The Regular Meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, February 5, 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-(Excused at 6:41). Also present were Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board and Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney (Excused); Mr. T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer;(Excused) Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mrs. Kristin Marino, Recreation Director; 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. Douglass seconded by Mr. Bruno to table Agenda item # 11. **5 Ayes 0 Noes**

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Duquette 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.

5 Ayes 0 Nays Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Irwin seconded by Mr. Duquette to accept Regular Meeting minutes held January 25, 2024.

5 Ayes 0 Noes Motion Carried

Community Input NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.05-1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, ED GARROW & SONS INC., CONTINGENT UPON THE FINAL REVIEW OF THE BID BY THE TOWN ENGINEER FOR THE COOK RD. CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE TOWN OF PERU, NY.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, Notice to bidders has been duly given as required by law for the Cook Rd. Culvert Replacement Project, for the Town of Peru, as described in the plans and specifications and Bids were received on January 29, 2024 at the Peru Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the bid from Ed Garrow & Sons Inc. is the best and lowest responsible bid for the designated public improvement for the unit price BASE BID of \$142,936.00 (One Hundred Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Six dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PERU:

The Supervisor and Clerk of the Town of Peru, NY are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Notice of Award for the base bid with the Contractor, Ed Garrow & Sons, contingent upon the final review of the construction documents of the bid by the Town Engineer and subsequent recommendation by the same for the public improvement as is herein referred to.

RESOLVED, this shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.05-2

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LAYER EIGHT PROPOSAL FOR THE CONTINUATION OF MANAGED SERVICE PROVIDER OF COMPUTERS AND NETWORKS FOR THE TOWN OF PERU.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, the Town Board has deemed it necessary for the Town of Peru to hire an IT Managed Service Provider for the Town of Peru's servers, computers, and networks,

WHEREAS, the Town Board has decided that the proposal of LayerEight continues to best fit in with the needs for the IT management; **NOW THEREFORE**, **BE IT**

RESOLVED, that the Town of Peru accepts the proposal of LayerEight for the continuation of services for the installation of software and/or hardware; and on-site service for the continuity of our computer systems at a cost not to exceed Two Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Nine and Ninety Five Cents (\$2,749.95) monthly for a period of three years.; AND

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.05-3

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF CAPITAL PROJECT H-31 SOUTH SIDE EPG PROJECT ACCOUNT WITH A ZERO BALANCE AT TD BANK

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, In order to better manage bank accounts, the Town of Peru must close the Capital Project H-31 account with TD Bank with a zero balance since the project has been completed and account is no longer needed. NOW BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the closure of the Capital Project H-31 South Side EPG Project Account ending in #8054, since there is a zero balance in the account, there will no transfer of funds.

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.05-4

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF CAPITAL PROJECT H-32 LAGOON DECOMMISSIONING BANK ACCOUNT WITH A \$3.75 BALANCE AT TD BANK.

MOTION: Mr. Irwin SECOND: Mr. Duquette

WHEREAS, In order to better manage bank accounts, the Town of Peru must close the Capital Project H-32 Lagoon Decommissioning Project account with TD Bank with a Three Dollars and seventy five cents (\$3.75) balance since the project has been completed and account is no longer needed. NOW BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the closure of the Capital Project H-32 Lagoon Decommissioning Project Account ending in #2575, with TD Bank with the amount of Three Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$3.75) being transferred to the Peru Sewer account with TD Bank.

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Request for Moratorium on Self- Storage Units

Planning Board has asked to discuss it. Steps of filing a moratorium will be discussed with the assistance of Mr. Favro. Mr. Tetrault shared his concern of loss revenue in the water/sewer department as self-storage units do not use water/sewer.

Request for Town to Apply to NYS Pro-Housing Communities Program.

Many variables to be considered- More discussion in the future

Heyworth Mason Murals

Mr. Badger presented a grant opportunity for the murals. After discussion at this time the Heyworth Mason building interior will not be ready for at least 2 years.

Other Business

Mr. Duquette expressed his satisfaction with compliments to the Highway & Water Departments.

Mr. Farrell was happy that parts for truck repairs are finally showing up and trucks are coming back into service..

Mrs. Marino is looking for Recreation Assistant.

Mrs. Nerska has completed the tasks of going all through the boxes and will be chatting with Peru older residents starting in May.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.05-5

MOTION: Mr. Douglass SECOND: Mr. Duquette

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in January 2023:

From Town of Peru Vouchers for January 2023; #202400099 through and including #202400165

Abstract dated: <u>2/2/2024</u>.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$136,819.86; of that, \$16,778.67 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$120,041.19 is remaining to be paid for January 2023

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
	Kregg Bruno	X	
	James Douglass	X	
	Eric Duquette	X	
	Mel Irwin	X	
	Brandy McDonald	X	

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Douglass to table Executive Session. **5 Ayes 0 Noes**

Motion by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. Duquette to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 PM **5Ayes 0 Noes**