

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Thursday December 29, 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 and Mr. T'Chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer. Mrs. Kristin Marino, Interim Recreation Director arrived at 10:10 AM.

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM by Mr. McDonald, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Douglass seconded by Mr. Bruno to accept December Highway Department monthly report.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion by Mr. Barber seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve December 12, 2022 Public Hearing.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion by Mr. Douglass seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve December 12, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Community Input

NONE

Motion by Mr. Barber seconded by Mr. Bruno to set January 9, 2023 at 6 PM for Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting to follow.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion by Mr. Bruno seconded by Mr. Irwin to rescind Resolution #22.12.12-1 for awarding of Fencing Bid Due to Incorrect Quantities.

Ayes 5 Noes 0

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.29-1

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

MOTION: Mr. Barber

SECOND: Mr. Bruno

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 two re-bids and C & E Fencing, LLC was the lowest responsible bid received.

WHEREAS, the lowest re-bid received was \$10,635.00 (Ten thousand six hundred thirty five 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.

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

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| | Brandy McDonald | x | |
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Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.29-2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OF NAMING THE COMPANY OF XILITICS, INC. AS THE SOLE SOURCE OF CAMERAS AND TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THE EFFICIENCY OF THE SALT BRINE SYSTEM AND TEMPERATURE TRACKING OF ROADS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, the Town of Peru has a policy of competitive purchasing practices where practicable; and,

WHEREAS, the goods/services are only available from a sole source supplier, that being Xilitics, Inc. for the camera and tracking system used in conjunction with the salt brine system for efficiency and safety.

WHEREAS, the goods/services have unique or special design/performance features, characteristics, or capabilities that are essential and required to accompany the salt brine system. No substitute exists that can meet the needs of the equipment.

WHEREAS, procurement of single source equipment and services related to the highway department allows for efficient operations, maintenance, and repair as well as promotes the public's best interest for the safety and deicing of the roads in the Town of Peru,

RESOLVED, the Town Board is in full support of naming the above company as sole source for the identified camera and tracking systems by use of the highway department. **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 | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.29-3

A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE WEATHER STATION CAMERAS, SALT TRACKING SYSTEM AND SEASONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM XILITICS, INC. BY THE TOWN OF PERU HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board has found a need to purchase (6) weather station cameras and (8) salt tracking systems for the Highway Department to use the salt brine system more efficiently and to help determine the temperatures and conditions of the outlying roads. The Town Highway Department received the pricing from Xilitics, Inc., a single source supplier.

WHEREAS, the price quote received was \$37,484.00 (thirty seven thousand four hundred eighty four dollars and no cents) to purchase Mini RWIS weather station cameras, MTS Pro Salt Tracker systems and solar panel as per attached quote, seasonal subscriptions and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Highway Department Superintendent have determined that the new camera systems and would provide the Highway Dept. to more efficiently use the salt brine system, track the road temperatures and award the purchase to Xilitics, Inc., and **NOW**

BE IT RESOLVED that 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> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | Richard Barber, Jr. | x | |
| | Kregg Bruno | x | |
| | James Douglass | x | |
| | Mel Irwin | x | |
| | Brandy McDonald | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

Mr. Farrell stated the quantity was reduced from the discussion with the Town of Hague and the actual areas that needed coverage.

Motion by Mr. Douglass seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve Luck Bros. Pay Application #4 for Elm St. Project in the amount of \$ 243,105.74.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

Motion by Mr. Irwin seconded by Mr. Barber table Item # 13 on Agenda

5 Ayes 0 Noes

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF TOWN FUNDS WITHIN THE
GENERAL FUND**

RESOLUTION # 22.12.29-4

MOTION: Mr. Barber

SECOND: Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town General Accounts** funds need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances (see Attached Schedule of Transfers) and

WHEREAS, The outstanding positive balances in the General Fund are more than adequate to cover the accounts in need of transfers, be it

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the attached ten (10) transfers in the total amount of **\$16,900.91** to better align negative and positive line items.

