The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald Supervisor; Mr. James Douglass, Councilman; Mr. Eric Duquette, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman and Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk. Also present were Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board and Deputy Town Clerk; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney; (Excused) Mr. T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer, Mrs. Kristin Marino, Recreation Director; Mrs. Helen Nerska, Historian; Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; and Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer (Excused).

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. Irwin to accept the Regular Meeting minutes held February 5, 2024.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion Carried

Community Input NONE

NYS Pro-Housing Communities Program

Mr. Douglass stated upon recommendation from Ms. Alison Webbinaro to have the town send an email to New York State to express interest in the project. The board asked Ms. Barber to send email.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.20-1

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TOWN'S ESSEX COUNTY SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT FOR TERRY MOUNTAIN AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Duquette

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the snow plowing contract amendment to change the reimbursement cost per snow event and extend the contract through March 31, 2024 for Terry Mountain between the Town of Peru and Essex County before it,

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, said proposed agreement is approved and the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute said agreement.

AND, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call:		YES	NO
	Kregg Bruno	X	
	James Douglass	X	
	Eric Duquette	X	
	Melvin Irwin	X	
	Brandy McDonald	X	

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

AARCH Summer Tours- Peru

AARCH-aarch.org will be visiting our town in early September. Mrs. Nerska is assisting to locate places of interest. The historian's office is also planning an Open House this summer at the Lyons Road Schoolhouse. Monthly meetings are being planned to chat about Peru history.

Other Business

Mr. McDonald stated the property on 39 North Bend Street has been sold. The new property owner will demolish current structure.

Ms. Barber stated the AED machines have arrived. One will be installed at the town hall the other at court.

Mr. Sikelianos stated he has been busy.

Mr. Sikelianos and Mrs. Miller stressed the importance of residents having their dog licensed.

Mrs. Marino is purging the Rec desk program- she stated also the Rec desk will be open in mid-March.

Mr. Tetrault stated he expected 3 applications for RFQ requirement. January 21, 2024 is the deadline. Mr. Tetrault asked the board if an interview workshop was being set up. The board felt that was necessary.

Mr. Farrell and Mr. Jarvis attended a conference on the Salt Reduction Report in Tupper Lake. Our town has proudly been highly recognized for Salt Brine snow removal process. Thank you, Mr. Farrell, and your department for the continuous dedication.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 24.02.20-2

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

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in February 2024:

From Town of Peru Vouchers for February 2024; #202400167 through and including #202400251

Abstract dated: <u>2/20/2024</u>.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$113,193.99; of that, \$16,751.48 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$96,442.51

is remaining to be paid for February 2024.

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	<u>NO</u>
	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 adjourn Regular meeting at 6:42PM to go into Executive Session, No decision will be made –Personnel.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 *Motion Carried*

Motion by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Bruno to return to Regular Meeting at 7:16PM Mr. McDonald stated no decision was made.

Ayes 5Noes 0 Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Douglass; seconded by Mr. Irwin to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:17 PM. Ayes 5 Noes 0 *Motion Carried*