

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday April 10, **2023** at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald, Supervisor;(Excused) Mr. James Douglass, Deputy Supervisor; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Richard Barber; Councilman, and Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk.. Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer;(Excused) Ms. Pam Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board;(Excused) Mr. T'Chaka Sikeleanos , Dog Control Office; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Supervisor; Mrs. Helen Nerska, Town Historian and Mrs. Kristin Marino, Interim Recreation Director.

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

Motion by Mr. Irwin; seconded by Mr. Bruno 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-

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Barber seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve March 27, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Irwin abstained.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Barber to approve April 3, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes. Mr. Irwin abstained.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Community Input

NONE

Town Hall AC Bids

Mr. Bruno made a motion to award bid to J Hogan Refrigeration not to exceed \$ 31,399.00.

No separate bid was included for the drop ceiling

After discussion Mr. Irwin and Mr. Douglass asked for Executive Session- Mr.Favro stated this was public information and could not be discussed in Executive Session

Mr. Bruno rescinded his motion.

Motion by Mr. Irwin seconded by Mr. Barber to table award of bid.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Irwin to advertise bid for drop ceiling.

Bids will be accepted until May 8, 2023 at 10 AM. To the Town Clerks office.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Favro reviewed the agreement and recommended a copy to be given to the Towns Insurance Company.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 23.04.10-1

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE POLE ATTACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE ELECTRIC & GAS FOR THE TOWN OF PERU HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

MOTION: Mr. Irwin

SECOND: Mr. Bruno

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it a pole attachment agreement between the Town of Peru & New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG).

RESOLVED, The Applicant, Town of Peru, shall follow the pole application process and shall not attach without a license.

RESOLVED, The Annual Pole Attachment Rental Charge is \$19.55 per pole. Unless otherwise indicated by NYSEG, all bills for Pole Attachment applications, annual rent and other charges are payable to NYSEG by the Licensee within thirty (30) days from the date of the bill.

RESOLVED, This Agreement shall continue in effect for a term of five (5) years from the date hereof and thereafter until terminated as provided herein. This Agreement, if not previously terminated in accordance with Article IX (b), may be terminated at the end of said time or at any time thereafter by either party giving to the other party at least six (6) months prior written notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, 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	
	James Douglass	x	
	Brandy McDonald	Excused	

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

Heyworh Mason Walking Trail Bridge Inspection

Mr. Bruno shared concerns of possible hazards. After discussion the possible ice build up from the winter may have caused the concerns. Mr. Farrell is going to contact the Department of Transportation and Engineering Ventures.

Tractor Purchase for Water/Sewer Parks

Mr. Tetrault stated the tractor was a 1984- A new tractor will range from \$ 28,000-\$ 37,000.. The backhoe and tractor will be sold to cover at least part of the cost.

Set New Date in June for AES Meeting (June 13 or 27th)

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Irwin to set new date of June 13, 2023 at 4 PM for AES Meeting.

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

Mr. Douglass thanked the board, Larry Ewald, David Gosnell and Corrinne Kerley for the time and expertise in the interview process and recommendation of Kristen Marino.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 23.04.10-2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF KRISTEN MARINO AS THE RECREATION DIRECTOR FOR THE TOWN OF PERU.

Motion by: Mr. Bruno

Second by: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town Board has agreed that a new Recreation Director is necessary for the effective service of the Town of Peru's youth following the recommendation of the Town Board.

WHEREAS, Kristen Marino has served as the Assistant Recreation Director is willing to take on the role of Recreation Director.

WHEREAS, the Town Board decided to appoint Kristen Marino as Recreation Director at a yearly salary of \$18,000 with a one year probationary period beginning April 18, 2023

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	
	James Douglass	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Brandy McDonald	Excused	

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Other Business

Mr. Favro clarified the Mr. Helmer and Davis Pond Road situation. Mr. Favro stated the issue is a civil matter no more dispute or discussion.

Permanents easements for two residents residing on Locust Drive to rectify water issues was addressed by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Favro. Mr. Favro recommended permeant easements so no cost would be to the residents.

Mr. Tetrault stated all facilities were being cleaned up after the winter.

Motion by Mr. Barber seconded by Mr. Bruno to advertise for Assistant Recreation Director starting salary of \$ 3200.00.

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

Mrs. Nerska stated she had plenty of assistance on Mondays.

Mr. Guynup sated he has received 3 quotes for School Street. Mr. Guynup would like to confirm with Kimberly Davis (Clinton County Treasurer) that the expense will be added to the taxes.

Mr. Brian Marino asked in future discussion if an increase in the recreation assistants wage could possibly happen.

Mrs. Marino stated Peru School Lacrosse team was using the Lapham Mills field for practice. Mr. Favro stated the school needs to provide the town with insurance policy.

Mr. Jarvis stated lawns were being cleaned, equipment was being serviced and there will be no sweeping this year as no sand was used which was huge savings to the town.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

NONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 23.04.10-3

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

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 2023:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in April 2023; #202300406 through and including #202300470

Abstract dated: 4/4/2023.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$129,480.77; of that, \$15,496.38 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$113,984.39 is remaining to be paid and

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	
	James Douglass	x	
	Mel Irwin	x	
	Brandy McDonald	Excused	

Carried: 4 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr.Barber to adjourn the meeting at 7:15PM

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

_____ *Deputy Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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