on all Town Properties)

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	

5 Ayes 0 Noes

American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR Course

Mr. McDonald stated an e-mail was received stating CPR course is being offered. If anyone is interested please contact Sarah Mitchell at (518) 726-0927

Sewer/Lagoon/Elm St. Project Update

Lagoon Decommissioning Project- Mr. Tetrault stated he estimates the project is 1/3 done. 55 dry tons have been hauled. No odor issues.

Sewer Project- Silt Fence needs to be removed- Hydroseeding to be possibly redone.

Elm Street- No start date yet- Waiting for material delivery times. Decisions need to be made regarding the laterals piping.

Other Business

Mrs. Miller asked the board if she could seek quotes to upgrade the town’s phone service. They all stated yes.

Mr. Barber stated progress on the stage at Heyworth Mason was moving forward. Mr. Barber stated by the end of the week molding and roofing should be done after 7 hours of installing trusses and brackets on Sunday. Mr. Barber thanked the volunteers- Pat Boynton, Mike Boynton and Pat Maloney for the assistance with the project.

Mr. Irwin would like to confirm a building permit was issued as Mrs. Kathy Flynn called Mr. Guynup to inquire. A building permit was issued and signed by Supervisor McDonald the morning the project began. Also Mrs. Flynn was questioning background checks for the volunteers. Background checks are not required as she was told.

Mr. McDonald stated 2 phone calls were made by affiliations of Peru Youth Commission to the Association of Towns questioning and asking that Mr. McDonald had a conflict of interest and/or illegal for him to be a real estate agent while serving as Town Supervisor. The Association of Towns attorney stated in NO UNCERTAIN TERMS that it was not a conflict or illegal. Mr. McDonald stated he doesn't know why his name was a topic of discussion at the last Youth Commission Meeting. The discussion at the Youth Commission Meeting consisted of a statement made because Mr. McDonald is the Town Supervisor and a Real Estate Agent and assumed that's why the Peru Tax assessments went way up!! Mr. McDonald stated if anyone knew anything the Town Supervisor has nothing to do with the Tax Assessments ; the Town Assessor does that job and a great job at that. Mr. McDonald stated I would not want that job. In the draft of the Youth Commission Meeting Minutes 5/24/22 there was no mention of Mr. McDonalds name even though his name was discussed.

Mrs. Miller stated according to the draft from the 5/24/22 Youth Commission Meeting, Mr. Whitmarsh asked about the contention in communicating with town employees specifically the town clerk. Mrs. Miller stated she has a folder of communication e-mails that were shared and also following what was asked of her by the board members which she had stated at the 3/22/22 Youth Commission Meeting but never was documented by the Youth Commission Board.

Mr. Irwin stated he is very pleased with the field at Sullivan Park.

Mr. Farrell stated mowing is being done around signs and guardrails of the Town roads. Due to the price increase and availability in asphalt, Moore Drive and Dashnaw Road are the two roads to be paved at this time. Road striping will be done on Jabez Allen Road only. Materials availability still poses a stumbling block for everyone.

Ms. Barber stated the new locks are progressing- waiting for the fobs and locksets to be changed out.

Mr. Tetrault has received no return call on the pavement in front of the town hall finish date.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only
NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.06.13-2

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

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Douglass

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

From Town of Peru Vouchers in May 2022; #202200631 through and including #202200731,

Abstract dated June 8, 2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$466,967.38, of that, \$24,981.18 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$441,986.20 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. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Douglass at 6:57 PM to adjourn Regular Meeting to go into Executive Session .No action will be taken
Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion by Mr. Douglass; seconded by Mr. Barber to 7:14 PM to adjourn Executive Session to return to Regular Meeting.
Ayes 5 Noes 0

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

Motion Carried

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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