

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, January 12, 2009 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Don Covell, Supervisor; Mr. Tom Powers, Councilman; Mr. Brandy McDonald, Councilman; Mr. Pete Glushko, Councilman; Mr. Don Biggs, Town Attorney; and Mrs. Lee Ann Ruff, Deputy Town Clerk. Excused, Mr. Cortland Forrence, Councilman, and Mrs. Kathleen Flynn, Town Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Mr. Covell, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. McDonald to pass resolution #09.01.12-1; Approving the minutes from the December 22, 2008 meeting. Ayes 3 Nays 0 Abstain (1) Mr. Covell – due to being absent from meeting. **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Covell to pass resolution #09.01.12-2; approving the minutes from the December 29, 2008 meeting. Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Glushko to pass resolution #09.01.12-3; approving the minutes from the December 30, 2008 Emergency Meeting. Ayes 3 Nays 0 Abstain-(1) Mr. McDonald – due to being absent from meeting. **Motion Carried**

Community Input.

Bob Cronin. Encourages the board to put a mileage policy in place. Also refers to a voucher presented for \$2,000.00 for a projector. Mr. Cronin states he believes that this could have been purchased locally, cheaper.

Workers Compensation. Mr. Covell commended Mr. Powers on his efforts in this area. Mr. Glushko questions who is the point of contact for Worker's Compensation. Board agrees that it should read Carlene Heipel as the Primary and Pam Barber as secondary.

Reports from Departments.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. McDonald to approve the following reports as presented, Water/Sewer/Valcour, Highway, Town Clerk, Dog Control, Youth Department, Code/Zoning and Supervisor's Report, with bank balances. Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

First KVS Payroll. Pam Barber reports to the board that a mock payroll to make sure it matched with ADP and it went excellent. The next payroll is scheduled on January 23, 2009.

Other Business.

Mr. Powers states that he has met with a property owner (Mitchell's) he states that they are still willing to proceed and they are currently trying to work with their surveyor on the next step. Mr. Covell states that he suggested to Mr. Mitchell that he make the town an offer before they spend more money on surveying. Mr. Powers states that this has already been done.

Mr. Powers states that the liability insurance runs out April 1st.

Motion by Mr. Covell, seconded by Mr. McDonald appointing Mr. Powers as the board member to make contact with the department heads to review insurance coverages, and to solicit bids from three insurance vendors, with the information being returned to the board. Ayes 4 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Mr. Glushko states that he would like to set a tentative date of January 21, 2009 at 2:00 PM to have Bill James come in and discuss the working environment within the town hall.

Mr. McDonald informs members that Dr. Politi's office called him and commended Paul Blaine for assisting in enforcing the burning law that was affecting the property where his practice is located.

Mr. Biggs states that he has the settlement proceeds (\$10,000.00) from the insurance company and he has given it to Mr. Covell.

Ms. Barber asks the board if a resolution is needed to continue the employment of Julie Burdo for one day due to payroll training that is currently going on within the town hall. Mr. Covell would like Mrs. Burdo to work on an as needed basis. Mr. Powers would like to discuss this further in executive session.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Glushko to extend the employment of Julie Burdo for one more day, with her termination date January 16, 2008. Ayes 4 Nays 0
Motion Carried

Public comment.

Mike Farrell (Highway Superintendent) states that one of the Highway trucks hit a deer at the beginning of the month. He also spoke about various other issues that he has come across. He reports that things are going well. Mr. Farrell also states that he would like to inform the public that if they have concerns, to please contact him as he is eager to listen and work with the community on their concerns.

Nancy Long questions the board why retirees health insurance is on the agenda. Mr. Powers states that he is not sure why.

Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Glushko to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:59 PM. Ayes 4 Nays 0
Motion Carried

_____ **Supervisor** _____ *Councilman*

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