

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday August 8, 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;(Excused) Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board; T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer and Mr. John Flynn, Recreation Director (Absent).

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

A Moment of Silence for Our Town Justice, Larry Cabana, Who Has Sadly Passed Away.

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 dog report due to Mr. Christon's resignation. No Youth report.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve the minutes from the July 25, 2022 meeting.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

Ms. Robin Caudell spoke about the history of the Steven Keyes Smith Farm located at 625 Union Road.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; second by Mr. Barber to approve payment App #6 to P & H Senesac, Inc. for Lagoon Decommissioning Project in the amount of \$60,862.42.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Tetrault stated the project to date is under budget.

Motion by Mr. Douglass; second by Mr. Bruno to approve payment App #2 to Luck Bros. Inc. for Telegraph Culvert Project in the amount of \$103,290.84.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno second by Mr. Douglass to approve refurbish computer for Historians office.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Ms. Barber stated the approximate cost will be approximately \$ 300.00 or less.

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve a bid be advertised for Slide-in Salt Brine Applicator for Truck. Bid opening set for 10 AM August 22, 2022.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Farrell stated he is expecting 1 or 2 bids.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.08.8-1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OF NAMING THE COMPANIES OF RECORD FOR THE IDENTIFIED SYSTEMS AND SERVICES FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS FOR SYSTEM CONTINUITY AND FUTURE EASE OF MAINTENANCE

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town of Peru has a policy of competitive purchasing practices where practicable; and,

WHEREAS, the purchasing policy recognizes that in some cases, there is a need for standardization on the purchase of some items for reasons of efficiency and economy; and,
WHEREAS, The Town operates and maintains both a municipal water and wastewater system (including wastewater treatment plants), and
WHEREAS, The Town from time to time is required to upgrade and maintain such systems, and
WHEREAS, both the water and wastewater systems are critical infrastructure which requires a high level of reliability, and
WHEREAS, such reliability is ensured by standardizing on the manufacturer of certain system components and service providers so the system functions as intended, and
WHEREAS, procurement of standard equipment and services related to the water and wastewater systems allows for efficient operations, maintenance, and repair as well as promotes the public’s best interest,
WHEREAS, the Town has existing equipment and services by the manufacturers and suppliers listed, and standardization achieves efficiency and economy in ongoing maintenance and service,
WHEREAS proximity of product support is key to maintaining operation of critical water and wastewater infrastructure, and the equipment listed for standardization has readily available local and regional support.
WHEREAS standardized equipment and services for the water and wastewater infrastructure shall be comprised of the following:

- Submersible Wastewater Pumps – Landustrie
- Internet - Layer 8
- Generators – Kohler or Generac
- Security/Fire – Calongne Security

Now, therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, the Town Board is in full support of naming the above companies as the companies of record for the identified systems and services for current and future water and wastewater system improvements for system continuity and future ease of maintenance,

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.08.8-2

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JOHN FLYNN FROM THE TOWN OF PERU RECREATION DIRECTOR POSITION EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2022.

MOTION: Mr. Barber

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, John Flynn has recommended that Town Board accepts his resignation offered August 3, 2022.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of John Flynn to accept his resignation and thanks him for his past service to the Town of Peru. His resignation will be effective August 17, 2022.

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 | |
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Carried: Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Mr. McDonald stated the position will be advertised.
 Ms. Barber stated civil service protocols will be followed.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; second by Mr. Irwin to move Item # 14 – Recreation Assistants Pay Increase to Executive Session.
Ayes 5 Noes 0

Telegraph Road Culvert Project Update

Mr. Farrell stated the second wall has been poured.

Sewer/Lagoon/Elm St. Project Update

Mr. Tetrault stated the Lagoon is cleaned out.

Motion by Mr. Barber; second by Mr. Bruno to approve catch basin changeover and use bid price minus Highway Department culverts, 2 trucks and staff.
Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Other Business

Mr. Barber stated the Bell tower is complete and will be set Heyworth Mason Park this week.

Mr. Favro stated high regards for Judge Cabana. Judge Cabanas’ motto is “Don’t sweat the small stuff”.

Mr. Irwin stated window panels were being painted with scenes of Peru history for Heyworth Mason building.

Mr. McDonald remarked on an e-mail sent to Ms. Barber stated a thank you from a band that performed this summer on how nice the stage/cover was and wishing continuous success for the 2022 Peru Summer Concert Series.

Mr. Farrell stated Tyler and Andrew have gone to highway school.
 The water overflow to Elm Street- Mr. Farrell is going to follow up with Peter Gibbs and a possible easement from homeowner.

Mr. Tetrault stated water fountain, bike rack and bench are installed from the Clinton County Routes to Better Health Grant. The disc golf has been purchased also.
 Clarifier # 1 has shipped.

Motion by Mr. Barber; second by Mr. Douglass authorizing Mr. Tetrault to hire a seasonal employee when his current one goes back to college.
Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Helen Nerska stated she was getting organized as our newly appointed Historian.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Connie Mandeville representative from Billy Jones office stated there may be possible grant money to pursue the Steven Keyes Smith Farm.
 Mr. Poirier a resident on Elm Street asked about the laterals (sewer project). Mr. Tetrault explained to him the process and the options to the homeowner.

Mr. Ryan asked Mr. Irwin about the window painting at Heyworth Mason Park. Mr. Irwin explained panels were being painted of Peru history.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.08.8-3

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 July 2022:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in July & August 2022; #202200968 through and including #202201034,

Abstract dated August 4, 2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$350,251.48, of that, \$138,590.83 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$211,660.65 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: | YES | NO |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Richard Barber, Jr. | x | |
| Kregg Bruno | x | |
| Mel Irwin | x | |
| James Douglass | x | |
| Brandy McDonald | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber; second by Mr. Bruno to adjourn regular meeting to go into Executive session at 7:16 PM to discuss Recreation Assistants pay increase- a decision will be made
Ayes 5 Noes 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Irwin second by Mr. Barber to adjourn Executive session and return to regular meeting at 7:53 PM
Ayes 5 Noes 0 **Motion Carried**

Mr. McDonald stated per recommendation from Youth Committee, Adult Recreation Assistants will be paid \$400.00 for the 2022 season.
Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Barber to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:58 PM.
Ayes 5 Noes 0 **Motion Carried**

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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