The Regular Meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, January 8, 2024 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald, Supervisor; Mr. James Douglass, Mr.Eric Duquette, Councilman; Mr.Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman and Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk. Also present were Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board, Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney (arrival 6:40 PM); Mr. T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent ; Mrs. Kristin Marino, Recreation Director; (Excused) Mrs. Helen Nerska, Town Historian and Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer Control Officer.

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.Douglass 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. JCEO report available at this time. 5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

*Motion* by Mr.Irwin seconded by Mr.Duquette to accept Regular Meeting minutes held December 28, 2023.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

**Community Input** NONE

### **RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.01.08-1**

#### A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE A JOHN DEERE 2025R COMPACT UTILITY TRACTOR (18 PTO HP WITH BLADE AND SNOWBLOWER ATTACHMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLEARING THE TOWN SIDEWALKS BY THE TOWN OF PERU **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.**

#### MOTION: Mr. Bruno

#### SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board and the Town of Peru Highway Superintendent has found the need to purchase a new John Deere 18 PTO hp compact utility tractor with blade and snowblower attachments for the purpose of clearing the town sidewalks more efficiently and safely of snow in a timely manner.

WHEREAS, the bid received on January 2, 2024 from United Ag & Turf was \$30,112.68 (Thirty thousand one hundred twelve dollars and sixty eight cents) to furnish new compact tractor and attachments as per NY State Landscaping Grounds Contract #PC69683 (PG XN CG 22), and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Highway Department Superintendent have determined to purchase said tractor from United Ag & Turf according to the NYS Landscaping Grounds Contract #PC69683, and NOW

BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign all paperwork to execute this purchase as soon as possible.

<b>Roll Call:</b>		YES	NO
	Kregg Bruno	X	
	James Douglass	X	
	Eric Duquette	X	
	Mel Irwin	X	
	Brandy McDonald	Х	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes** 

#### **Ownership Clarification on Heyworth Mason Paintings**

*Motion* by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr.Irwin to table # 8 on the agenda until Mr. Favro arrives. Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

# Traffic Light at Intersection of NY Route

Mr. Farrell received a letter from the Department of Transportation dated January 4, 2024 states the intersection of Route 22 and Route 22B does not meet the criteria for the installation of a three-color traffic signal.

# Adding of Comp Time for Water/Sewer Employees While On-Call

The board agreed on 2 hours per week while on call. Mr. Tetrault stated he was disappointed as he wanted 4 hours per week. A resolution is required. Ms. Barber will be consulting Mr. Favro.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Jarvis stated 2 plow trucks are out of service- waiting for parts.

Mr. Jarvis also asked residents to please not park on roads or sidewalks as it makes it difficult for the drivers to plow the streets

Ms. Barber will be on vacation and asked for all payroll to be submitted January 12, 2024.

# Public Comments on Agenda Items Only NONE

# **RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.01.08-2**

# 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 December 2023:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in December 2023; <u>#202301868</u> through and including <u>#202301921</u>

Abstract dated <u>1/5/24.</u>

For the dollar amount totaling: \$85,687.05; of that, \$401.60 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$85,285.45 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>		YES	NO
	Kregg Bruno	X	
	James Douglass	X	
	Eric Duquette	X	
	Mel Irwin	X	
	Brandy McDonald	X	

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

# **MOTION:** Adjourn to Executive Session

Discussion will be personnel

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Douglass to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:42 PM.5 Ayes 0 NoesMotion Carried

# **MOTION: Return from Executive Session**

Motion by Mr. Irwin seconded by Mr.Bruno to return from Executive Session at 7:13 PM.**5 Ayes0 Noes**Motion Carried

### **Ownership Clarification on Heyworth Mason Paintings**

Mr. Favro stated for Mr. Badger to remove the Go Fund page soliciting donations as the page could be interpreted as the Town asking which the town is not. More discussion is needed for clarification of ownership.

# **MOTION:** Adjourn Meeting

*Motion* by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Irwin to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM **5Ayes 0 Noes**