

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on June 8, 2026 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Craig Randall, Supervisor; Mr. Richard Barber, Jr., Councilman; Mr. Gregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Mel Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Nick Weaver, Councilman 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. Kristen Marino, Recreation Director; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Ms. Helen Nerska, Historian; and Mr. T'chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer. Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney, was excused.

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

Motion by Mr. Weaver; seconded by Mr. Bruno to Accept Reports from all Departments from the meeting of May 11.

Ayes 5, Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Weaver; seconded by Mr. Irwin to Accept Reports from all Departments

Ayes 5, Noes 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Weaver; seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 28, 2026.

Ayes 5, Noes 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

Teresa Larsen questions the town contract with LCT, but she realizes that without the Town Attorney present, the Board is unable to answer her questions. She also questions how long she is allowed to speak.

Matt St Clair addresses the problem of there being nowhere for kids to ride dirt bikes and build ramps. The Board discusses how motorized vehicles are NOT allowed on the trail, and an agreement was signed when the walking trail was installed. With the changes in electric vehicles like bikes and scooters, maybe the Board can revisit these rules and see what can be adjusted or not.

Discussion

Mr. Lincoln Sunderland is recognized for his efforts to preserve the history of the Town of Peru, and for his service to our community. Former New York State Assemblywoman Janet Duprey recognized Mr. Sunderland's role in founding Apple Valley Senior Housing. Peru Town Historian Helen Nerska praised the books written by Mr. Sunderland about the History of Peru. She gave everyone an overview of his life and achievements. Peru Town Supervisor Craig Randall presented Lincoln Sunderland with an award recognizing all he has done for the Town.

Discussion

Mark DeCrescente, P.E. gives an overview of the Westcott Rd. Culvert Bridge project. Looking for a reasonable way to fix the bridge, the 'quick bridge' seems like a great idea. The new bridge will be installed and then the road will move, doing away with the need for a temporary bridge. Mr. DeCrescente will find out the weight limits of the new bridge.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.06-08.01

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM CASELLA WASTE TO SERVE AS A FOOD SCRAP COLLECTION HAULER FOR THE RECYCLING PROGRAM IN THE TOWN OF PERU.

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

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru, Clinton County, NY is seeking to continue its current food scrap collection program for residents. The collection point will be set up at 9 Cross Street, at the Town of Peru Highway Department. We envision this to be a 12-month program, with the possibility of extension.

WHEREAS The Town of Peru is requested two companies to submit a proposal to serve as the

hauler for the food scraps collected by this program.

WHEREAS, The Town Board reviewed all proposals and recommends Casella Waste as they have the METROStor Bin rental and maintenance of the bin, where the other bidder does not. The Town does not want to purchase or have any maintenance of the recycling storage bin.

RESOLVED, the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of using Casella Waste Systems to furnish the rental and maintenance of recycling bin and food waste collection hauling firm for one year at a rate of \$215.00 (Two hundred fifteen dollars and no cents) monthly.

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

Roll Call:		<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
	Richard Barber Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried:5 Ayes;0 Noes

Discussion: Damage to Walking Trail and Town Owned Property
With all of the new motorized bikes, scooters and such, the Board discusses what Peru can do as a town to accommodate the teenagers who have been trying to make a trail on Town Property. As of now, there are no motorized vehicles allowed on the Trail. A Bike Safety Course may be an option, but the Town will look into other ideas as well.

Discussion/Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Weaver to Approve Murnane Building Contractors Pay App #11 for Peru WWTP Project.
Ayes 5, Noes 0
Motion Carried

Discussion/Motion by Mr. Weaver; seconded by Mr. Bruno to Approve John W. Danforth Company Pay App #11 for Peru WWTP Project.
Ayes 5, Noes 0
Motion Carried

Discussion/Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Bruno to Approve K & L Plumbing and Heating Pay App #6 for Peru WWTP Project.
Ayes 5, Noes 0
Motion Carried

Discussion/Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Weaver to Approve Triangle Electrical Systems Pay App #9 for Peru WWTP Project.
Ayes 5, Noes 0
Motion Carried

Discussion Mr. Randall reads aloud the monthly report from AES Northeast on the Peru Wastewater Project.

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Discussion Other Business- Department Heads
Mr. Tetrault tells how busy his department has been, fixing sewers, mowing, upkeep on the athletic fields.
Ms. Marino says baseball, softball and tball are in full swing and credits Mr. Tetrault and his department on doing a great job on all of the fields.
Mr. Jarvis has the mowers out and is trying to maintain 15 feet without trees roadside.
Mr. Farrell recently attended Highway School. He is happy to report that work has begun on Telegraph Road, with Westcott Road and Lyons Road next.
Ms. Nerska held another successful History Chat this morning. These Chats are available to

watch on Youtube on the Peru Gazette Channel.

Discussion Mr. Ed Saunders informs the Board and the Public that the City of Plattsburgh has an upcoming forum on electric vehicles.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 26.06-08.02

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

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in June 2026.

From Town of Peru Vouchers for June 2026, #202600806 through and including #202600864

Abstract dated 6/4/26.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$149,206.14 of that, \$17,364.64 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$131,841.50 remaining to be paid for June 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>
	Richard Barber, Jr.	x	
	Kregg Bruno	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Nick Weaver	x	
	Craig Randall	x	

Carried:5 Ayes;0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Weaver to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:27 p.m.
Ayes 5, Noes 0
Motion Carried