

The Regular Meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on January 13, 2025 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Craig Randall, Supervisor; Mr. James Douglass, Mr. Eric Duquette, Councilman; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Melvin Irwin, Councilman and Mrs. Dianne Miller, Town Clerk. Also present were Ms. Pamela Barber, Confidential Secretary to the Board and Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Matthew Favro, Town Attorney (Excused) Mr. T'chaka Sikelianos, Dog Control Officer; Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Tyler Jarvis, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Mr. Courtney Tetrault, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mrs. Kristin Marino, Recreation Director; Mrs. Helen Nerska, Town Historian and Mr. Bob Guynup, Zoning Officer Control Officer. Ayes 0 Noe

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

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

**5 Ayes 0 Nays**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion** by Mr. Douglass seconded by Mr. Douglass to accept Regular Meeting minutes held December 30, 2024.

**5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**Motion Carried**

**Community Input**

Ms. Karyn Langlais stated she did not feel there was any follow up with the Telegraph Road culvert from her perspective.

Mr. Crandall also stated according to protocol a 3 minute limit of speaking will be enforced

Mr. Coleman a resident on Garrow Road asked for maintenance on Garrow Road. The town owns 663' feet which the town maintains. Mr. Coleman understood and respected the town officials as they were only responsible for the first 663.

Motion by Mr. Duquette; second by Mr. Bruno for # 8 agenda item to be # 7 and #7 to be # 8.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-1**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF ATLANTIC TESTING LABORATORIES FOR THE FULLER ROAD CULVERT PROJECT FOR SUBSURFACE AND GEOTECHNICAL EVALUATION SERVICES.**

**MOTION: Mr. Bruno**

**SECOND: Mr. Douglass**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has deemed it necessary for the Town of Peru to hire Atlantic Testing Laboratories for the Fuller Road Culvert Project ATL No. CD998-3492-12-24 for Subsurface and Geotechnical Evaluation Services.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has decided that the proposal of Atlantic Testing Laboratories Lyons Road is reasonable; **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Peru accepts the proposal of Atlantic Testing Laboratories at a cost

estimated to be Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Five Dollars and No Cents

(\$23,585.00) as per attached Fee Schedule.

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>		<b><u>YES</u></b>	<b><u>NO</u></b>
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	<b>Kregg Bruno</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-2**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF ATLANTIC TESTING LABORATORIES FOR THE LYONS ROAD CULVERT PROJECT FOR SUBSURFACE AND GEOTECHNICAL EVALUATION SERVICES.**

**MOTION: Mr. Bruno**

**SECOND: Mr. Douglass**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has deemed it necessary for the Town of Peru to hire Atlantic Testing Laboratories for the Lyons Road Culvert Project ATL No. CD998-3490-12-24 for Subsurface and Geotechnical Evaluation Services.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has decided that the proposal of Atlantic Testing Laboratories Lyons Road is reasonable; **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town of Peru accepts the proposal of Atlantic Testing Laboratories at a cost estimated to be Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$23,585.00) as per attached Fee Schedule.

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>		<b><u>YES</u></b>	<b><u>NO</u></b>
	<b>Kregg Bruno</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-3**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF RYAN DAVIES FROM THE TOWN OF PERU PLANNING BOARD POSITION EFFECTIVE JANUARY 8, 2025.**

**MOTION: Mr. Douglass**

**SECOND: Mr. Douglass**

**WHEREAS**, Town of Peru Planning Board has recommended that Town Board accepts Ryan Davies' resignation offered January 8, 2025.

**THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Peru Town Board sadly agrees with the recommendation of the Town of Peru Planning Board to accept Ryan Davies’ resignation and thanks him for his unwavering dedication and past service to the Town of Peru. His resignation will be effective January 8, 2025.

**AND, BE IT**

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>		<b><u>YES</u></b>	<b><u>NO</u></b>
	<b>Kregg Bruno</b>	x	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	x	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	x	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	x	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	x	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-4**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RICHARD WILLIAMS TO THE TOWN OF PERU PLANNING BOARD AS CHAIRMAN.**

**MOTION: Mr. Duquette**

**SECOND: Mr. Bruno**

**WHEREAS**, at a meeting held on January 8, 2025, The Peru Town Planning Board has recommended that Richard Williams be reappointed to fill the Town Planning Board Chairman seat to begin January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

**THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of the Planning Board and reappoints Richard Williams to complete the term of the Chairman for the one year period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

**AND, BE IT**

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>		<b><u>YES</u></b>	<b><u>NO</u></b>
	<b>Kregg Bruno</b>	x	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	x	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	x	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	x	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	x	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01-13-5**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUSTIN WILSON TO THE TOWN OF PERU PLANNING BOARD AS THE AS VICE CHAIRMAN.**

**MOTION: Mr. Duquette**

**SECOND: Mr. Bruno**

**WHEREAS**, at a meeting held on January 8, 2025, the Peru Town Planning Board has recommended that Justin Wilson be appointed to fill the Town Planning Board Vice Chairman seat to begin January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

**THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Peru Town Board agrees with the recommendation of the Planning Board and appoints Justin Wilson to complete the term of the Vice Chairman for the one year period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

**AND, BE IT**

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

<b>Roll Call:</b>		<b><u>YES</u></b>	<b><u>NO</u></b>
	<b>Kregg Bruno</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**Allow the Highway Department to go to Bid for New Pick Up Truck**

Mr. Farrell stated the truck was allocated in the 2025 budget  
The truck being replaced is a 2011

Motion by Mr. Irwin second by Mr. Douglass to advertise for new pick-up truck.

5 Ayes 0 Noes

**To Allow the Peru Wastewater Upgrades Project Advertisement for Bids to be Placed in the Press Republican**

Motion by Mr. Bruno second by Mr. Douglass to allow the Peru Wastewater Upgrades Project be placed in the Press Republican for bid

5 Ayes 0 Noes

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-6**

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

**MOTION: Mr. Douglass**

**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 December 2024:

From Town of Peru Vouchers for December 2024 #202401865 through and including #202401903

Abstract dated 1/9/25.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$46,855.90 of that, \$453.08 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$46,402.82 is remaining to be paid for December 2024.

**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>Kregg Bruno</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**Other Business**

Ms. Langlais asked about what roads will be paved in 2025. Mr. Farrell stated at this time he was working on the schedule and will be going to Albany to lobby for the CHIPS money for paving.

Mr. Guynup is asking residents to do the comprehensive survey for the zoning office. Mrs. Miller offered to include the survey in tax receipts. Mr. Guynup stated yes.

Mr. Tetrault stated the new LED lights were being installed. Mr. Farrell thanked the water department for the installation.

Mr. Bruno stated the workshop held January 7, 2025 was very informative,

**Public Comments on Agenda Items Only**

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	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER: 25.01.13-7**

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

**MOTION: Mr. Bruno**

**SECOND: Mr. Douglass**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has reviewed and audited the following claims, bills and invoices for services rendered and goods provided to the Town in January 2025.

From Town of Peru Vouchers for January 2025 #20250001 through and including #202500037

Abstract dated 1/9/25.

For the dollar amount totaling: \$231,782.34 of that, \$14,596.37 was wired, credit cards and prepaid; and \$217,185.97 is remaining to be paid for January 2025.

**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>Kregg Bruno</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>James Douglass</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Eric Duquette</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Mel Irwin</b>	<b>x</b>	
	<b>Craig Randall</b>	<b>x</b>	

**Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Noes**

***Motion*** by Mr. Douglass; seconded by Mr. Irwin to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:54 PM.  
Ayes 5 Noes 0

***Motion Carried***

