

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday November 10, 2008 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Don Covell, Supervisor; Mr. Tom Powers, Councilman; Mr. Brandy McDonald, Councilman; Mr. Pete Glushko, Councilman; and Mrs. Kathleen Flynn, Town Clerk.
Arriving late, Mr. Cortland Forrence, Councilman.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Covell, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Glushko to pass resolution #08.11.10-1; approving the minutes from the October 30, 2008 Emergency Meeting. Ayes 4 Nays 0
Motion

Carried

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. McDonald to pass resolution #08.11.10-2; approving the minutes from the November 6, 2008 Public Hearing meeting. Ayes 4 Nays 0
Motion Carried

Reports from all departments.

Motion by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Glushko to accept the reports from Water/Sewer/Valcour, Highway, Town Clerk, Youth Department, Cod/Zoning Report and Supervisor's Report as presented. This excluded the Dog Control report.

Roll Call: Mr. Powers-No Mr. Forrence-excused Mr. McDonald-Yes
Mr. Glushko-Yes Mr. Covell-Yes

Mr. Powers would like the bank statements reconciled and requests that this is complete next month.

Mr. Covell would like it noted that the person that completed that job was taken away from the Supervisor and now the board members are responsible this.

Mr. Powers agrees and states that he was not in favor of removing the Secretary to the Supervisor position.

Community Input.

Mr. Allen publicly thanks Mr. Powers for picking up the campaign signs throughout Peru the night of the election.

Jean Schiffler. Asks the board if she is correct in assuming that the town owns the property between the road and the sidewalk and the property owner owns from the sidewalk to the back of their yard. Mrs. Schiffler states that she resents Mr. Powers going into her yard and taking the political signs off of her yard. Mrs. Schiffler states that she had paid for two of the signs.

Mr. Powers responds saying that he returned the signs. Mrs. Schiffler disagrees.

Mr. Schiffler also states that he disagrees with Mr. Powers statement.

Denis Mason. Informs the board that he is having trouble obtaining a permit for his OWB. Mr. Mason feels that he is abiding by the requirements and is confused and is looking for a decision as to what the town is doing with the permits that were submitted while the moratorium expired.

Mr. Glushko informs Mr. Mason that he and Mr. Forrence will look into this situation.

Keeping Julie Burdo as receptionist for two more weeks and adding two more hours a day as needed.

Mr. Covell states that he has contacted the CC Dept of Personnel and spoke to Amanda that verified that Julie could extend Julies hours up to six months and after that she would have to be classified.

Motion Mr. Forrence, seconded by Mr. Covell to have Julie Burdo work 4-6 hours per day as needed by the Supervisor, for the next three weeks. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Authority for employees point of contact for health care insurance issues.

Mr. Powers informs members that he has met with many employees who would like to be able to go directly to CFA regarding generic, administrative questions. Members suggest

that a letter is written to employees informing them that this is acceptable. Mr. Covell agrees to write a letter to all employees.

Gary Bertrand's Proposal to purchase property from the Town Of Peru.

Mr. Covell states that he has questions regarding town water lines that run through the proposed area, and the town's ability to service them.

Motion by Mr. Forrence seconded by Mr. Covell appointing Tom Powers to continue work with Gary Bertrand and Don Biggs to come up with a plan for a sale of this property. Ayes 5 Nays 0
Motion Carried

Cal Mitchell's Proposal to purchase property from the Town Of Peru.

Mr. Covell informs members that he met with Holly Chase (appraiser) and refers to the appraisal report she completed.

Motion by Mr. Forrence, seconded by Mr. McDonald to appoint Tom Powers to speak with Don Biggs about the Mitchell proposal to purchase property from the Town Of Peru. Ayes 5 Nays 0
Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Covell, seconded by Mr. Powers to pass resolution # 08.11.10-3;

WHEREAS, In order to meet all the financial needs for the management of the Valcour Sewer Department, funds from this department's accounts need to be transferred from line items with positive balances to line items with negative balances, and

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board will implement eight (8) line item transfers (see attached) in the total amount of \$6,425.

Roll Call: Mr. Powers-Yes Mr. Forrence-Yes Mr. McDonald-Yes
Mr. Glushko-Yes Mr. Covell-Yes **Motion**

Carried

Water Department and Water Tower wind rods and gussets-Insurance claims.

Mr. Powers reports to the board that he has been meeting with Mr. Timmons regarding damage sustained to the water tower and possible repercussions if repairs are not made. Members agree that if this situation is not fixed, more expensive repairs will be needed in the future.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Covell authorizing the Water/Sewer Superintendent to contact the insurance company to facilitate whatever needs to be done to complete a claim. Ayes 5 Nays 0
Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Forrence authorizing the Water/Sewer Superintendent to notify Pittsburg Tank and Tower that the board has authorized the Town Of Peru, Supervisor to sign the proposed "Scope of Work" presented before the board this evening.

Roll Call: Mr. Powers-Yes Mr. Forrence-Yes Mr. McDonald-Yes
Mr. Glushko-Yes Mr. Covell-Yes **Motion**

Carried

**Mr. Forrence states that he would like to have a workshop to work on the remaining financial concerns for 2008.*

Mr. Powers and Mr. Timmons agree to meet and discuss the past six months of financial information to discuss what is needed to identify possible allocated expense vs. BAN monies.

Members decide to schedule a Workshop on December 3 or 4th, 2008 at 6:00 PM to discuss 2008 budget issues. Mr. Covell is to contact Carolyn Tetrault to see when she can attend and inform Mrs. Flynn to allow her to advertise.

Pay allocation for Highway Superintendent.

Mr. Powers reports to the board that according to the resolution back in January 2008, the Highway Superintendent salary was set at \$46,000.00. Members agree that Mr. Hislop is entitled to \$46,000.00 for the year.

Mr. Covell agrees to speak to Carolyn Tetrault regarding adjusting the pay correctly.

**Mr. Forrence informs members that he has to leave as he has a scheduling conflict.*

Town of Champlain Shared Services.

Mr. Covell would like the board to research this and discuss at the next meeting.

Other Business

Mr. Powers would like to set a date for a seminar for the retiree/benefits. Mr. Covell would like Sandy Duquette (insurance representative) to attend this and speak also.

Mr. Powers would like to set a date for a workshop on Employee Benefits. Members agree to set a date of December 15, 2008 at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Glushko hands out information on a job description for the Secretary to the Board position that was created at the last meeting. Mr. Glushko explains that virtually all duties will remain the same, it is simply that the board has control over the hiring and firing in that position.

Mr. McDonald would like to address concerns that he has.

He states that it was not the board's intent to "get rid" of the current secretary to the Supervisor. Mr. Covell informed the members that she was leaving and the board took the opportunity to make a change.

Mr. McDonald also states that he has heard rumors that this person hired will be completing minutes for the town board meetings, and that this is not true and has not been discussed by this board. He also states that Mr. Glushko is getting absolutely NO financial compensation to assist the Supervisor during this transition.

Mr. McDonald also thanks Mr. Hislop (Highway Superintendent) for coming back to work for the Town Of Peru.

Motion by Mr. Covell, seconded by Mr. Glushko to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM.
Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion Carried

_____	Supervisor	_____	Councilman
_____	Councilman	_____	Councilman
_____	Councilman	_____	Town Clerk