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 | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

| GENERAL | DATE 12-29-2022 | | |
|------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| FROM FUND | AMOUNT | TO FUND | POSTED |
| A00.1110.0200 | \$ 201.59 | A00.1110.0410 | |

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| A00.1110.0400 | \$ | 5.20 | A00.1110.0410 |
| A00.1340.0400 | \$ | 81.21 | A00.1110.0410 |
| A00.1660.0400 | \$ | 105.00 | A00.1670.0400 |
| A00.1410.0110 | \$ | 0.08 | A00.5010.0100 |
| A00.1355.0400 | \$ | 128.49 | A00.5010.0400 |
| A00.7020.0100 | \$ | 3,464.92 | A00.5132.0100 |
| A00.1680.0200 | \$ | 500.00 | A00.6410.0420 |
| A00.5110.0400 | \$ | 10,769.04 | A00.5132.0410 |
| A00.3510.0400 | \$ | 1,645.38 | A00.7110.0400 |
| TOTAL | \$ | 16,900.91 | |

The drastic increase was due to the high cost of fuel and generator purchases.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF TOWN FUNDS WITHIN THE HIGHWAY FUND

RESOLUTION # 22.12.29-5

MOTION: Mr. Bruno

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town Highway Accounts** funds need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances (see Attached Schedule of Transfers) and

WHEREAS, The outstanding positive balances in the Highway Fund are more than adequate to cover the accounts in need of transfers, be it

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the attached nineteen (19) transfers in the total amount of **\$142,314.05** to better align negative and positive line items.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

| | HIGHWAY | | DATE 12-29-2022 |
|---|------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| | FROM FUND | AMOUNT | TO FUND |
| 1 | DA0.1990.0400 | \$ 27,003.76 | DA0.5110.0410 |
| 2 | DA0.5110.0100 | \$ 24,963.31 | DA0.5130.0410 |
| 3 | DA0.5112.0200 | \$ 7,976.37 | DA0.5130.0410 |
| 4 | DA0.5110.0120 | \$ 136.75 | DA0.5140.0400 |
| 5 | DA0.5110.0120 | \$ 1,616.00 | DA0.5142.0410 |
| 6 | DA0.5020.0400 | \$ 14,854.38 | DA0.5142.0420 |
| 7 | DA0.5130.0100 | \$ 1,200.00 | DA0.5132.0200 |

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| 8 | DA0.9089.0820 | \$ 450.00 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 9 | DA0.9060.0800 | \$ 5,673.87 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 10 | DA0.9040.0800 | \$ 54.66 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 11 | DA0.9035.0800 | \$ 868.51 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 12 | DA0.9030.0800 | \$ 3,710.05 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 13 | DA0.9055.0800 | \$ 6.80 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 14 | DA0.5142.0120 | \$ 7,158.15 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 15 | DA0.5142.0100 | \$ 24,314.14 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 16 | DA0.5140.0100 | \$ 8,995.31 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 17 | DA0.5130.0100 | \$ 3,939.88 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 18 | DA0.5112.0200 | \$ 8,659.51 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| 19 | DA0.9089.0810 | \$ 732.60 | DA0.5130.0420 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 142,314.05 | |

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF TOWN FUNDS WITHIN THE PERU SEWER FUND

RESOLUTION # 22.12.29-6

MOTION: Mr. Douglass

SECOND: Mr. Irwin

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town Peru Sewer Accounts** funds need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances (see Attached Schedule of Transfers) and

WHEREAS, The outstanding positive balances in the Peru Sewer Fund are more than adequate to cover the accounts in need of transfers, be it

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the attached four (4) transfers in the total amount of **\$13,021.43** to better align negative and positive line items.

