

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Thursday, **October 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- (Excused); Mr. Richard Barber; Councilman, and 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. Pam Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board; Mr. T'Chaka Sikeleanos, Dog Control Officer and Mrs. Kristin Marino, Interim Recreation Director.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04PM 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; JCEO and Banking Reports- **NO YOUTH REPORT**
Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2022 Public Hearing.
Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Barber seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2022 meeting.
Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Community Input
NONE

AES Northeast's Updates on Rifenburg Sewer Line Project & Luck Elm St. Project
Mike Metcalfe representative from AES met with Rifenburg representative Chuck Riccardi to discuss and agree on final plus/minus change order for sewer line project as there were discrepancies with the paving quantities. An agreement was made and final payment will be approved by AES and sent to the town for approval. Elm St. sewer main work is complete. Laterals should be done 10/14/22. Grade adjustments are needed for paving.

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve payment to Luck Brothers in the amount of \$ 420,663.93 App#2 for the Elm St Project.
Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve payment to Luck Brothers in the amount of \$ 466,048.27 App#4 for the Telegraph Culvert Project.
Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Mr. Farrell stated this is a 2023 purchase with New York State shared services (Town of Ausable) with an approximate cost of \$60,000.00 and savings of \$ 46,206.04. The John Deere was located through Sourcewell National Bid. Mr. Barber asked if the broom would accommodate the sidewalks. Mr. Farrell replied no - to large.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.10.13-1

A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE A JOHN DEERE 331G TRACK SKID STEER WITH A 24" COLD PLANER, 84" HYDRAULIC ANGLE BROOM AND A 72" HOPPER PICK UP BROOM FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FROM UNITED AG & TRACTOR CENTER AS PART OF A SHARED SERVICES WITH THE TOWN OF AUSABLE.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Barber

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board has found a need for a new John Deere 331G track skid steer with a 24” cold planer, 84” hydraulic angle broom and a 72” hopper pick up broom.

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Highway Department have determined that the new John Deere 331G track skid steer from United Ag & Tractor would enable the Town to provide a continued level of quality service to the Town’s residents at a reasonable price,

WHEREAS, The Highway Department has decided to purchase this equipment with the Town of Ausable as part of a shared services agreement on a 50% basis for each party at the time of purchase and will help defray the costs of the new tractor,

WHEREAS, The pricing is from New York State’s Sourcewell contract and provides a deep discount on the John Deere skid steer and accessories. The total pricing for the aforementioned equipment will be \$120,187.96 (One hundred twenty thousand one hundred eighty seven dollars and ninety six cents). Now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign all paperwork to execute this purchase as soon as possible.

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

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.10.13-2

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JASON BURL FROM THE TOWN OF HIGHWAY DEPT. MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITION EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 26, 2022.

MOTION: Mr. Barber

SECOND: Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, Jason Burl has recommended that Town Board accepts his resignation from a Motor Equipment Operator position for the Peru Highway Department offered October 11, 2022 and effective October 26, 2022.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of Jason Burl to accept his resignation and thanks him for his past service to the Town of Peru. His resignation will be effective October 26, 2022.

AND, 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	Excused	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Senior Citizen Exemption Limits

Mr. Cross our town assessor sent an email recommending an increase to the limits for senior citizens 65 and older which could benefit senior citizens county/land taxes if income qualifies. More discussion will follow.

DISCUSSION: Telegraph Road Culvert Project Update

Mr. Farrell stated both walls are poured.

DISCUSSION: Sewer/Elm St. Project Update

Mr. Tetrault stated Mr. Metcalfe had covered the project.

DISCUSSION: Other Business

Mr. Barber and Mr. Arnold (designer of bell frame) opened the last weekend of the Hometown Market with the inaugural bell ringing. Mr. Barber commented the bell is very loud underneath it.

Mrs. Miller commented that possibly a purchase order system be put in place to eliminate over spending for products with departments using there personals credit cards and spending on items that are not needed. This comment was not directed to a specific department. Mr. McDonald recommended a workshop to discuss. No date has been set.

Mr. Guynup stated on a particular property that has been served for violation of building code, the Sheriff’s department is now involved. Mr. Guynup is inquiring about Cloud Permit. Cloud Permit is an electronic submittal with all information required for any building permit. Mr. Guynup does not feel our town is receiving the support from the current program provider for his department.

Mrs. Marino stated closing ceremonies for soccer will be October 15, 2022. Loremans and Finney’s are sponsoring the Soccer Moving up game October 20, 2022 being held at the Apple Bowl at 6:30PM. Plans of the basketball program are underway.

Mr. Farrell thanked Mr. Barber for contacting him about the loss of the Town of Belmont garage to a fire. Mr. Farrell reached out to let the Highway Superintendent know if our town could be of any assistance please let him know. Mr. Bruno thanked Mr. Farrell.

Mr. Tetrault stated the thrust block did not hold which caused the major water break causing the Town to implementing a precautionary town wide boil water order. Mr. Tetrault also mentioned when a water boil order is implemented it is sometimes difficult to reach all residents. The possibility of an automated text be put into place. More discussion is needed.

DISCUSSION: Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

None

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.10.13-3

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 October 2022:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in October 2022; #2022001248 through and including #202201321,

Abstract dated October 12, 2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$769,345.82, of that, \$24,635.00 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$744,710.82 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	Excused	
	James Douglass	x	
	Brandy McDonald	x	

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass to table Executive Session.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass to adjourn the meeting at 7:17PM

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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