

The Regular Meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday December 12, 2022 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Brandy McDonald Supervisor; Mr. James Douglass, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman; Mr. Richard Barber; Councilman, Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk. Also present were Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent ; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer; Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board, Mr. T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer and Mrs. Kristin Marino, Interim Recreation Director(Absent).

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Mr. McDonald, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass 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; and Banking Reports). No Highway Report

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Douglass to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2022 meeting.

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion Carried**

### **Community Input**

Mr. John Ryan asked about the potholes on Mannix Road and robberies in the town.

Mr. Farrell stated the road was shimmed.

Mr. McDonald stated at this time there is no leads on the individuals involved in the robberies

### **Info Brief on Allen Hill Trails**

Mr. Chris Moran and Mr. Mike Derrick presented a slide show to explain a trail being developed near the Peru Rod and Gun Club and with the permission of landowner Jim Allen. The trail will also be included in the trail map. Mr. Barber stated certain property lines were not correct on slides. Mr. Derrick appreciated the correction.

### **2023 Tax Season Hours- January**

|            |                             |
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| Monday-    | 9am-2pm                     |
|            | 4pm-6pm- January 9, 23 & 30 |
| Tuesday-   | 9am-2pm                     |
| Wednesday- | 9am-2pm                     |
| Thursday-  | 9am-2pm                     |
| Friday-    | 9am-2pm                     |
| Saturday-  | January 28 - 9am -11am      |

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Douglass to change December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, meeting time from 6 PM to 10 AM.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Barber to approve Luck Brothers Payment App #6 for Telegraph Culvert Project in the amount of \$ 214,975.50.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Irwin to approve Luck Brothers Payment App #7 for Telegraph Culvert Project in the amount of \$ 76,569.41.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.12-1**

**A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE FENCING TO ENCLOSE SALT STORAGE AREA BY THE TOWN OF PERU HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.**

**MOTION:** Mr. Bruno

**SECOND:** Mr. Douglass

**WHEREAS,** The Town of Peru Town Board has found a need to purchase chain-link fencing for the Highway to more efficiently and to prevent theft of stored salt. The Town Highway Department received bids and C & E Fencing, LLC was the lowest responsible bid received.

**WHEREAS,** the lowest bid received was \$7,883.00 (Seven thousand eight hundred eighty three dollars to furnish and install fencing as per specifications and

**WHEREAS,** the Town Board and the Highway Department Superintendent have determined that the new fencing of the salt storage area would provide the Highway Dept. to more efficiently protect the salt from theft and to award the bid to C & E Fencing, LLC, and **NOW**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign all paperwork to execute this purchase as soon as possible.

| <b>Roll Call:</b> |                            | <b><u>YES</u></b> | <b><u>NO</u></b> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                   | <b>Richard Barber, Jr.</b> | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Kregg Bruno</b>         | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>James Douglass</b>      | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Mel Irwin</b>           | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Brandy McDonald</b>     | <b>x</b>          |                  |

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.12-2**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRAD RUSHFORD TO THE TOWN OF PERU YOUTH COMMISSION**

**MOTION:** Mr. Bruno

**SECOND:** Mr. Barber

**WHEREAS,** The Peru Youth Commission has recommended that Brad Rushford be appointed to the Peru Youth Commission as of this date.

**THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of the Peru Youth Commission and appoints Brad Rushford, **AND, BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED,** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

| <b>Roll Call:</b> |                            | <b><u>YES</u></b> | <b><u>NO</u></b> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                   | <b>Richard Barber, Jr.</b> | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Kregg Bruno</b>         | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>James Douglass</b>      | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Mel Irwin</b>           | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Brandy McDonald</b>     | <b>x</b>          |                  |

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW # 3 OF 2022**

**A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE AND THE STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE IN THE TOWN OF PERU.**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.12-3**

**PASSING OF LOCAL LAW #3 OF 2022 PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE AND THE STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE IN THE TOWN OF PERU.**

**MOTION BY:** Mr. Bruno

**SECONDED BY:** Mr. Barber

**WHEREAS,** a public hearing having been held on the proposed Local Law on December 12, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board has before it the proposed Local Law #3 of 2022,

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED** that Local Law #3 of 2022 “Uniform Fire Prevention, Building and Energy Conservation Code” is hereby adopted.

**Discussion:**

| <b>Roll Call:</b> |                            | <b><u>YES</u></b> | <b><u>NO</u></b> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                   | <b>Richard Barber, Jr.</b> | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Kregg Bruno</b>         | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>James Douglass</b>      | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Mel Irwin</b>           | <b>x</b>          |                  |
|                   | <b>Brandy McDonald</b>     | <b>x</b>          |                  |

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

***Telegraph Road Culvert Project Update***

Mr. Farrell stated the original project is completed until spring. Unfortunately another culvert has become a question of a safety concern. Army Corps of Engineers is involved with the possibility of an aluminum arch as they are less costly. Mr. Farrell spoke with Karl Weiss, and he recommended to refile for the Bridge New York grant.

***Sewer/Elm St. Project Update***

Mr. Tetrault stated project is done and can be removed from the agenda.

***Other Business***

Mr. Bruno commented on how nice Heyworth Mason Building looks and the tractor parade was awesome.

Mrs. Miller stated our newly elected Judge- Scott Thurber was attending “Taking the Bench” school this week.

Mrs. Miller thanked Mr. Sikelianos for his great response and so quickly resolving issues with dog calls.

Mr. Guynup asked Mr. Ryan if he would list in the Peru Gazette volunteers for the planning and zoning board are needed.

Ms. Barber stated the Mr. Larry Cromie will have the appraisal completed by the end of the week for Clarks Landing property and SAM Grant from NYS.

***Public Comments on Agenda Items Only***

**NONE**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.12-4**

**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 2022:

From Town of Peru Vouchers in December 2022; #2022001470 through and including #202201574,

Abstract dated December 7, 2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$1,261,902.23, of that, \$460,732.90 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$801,169.33 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.

| <b>Roll Call:</b>          | <b><u>YES</u></b> | <b><u>NO</u></b> |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>Richard Barber, Jr.</b> | <b>x</b>          |                  |
| <b>Kregg Bruno</b>         | <b>x</b>          |                  |
| <b>Mel Irwin</b>           | <b>x</b>          |                  |
| <b>James Douglass</b>      | <b>x</b>          |                  |
| <b>Brandy McDonald</b>     | <b>x</b>          |                  |

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**Motion** by Mr. Barber; second by Mr. Bruno to adjourn regular meeting to go into Executive session at 7:05 PM to discuss possible litigation issue; no decision will made.

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion** by Mr. Douglass second by Mr. Bruno to adjourn Executive session and return to Regular meeting at 7:18 PM

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno; seconded by Mr. Douglass to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:19 PM.

**Ayes 5 Noes 0**

**Motion Carried**

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