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 | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

| | SEWER | | DATE 12-29-2022 | |
|---|------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|
| | FROM FUND | AMOUNT | TO FUND | POSTED |
| 1 | SP0.8120.0410 | \$ 874.86 | SP0.8120.0420 | |
| 2 | SP0.8120.0430 | \$ 7,243.46 | SP0.8130.0420 | |
| 3 | SP0.8110.0400 | \$ 3,674.22 | SP0.8130.0220 | |

4 SP0.8110.0400 \$ 1,228.89 SP0.8130.0430
TOTAL \$ 13,021.43

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF TOWN FUNDS WITHIN THE
 VALCOUR SEWER FUND**

RESOLUTION # 22.12.29-7

MOTION: Mr. Barber **SECOND:** Mr. Douglass

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town Valcour Sewer Accounts** funds need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances (see Attached Schedule of Transfers) and

WHEREAS, The outstanding positive balances in the Valcour Sewer Fund are more than adequate to cover the accounts in need of transfers, be it

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the attached two (2) transfer in the total amount of **\$523.37** to better align negative and positive line items.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

| | VALCOUR | | DATE 12-29-2022 | |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| | FROM FUND | AMOUNT | TO FUND | POSTED |
| 1 | SV0.8110.0400 | \$ 154.58 | SV0.8130.0400 | |
| 2 | SV0.8110.0400 | \$ 368.79 | SV0.8120.0420 | |
| | TOTAL | \$ 523.37 | | |

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF TOWN FUNDS WITHIN THE
 WATER FUND**

RESOLUTION # 22.12.29-8

MOTION: Mr. Irwin

SECOND: Mr. Bruno

WHEREAS, In order to meet the financial needs for the management of **the Town Water Accounts** funds need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances (see Attached Schedule of Transfers) and

WHEREAS, The outstanding positive balances in the Water Fund are more than adequate to cover the accounts in need of transfers, be it

RESOLVED, That the Town Board has authorized the attached three (3) transfers in the total amount of **\$3,763.95** to better align negative and positive line items.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

| | WATER | | DATE 12-29-2022 | |
|---|------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| | FROM FUND | AMOUNT | TO FUND | POSTED |
| 1 | SW0.8310.0110 | \$ 191.10 | SW0.8340.0110 | |
| 2 | SW0.8340.0200 | \$ 2,397.69 | SW0.8310.0400 | |
| 3 | SW0.8340.0400 | \$ 1,175.16 | SW0.8320.0400 | |
| | TOTAL | \$ 3,763.95 | | |

Other Business

Mr. Barber suggested a copula over the bell at Heyworth. Mr. Barber was going to reach out to Mr. Arnold for possible design and price quote.

Mr. McDonald stated 76 families and 141 kids benefitted from the Christmas giving. Mr. McDonald stated the generosity is unbelievable.

Mr. Farrell was pleased to share new highway employee Adam Archer passed his road test and has plowed 2 runs.

Mr. Guynup mentioned 12/31/22 the gas tax expires and prices will increase.

Mrs. Marino stated basketball uniforms are ordered and available for pick up within a few days. Practices start next week, 2 students have attended referee school and will officiate game.

Motion by Mr. Irwin seconded by Mr. Barber to advertise for Recreation Director position.
5 Ayes 0 Nays

Mr. McDonald thanked everyone for 2022 and being a team.

Larry Cromie has submitted the appraisal for the Clarks' Landing property the Town and Ms. Barber has forwarded it on to DASNY for their review.

Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

Mr. Ryan thanked the town board and staff for 2022 for their work.

Mr. McDonald thanked Mr. Ryan for his continued support to our town.

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 22.12.29-9

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

MOTION: Mr. Douglass

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; #2022001575 through and including #202201676.

Abstract dated December 27, 2022

For the dollar amount totaling: \$573,171.96 of that, \$19,358.48 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$553,813.48 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: | YES | NO |
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| Richard Barber, Jr. | x | |
| Kregg Bruno | x | |
| Mel Irwin | x | |
| James Douglass | x | |
| Brandy McDonald | x | |

Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION NEEDED

Motion by Mr. Barber; seconded by Mr. Douglass to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:48 AM.
Ayes 5 Noes 0 **Motion Carried**

_____ *Supervisor* _____ *Councilman*

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_____ *Councilman*