

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday February 9, 2026 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Craig Randall, Supervisor; Mr. Gregg Bruno, Councilman ; Mr. Eric Duquette, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Nick Weaver, Councilman; Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney and Mrs. Christine Crawford, Town Clerk. Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent ; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board; Ms. Helen Nerska, Historian; Mrs. Kristen Marino, Recreation Director; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Superintendent and Mr. T'chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. Randall, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Duquette to Accept Reports from all Departments (Water/Sewer/Valcour; Highway; Town Clerk, Dog Control; Youth Department; Code/Zoning; Supervisor's Report; Court; Website; and Banking Reports, JCEO.)

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the January 29th, 2026 Special Meeting.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

Mr. John Ryan talks about how the public should have more information about executive sessions. Mr. Favro will look into this.

Discussion: AES Northeast PWWTP Project Update

Nathan Bull updates everyone on how well the project is going. With the good jump on site work over the summer, the building is enclosed enough for work to continue through winter. Funding approval on grants is backed up, but the project is cost tracking very well. Communication between all parties is good.

RESOLUTION NUMBER:26.02-09-1

A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE TOWN OF PERU SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF PERU FOR THE PERU WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT DWSRF #19830 AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME

MOTION: Mr. Bruno **SECOND:** Mr. Weaver

WHEREAS, in order to keep the project moving in an expeditious manner and prevent delays for Project DWSRF#19830 for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements, the Peru Town Board agrees to allow the Peru Town Supervisor to sign all contracts and documents as needed by the Town Board.

RESOLVED, A resolution allowing the Town of Peru Supervisor to sign contracts and documents necessary for project # DWSRF#19830 for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements project and authorizing the supervisor to execute the same on behalf of the Peru Town Board.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION: Mr. Duquette **SECOND:** Mr. Weaver

To amend the Resolution to include the Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

MOTION: Mr. Duquette **SECOND:** Mr. Weaver

To adopt the Resolution as amended

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Eric Duquette	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried:

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER:26.02-09-2

ORDER CALLING PUBLIC HEARING
(202b Improvement) TO BE HELD ON
FEBRUARY 23, 2026 AT 5:45 O’CLOCK
P.M.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

IN THE MATTER OF CONSTRUCTION OF,
AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE TOWN OF
PERU WATER DISTRICT WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO DEFREY THE
COST THEREOF, \$9,400,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SERIAL
BONDS OF THE TOWN OF PERU SHALL BE ISSUED
PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW YORK
LOCAL FINANCE LAW; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE
TOWN TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE NEW YORK
STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITES CORPORATION
AND OTHER AGENCIES FOR GRANT FUNDING AND
FINANCIAL ASSISTENCE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Town previously requested Barton & Loguidice Engineers, D.P.C., engineers duly licensed by the State of New York (the “Engineers”), to prepare a map, plan and estimate of cost for a project (the “Project”) consisting of the construction, improvement or reconstruction of the Town’s water treatment plant and distribution system in and for the Town, and pursuant to the Town’s direction, the Engineers have completed and filed with the Town Board a map, plan and estimate of the costs of the Project, and have estimated that the maximum cost thereof is Nine Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,400,000), said map, plan and estimate of cost are on file in the office of the Town Clerk for public inspection; now therefore be it

ORDERED, that a Public Hearing by the Town of Peru Town Board to be held in the Meeting Room at the Town of Peru Town Hall Building, 3036 Main Street, Town of Peru, New York (Clinton County), on the 23rd Day of February 2026 at 5:45 O’clock P.M. to consider said increase and improvement of the Town’s water treatment plant and distribution system and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same and for such other action on the part of the Town Board with relation thereto as may be required by law; and it is,

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Town Clerk publish at least once in The Town of Peru’s official newspaper, the Press Republican, and post on the signboard of the Town maintained pursuant to Town Law 30(6), a copy of this Order, certified by the Town Clerk, the first publication thereof and posting to be not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days before the date of such public hearing.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Kregg Bruno	x	

