

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, March 8, 2010 at the Peru Town Hall. Those present were Mr. Pete Glushko, Supervisor; Mr. Kregg Bruno, Councilman; Mr. Jim Douglass, Councilman; Mr. Brandy McDonald, Councilman; Mrs. Susan Polhemus, Councilwoman; Mr. Don Biggs, Town Attorney; and Mrs. Kathleen Flynn, Town Clerk.

Also present were Mr. Michael Farrell, Highway Superintendent; Mr. Robert Wright, Highway Foreman, Mr. Keith Dew, Highway Department; Mr. Greg Timmons, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Mr. and Mrs. Ron Allen, Town Historians; Mr. Don McBrayer, Website coordinator; and Mrs. Pamela Barber, Secretary to the Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Mr. Glushko, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2010 Public Hearing. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. McDonald to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2010 regular meeting. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Community Input- Mr. McBrayer refers to item #20 on the agenda "No turn on red" intersection of Bear Swamp Road and Route 22. He states that he is curious about what it is. Mr. Glushko urges him to wait until the board discusses that item and perhaps they will clarify this issue. This will allow the board to follow the agenda in order.

Community Development Block Grant-

Mr. Bruno states his concerns (along with Mr. McDonald) that the rent will remain steady and not increase. They both refer to conflicting statements made regarding this. Mr. McDonald also would like to know how the rent compares to HUD guidelines.

Motion by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to table the resolution to approve the Community Development Block Grant. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. Bruno to amend the agenda, moving item #7 (Town Insurance Renewal Update) to #23A- after executive session. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Bond Payment Update-

Mr. Glushko states that all payments have been made and are up to date. The next payment due is an administrative fee of \$935.00. This payment is due April 1st.

Accept Reports-

Motion by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to accept the reports from the following departments, Water/Sewer/Valcour; Highway; Town Clerk; Youth Department; Dog Control; Code/Zoning; Supervisor's and Banking Report. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Award Highway Vehicle Bid

Mr. Glushko states that bids regarding purchasing a new town vehicle for the Highway Department were opened this morning. Mr. Farrell and members of the Highway Department reviewed all bids and have made a decision, and recommend the following.

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. McDonald to pass resolution #10.03.08-1;

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received certain bids in response to its request for same in connection with the purchase of a tandem dump truck with plow for use by the Town Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, in consultation with the Town Highway Superintendent, find that the bid of R.R. Charlesbois and Company, Inc. for a 2011 Freightliner Model#MM2112V tandem dump truck was the lowest bidder and the one that most closely met the bid specifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the bid of R.R. Charlesbois and Company, Inc. for a 2011 Freightliner Model#MM2112V tandem dump truck for One Hundred and Eighty Six Thousand, Four Hundred and Forty Seven Dollars and Zero Cents (\$186,447.00) is hereby accepted and the Town Supervisor and Highway Superintendent are hereby authorized to execute any further documentation necessary to facilitate and/or consummate the purchase for a price not to exceed this amount; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

*Mr. Glushko states that New York State Contract does not offer this vehicle. Mr. McDonald specifically asks if money has been budgeted for this purchase. Mr. Farrell replies "Yes".

Roll Call: Mr. Bruno-Yes Mr. Douglass-Yes Mr. Glushko-Yes
Mr. McDonald-Yes Mrs. Polhemus-Yes **Motion Carried**

#1 Truck Dump Box

Mr. Farrell refers to this truck as a 2001 with a dump box that is in extremely poor condition. Mr. Farrell states that he is simply giving the board a "heads up" as work will need to be done and it needs to last another six years. Mr. Glushko informs Mr. Farrell that he will discuss this further with him in the coming weeks, and will keep the board informed.

Town road Postings for Weight for the Spring Thawing

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. Douglass to pass resolution #10.03.08-2; WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has informed the Town Board that in order to protect certain town roads it is necessary to exclude certain heavy vehicle traffic for limited periods of time during the year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that beginning March 23, 1010 and until such time as the Board directs otherwise, the following town roads shall be closed to any vehicle having a gross weight of over ten thousand (10,000) pounds per axle:

Allen Hill Road	Entire Length
Arthur Road	Entire Length
Barney Downs Road	Entire Length
Blake Road	Entire Length
Bloomfield Drive	Entire Length
Brand Hollow Road	Entire Length
Campsite Road	Entire Length
Canavan Road	Entire Length
Connors Road	Entire Length
Daven Road	Entire Length
Denton Road	Entire Length
Eccles Road	Entire Length
Fox Farm Road	Entire Length
Fuller Road	Entire Length
Holden Ave	Entire Length
Jarvis Road	Entire Length
John Boswell Road	Entire Length
Lapham Mills Road	Entire Length
Lyons Road	Entire Length
Maiden Lane	Entire Length
Mannix Road	Entire Length
Military Turnpike	Entire Length
Patent Road	Entire Length
Reservoir Road	Entire Length

