

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday April 27, 2026 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Craig Randall, Supervisor; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman ; Mr. Mel Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Nick Weaver, Councilman and Mrs. Christine Crawford, Town Clerk. Also present were Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board; Ms. Helen Nerska, Historian 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. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 13, 2026.

Ayes 4, Noes 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

Teresa Larsen questions the town contract with LCT, and wants to know whose authority allows for this Contract and were the drafters qualified.

The Board has no counsel present, but Mr. Randall assures Ms. Larsen that the Town Attorney along with outside counsel worked together to draft the contract.

Corey Trombley reads aloud the FOIL request he has brought with him. He complains that he can get no information from the Town Board so he is forced to FOIL any documents concerning the Lake Champlain Transportation properties. Mr. Trombley also questions the position of Code Enforcement Officer in the town. Mr. Duane Bibeau continues his training toward becoming certified and Mr. Steve Imhoff is still on the payroll as well.

Discussion: Mr. Randall explains the update on Telegraph Road over Dry Mill Brook and reads through the Project Status Report

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.04-27.01

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PERU APPROVING AN EMERGENCY HIRING OF AROLD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CLEANING & CCTV INSPECTION OF 8” MAIN SEWER LINE FROM BEAR SWAMP ROAD TO THE UNION ROAD.

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

WHEREAS, Section 64(3) of the Town Law of the State of New York empowers the Town Board of the Town of Peru, Clinton County, New York (the “Town”) to manage, maintain and control Town property and assets as the purposes of the Town may require.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a request from the Town Water/Sewer Superintendent to hire Arold Construction Company for the cleaning & CCTV camera inspection of 8” main sewer line from Bear Swamp Road to the Union Road.

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that this request is necessary on an expedited basis because the current location where the sewer line break was repaired is in the middle of a homeowner’s property and before the area is restored the Town needs to be sure it is in proper condition.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Peru, in regular session that the Town Water/Sewer Supervisor is hereby allowed to hire Arold Construction Company at a cost of \$4,350.00 (Four Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents) per day and it shall be completed as soon as possible;

This Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be dated April 27, 2026

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

Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.04-27.02

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESULTS OF INTERNAL CONTROL AUDIT FOR PROCEDURES AND RECORDKEEPING FOR THE TOWN OF PERU TOWN COURT.

MOTION: Mr. Irwin **SECOND:** Mr. Bruno

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it the report of Internal Audit for the Peru Town Court conducted by Town Supervisor, Craig Randall on April 14, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board agrees with the overall findings of this report of audit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town of Peru Board approves and accepts the Internal Controls Audit of the Town of Peru Town Court with the record of this audit to be included in the official record of this Board Meeting,

AND, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26.04-27.03

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT TO FUNDS THE INVOICES DUE FOR THE H-34 WATER TREATMENT PROJECT.

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

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town Peru Water Treatment Project Account**, funds need to be transferred from the Debt Service Account Funds to the H-34 Water Treatment Plant Project Fund to cover the payments prior to EFC funding.

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the transfer of the total amount of **\$14,800.90 (Fourteen thousand eight hundred dollars and ninety cents)** of current invoices to cover the payments for the H-34 Water Treatment Plant Project.

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

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

Carried: 4 Ayes; 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26.04-27.04

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE RENTAL OF PORTABLE TOILETS FOR THE TOWN PARKS TO MORRISONVILLE SEPTIC, LLC FOR THE 2026 SEASON.

MOTION: Mr. Weaver **SECOND:** Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received three (3) bids in response to its request for same in connection with rental of Portable toilets for the Peru Town Parks for the 2026 season; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board agrees that Morrisonville Septic, LLC. was the lowest bidder on the services request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the bid Morrisonville Septic, LLC to provide the portable toilet rental and services for the town parks for \$780.00 (Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars and Zero Cents) per month and is hereby accepted and the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute any further documentation necessary to facilitate and/or consummate the bid contract;

AND IT IS FURTHER

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26.04-27.05

A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE WANCO CONSTRUCTION LIGHT TOWER FOR EMERGENCY USE BY THE TOWN OF PERU HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT.

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

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board and the Town of Peru Highway and Water & Sewer Superintendents has found the need to purchase the 2015 Wanco Construction Light Tower for emergency situations during evening hours which have become more frequent

WHEREAS, The Town Board has approved the purchase of a new light tower to stay in compliance with safety guidelines and to keep our workers safe and healthy during nighttime emergency situations.

WHEREAS, the Wanco Light Tower was on the Quabbin Valley Auction by Talor Rental and was the only one available. The Town Board and the Highway Department Superintendent have determined to purchase said tower at a purchase price of \$3,499.00 (Three Thousand four hundred ninety nine dollars and no cents) 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.

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

Carried: 4 Ayes; 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.04-27.06

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF ERIC DUQUETTE FROM THE TOWN OF PERU'S POSITION OF TOWN COUNCILMAN EFFECTIVE APRIL 27, 2026 WHEN IT WAS RECEIVED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MOTION: Mr. Irwin **SECOND:** Weaver

WHEREAS, Town of Peru Town Board accepts Eric Duquette's letter of resignation dated, April 26, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Peru Town Board sadly agrees with the Mr. Duquette's decision to resign from his position as Town Councilman from the Peru Town Board due to an increasingly busy professional and personal schedule. Mr. Duquette believes he is no longer able to dedicate the time and attention necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of this position which it deserves. The Town of Peru thanks him for his unwavering dedication and past service to the Town of Peru.

AND, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 4 Ayes; 0 Noes

Other Business

Mr. Bruno talks about the importance of a sign by the Silo disc golf course. Ms. Barber explains that the one quote to build a sign was high. The Town will look for more quotes from other businesses.

Ms. Nerska held a successful banner raising this afternoon, followed by a reception and refreshments downstairs. She would like to thank everyone who attended, and a special thanks to the water department and Mr. Tetrault for getting everything set for today.

Mr. Ricky Barber is here and talks about the flag pole for the marina, which the DEC still has concerns about regarding lifetime maintenance.

Mr. Farrell is getting ready to start Spring cleanup and there is much to be done. Mud Pond Road is coming along. He also explains that the Department of Labor is now using purchase order numbers and contractors now need to be registered with New York State; everything is moving to online.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.04-13.09

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

MOTION: Mr. Weaver **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 April 2026.

From Town of Peru Vouchers for April 2026, #202600536 through and including #202600607

Abstract dated 4/24/26.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$1,483,228.39 of that, \$17,758.81 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$1,465,469.58 remaining to be paid for April 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	excused	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried: 4 Ayes; 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Weaver; seconded by Mr. Irwin to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:35p.m.

Ayes 4, Noes 0

Motion Carried