	Eric Duquette	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr.Duquette; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve Murnane Building Contractors Pay App.#7 for Peru WWTP Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr.Bruno; seconded by Mr. Duquette to approve John W. Danforth Company Pay App.#7 for Peru WWTP Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr.Duquette; seconded by Mr. Irwin to approve Triangle Electrical System Pay App.#3 for Peru WWTP Project.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NUMBER:26.02-09-3

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PERU WPCP UPGRADES - CHANGE DIRECTIVE P-CD.02 BY THE PLUMBING CONTRACTOR J.W. DANFORTH AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

MOTION: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PERU WPCP UPGRADES - CHANGE DIRECTIVE P-CD.02 BY THE PLUMBING CONTRACTOR J.W. DANFORTH AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno SECOND: Mr. Duquette

WHEREAS, The Town Board has the Work Change Directive P-CD.02 for Project #5410 for Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades contract dated February 4, 2026 and items before it.

WHEREAS, Contractor is directed to proceed promptly with the Work Change Directive P-CD.02: as per attached:

Description:

Revisions to sanitary vent piping at the PTA building, per Proposal Request P-PR.02

Attachments:

John W. Danforth Cost Summary, dated 02/02/2026, including Proposal Request P-PR.02

Directive to proceed promptly with the Work described herein, prior to agreeing to change in Contract Price and Contract Time, is issued due to:

Non-agreement on pricing of proposed change. Necessity to proceed for schedule or other reasons.

Estimated Change in Contract Price and Contract Times (non-binding, preliminary):

Basis of estimated change in Contract Price:

Lump Sum Unit Price Cost of the Work Other

\$ 3,849.00 to be charged against the General Allowance.

RESOLVED, said proposed Work Change Directive shall be amended with the cost of \$3,849.00 to be charged against the General Allowance.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Eric Duquette	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Duquette; seconded by Mr. Irwin to accept the C&S-Telegraph Over Dry Mill Brook Culvert Update Report

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Duquette to accept the Barton & Loguidice Peru Water Treatment Plant Project Update Report

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Other Business

Mr. Irwin congratulates Mrs. Crawford on surviving tax month.

Mr. Duquette thanks the Water and Highway Departments for doing a great job.

Mr. Farrell updates everyone about the Telegraph Road project, as well as the Westcott Rd project. He also brings up the bill being discussed by New York State that would limit the amount of salt and sand used per storm system and require every town to have a Salt Shed.

Mr. Tetrault addresses Mr. Ryan's statement about executive session, and stresses the need to be cautious with disclosing details involving personnel and privacy requirements.

Mrs. Nerska thanks Mr. Tetrault for fixing the heat downstairs. She is excited for the upcoming summer and already has tours planned for Peasleeville and Lapham Mills.

Mrs. Marino says Basketball is in full swing. Rec Desk is getting a much needed purge which should make everything go smooth in the upcoming summer programs.

Mr. Sikelianos is happy to report he recently passed inspection with the State.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.02-09-4

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 December 2025.

From Town of Peru Vouchers for December 2025, #202501925 through and including #202501925

Abstract dated 2/4/26.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$24,137.00 of that, \$0.00 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$24,137.00 remaining to be paid for December 2025.

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>
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Eric Duquette	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.02-09-05

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 January 2026.

From Town of Peru Vouchers for January 2026, #202600099 through and including #202600168

Abstract dated 02/04/26.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$113,190.03 of that, \$15,831.63 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$97,358.40 remaining to be paid for January 2026.

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>
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Eric Duquette	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried: Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr.Irwin; seconded by Mr. Duquette to Adjourn to Executive Session.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr.Irwin; seconded by Mr. Bruno to Return from Executive Session

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr.Duquette; seconded by Mr. Weaver to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:06p.m.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion Carried