Rock Road	Entire Length
Rockwell Road	Entire Length
Rod & Gun Club Road	Entire Length
Signor Road	Entire Length
Stoney Hill Road	Entire Length
Strackville Road	Entire Length
Sullivan Road	Entire Length
Taylor Road	Entire Length
Telegraph Road	Entire Length
Wescott Road	Entire Length
Windingbrook Road	Entire Length

And it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Highway Superintendent is directed to erect signs on each road named above indicating that such roads are closed to any vehicles with a gross weight in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds per axle; and it is further

RESOLVED that upon written application to the Town Board by any operator of a vehicle subject to this resolution, the Town Board may, in its discretion, issue such a permit providing an appropriate exemption to such vehicle if it is deemed that such vehicle is performing an essential local pick-up or delivery service and that the failure to grant such a permit would create a hardship. Every such permit may designate the route to be traversed or contain other reasonable restrictions or conditions deemed necessary. Every such permit shall be carried on the vehicle to which it refers and shall be open to inspection by any peace officer, acting pursuant to his special duties, or police officer. Such permits shall be effective and valid only for the duration of the road closures created by this resolution; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall cause to be published in the Press Republican a notice that the above named roads will be closed to vehicles with a gross weight in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds per axle and that persons can apply in writing to the Town Board for an exemption permit; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call: Mr. Bruno-Yes Mr. Douglass-Yes Mr. Glushko-Yes
Mr. McDonald-Yes Mrs. Polhemus-Yes **Motion Carried**

Approval of Elmore SPCA Contract and Engineering Ventures Contract

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the contract for the Elmore SPCA and Engineering Ventures as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Appointment of Brian Marino to Peru Youth Commission

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. McDonald, to appoint Mr. Brian Marino (under the recommendation of the Youth Commission) to the Peru Youth Commission, effective immediately. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Assistant Youth Director

Motion by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. Glushko, to appoint Kathleen Flynn (under the recommendation of the Youth Commission) as the Assistant Youth Director, for the 2010 season. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

Voting Machines

Mr. Glushko has been speaking with George Coon (election custodian) and Dawn Stetz (Peru Central School representative) regarding the use of the town machines for the School District vote. Questions are circulating regarding the use of these machines. Mrs. Flynn has also been speaking with the above regarding the same. Mrs. Flynn informs

board members that Mr. Coon will be speaking directly with Dawn Stetz and the board of elections to allow for proper and timely machine transition.

Resolution Acknowledging Arik Robinson as State Wrestling Champ

Mr. Bruno refers to plaque the Mr. McDonald has purchased for the acknowledgement of Mr. Robinson. Mr. Bruno also states that he will get the specific information for the wording of this resolution to Ms. Barber to allow for presentation of the plaque and resolution at the next meeting.

Payroll for Seasonal Youth Program Employees

Mr. Glushko states that he would like the liasons for the Youth Commission to review the payroll procedures to make sure that they meet the Comptroller scrutiny and approval.

Mr. McDonald also asks Mrs. Flynn to inquire as to whether or not the Youth Commission has plans to extend the fence along Route 22.

“No turn on red” sign at intersection of Bear Swamp road and Route 22

Mr. Farrell states that he has been approached about this several times. Mr. Farrell reminds the board that this is a state road and that the town has no control over the signage. Mr. Farrell also states that it is possible for the town to request DOT to review the sight for possible changes.

Town Hall Hours

Mr. Glushko states that he has been talking to various personnel and have found that the offices that are most requested to be open are the Zoning Office and Town Clerk. Mrs. Flynn states that she very often comes back in when requested. She also states that when she has scheduled (evening) office hours during tax season, she rarely has anyone that comes in to pay their tax bill.

Members decide that perhaps they will install a drop box on the outside of the building. This will be a trial to see if staffing is needed during evening hours.

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. McDonald to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:08 PM, to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue and contract negotiations. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Douglass to return to the regular meeting at 9:12 PM. Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Mr. Glushko states that the town insurance renewal will be on the next agenda for possible action.

AUD Report

Mr. Glushko states that Carolyn Tetrault (accountant) will do her best to have this completed for review for the next meeting.

Other Business

Mr. Douglass asks if information will be available (for board members) regarding the truck dump box. Mr. Glushko says it will.

Mr. McDonald asks Mr. Farrell about the security systems. Mr. Glushko informs members that he will be working with Mr. Farrell on this and will report back to the board with specifics when he has them.

Mr. Bruno states that he is still doing research on the noise ordinance.

Mr. Glushko informs members that he would like to designate a board member to attend a Charter Communications meeting. Mr. Bruno agrees to do this. Mr. Glushko states that he will be speaking with him more about this in the future.

Mr. Glushko informs members that the attorney that has been working on the Mud Pond Road has contacted the town attorney. Mr. Biggs states that perhaps there will be a

meeting in the near future. He will keep the board informed as information is forthcoming.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. McBrayer specifically asks who will take ownership of the voting machines after the election. Members indicate that they are not sure.

Mr. McDonald referred to the dilapidated steps in front of the town hall.

Motion by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. Bruno to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:22 PM. Ayes 5 Nays 0 ***Motion Carried***

_____ ***Supervisor*** _____ ***Councilman***

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