

The regular meeting of the Peru Town Board was held on Monday, April 12, 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; Lee Ann Ruff, Deputy Town Clerk.

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

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. McDonald to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2010 meeting pending the insertion of the resolution for the Town Insurance renewal. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

**Community Input**-None

**Discussion/Approval**-Monthly Reports

**Motion** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Douglass to accept the reports from all departments, excluding the Youth, which is missing. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

**Recognition of Arik Robinson**

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno, seconded by all town board members to pass resolution #10.04.12-1; Whereas, success and superiority in competition are achieved through intense workouts, painstaking practices, educated coaching and support from family and community; and

Whereas, it is the practice of this board to recognize and commend those high school athletes within peru that achieve the highest point of success in their sport; and

Whereas, the town board of peru is very proud to congratulate peru central school junior arik robinson on winning the NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DIVISION II WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP in the 112-pound weight class; and

Whereas, arik robinson defeated section v's colton dalberth by a score of 9-2 sealing his victory and returning back to the top of his class and another championship; and

Whereas, credit for this accomplishment also lies with coaches mike Hogan, gary Edwards, kregg bruno and Jason brown whose diligent teaching provide the essentials for athletic excellence; and

Whereas, this astonishing victory was arik robinson's third consecutive new York state championship as he accomplished this feat in the 96-pound division in 2008, and at the 103-pound division in 2009; and

Whereas, arik robinson's superior performance is evidence of his dedication, determination and intensity, his success stands as a hallmark of what is best in the athletic community, families and school mates within peru, now, therefore

Be it resolved, that the peru town board members pause in its deliberation and publicly congratulate arik robinson on the occasion of winning the 2010 new York state athletic association division ii wrestling championship; and

be it further resolved that a copy of this resolved, suitably embossed be transmitted to arik robinson so that it can be displayed as evidence of true excellence.

Mr. Bruno introduced Jake Goddeau (former State Champion); Patrick Hogan (State place winner); and coach Michael Hogan.

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

**Spit Fire Drainage Problems**

Mr. Glushko refers to the drainage problem at Spitfire. Mr. Farrell explains that the tile that was put in has not been successful in assisting this problem. Mr. Farrell is hesitant to spend anymore money until a meeting can be arranged with town officials and the town engineer. Members agree to tentatively set a workshop up in May, with a confirmation date to be set at the next meeting.

***Removal of Posted Road Signs***

***Motion*** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to have the posted road signs removed. Ayes 5 Nays 0 ***Motion Carried***

***Re-acceptance of Town Discrimination and Harassment Policy***

***Motion*** by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. McDonald to re-accept the town discrimination and harassment policy as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0 ***Motion Carried***

***Appointment of Harassment Policy Compliance Officer***

***Motion*** by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. McDonald appointing Mr. Glushko and Mr. Timmons as the compliance officers for the Town Of Peru. Ayes 5 Nays 0 ***Motion Carried***

***Purchase Fire Alarm System for highway Garage***

***Motion*** by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Mr. Bruno to pass resolution #10.04.12-2;

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board has found a need for a fire alarm system in the Town Highway Garage to protect valuable Town equipment and property from possible fire or smoke damage by providing prompt automated notice to the local fire department, and

WHEREAS, the town board has determined that the alarm system proposed by Security Concepts of NY, Inc. would provide the best possible fire/smoke detection and alarm system for the lowest proposed price, it is,

RESOLVED, that the Town of Peru accepts the proposal of Security Concepts of NY, Inc. dated January 15, 2010 and approves purchase of their proposed alarm system, including installation in the Town Highway Garage, for the proposed price of \$9,307.68 and authorizes the Town Highway Superintendent to coordinate the installation of the system as soon as possible.

Mrs. Polhemus questions the fee for call to the call center. Mr. Timmons indicates that there is \$195.00 fee per year for basic monitoring and a \$225 fee for commercial fire.

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

***Purchase Fire Alarm System for Water Department***

***Motion*** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to pass resolution #10.04.12-3;

WHEREAS, The Town of Peru Town Board has found a need for a fire alarm system in the Town Water/Sewer Garage to protect valuable Town equipment and property from possible fire or smoke damage by providing prompt automated notice to the local fire department, and

WHEREAS, the town board has determined that the alarm system proposed by Security Concepts of NY, Inc. would provide the best possible fire/smoke detection and alarm system for the lowest proposed price, it is,

RESOLVED, that the Town of Peru accepts the proposal of Security Concepts of NY, Inc. dated January 15, 2010 and approves purchase of their proposed alarm system, including installation in the Town Water/Sewer Garage, for the proposed price of \$6307.64 and authorizes the Town Water/Sewer Superintendent to coordinate the installation of the system as soon as possible.

Mrs. Polhemus asks if there is a yearly maintenance fee and asks about the warranty. Mr. Timmons agrees to review it.

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

#### ***Interview Process for Codes/Zoning Secretary***

Mr. Glushko states that he has obtained lists from the County, as this position is a Civil Service appointment. He says that he would like to conduct interviews involving Mr. Blaine, the two liasons and himself as soon as possible.

**Motion** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Douglass requesting Mr. Glushko to contact the first three people on the list that Mrs. Barber has obtained from the County Personnel Office regarding interest and availability for the secretarial position in the Zoning Office. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

#### ***Changes to Employee Handbook***

Mr. Glushko refers to the drafted copy of the above that he handed out some time ago. He refers to changes that were made and asks if there are specific questions. Mr. Bruno questions drug testing and how that is to be handled. Mr. Biggs states that he would like to review the changes before that portion of the handbook is approved.

**Motion** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the previously discussed changes and additions read by Mr. Glushko (which include Sick leave and harassment policy). Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

#### ***Approval of Computer Systems and Internet/On-Line Service Policy***

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. McDonald to approve the computer systems internet/online service policy as presented by Mr. Glushko, with inclusion into the employee handbook. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

#### ***NYS AUD Report***

Mr. Glushko reports to the board that the AUD report was filed with the State on April 1, 2010.

#### ***Secretary to the Board***

Mr. Glushko explains to the board that the Department of Personnel has informed the board that (according to state regulations) the position of "Secretary to the Board" cannot be exempt as the former title as "Secretary to the Supervisor" was exempt. Members discuss how to proceed to comply with the Department of Personnel and the state.

Mr. Bruno says that he is satisfied to have the position go back to what it was.

Mrs. Polhemus states that there is not much difference in the way that the law is written between the two positions.

Mr. Douglass questions was how the board ever got to this point.

Mr. Glushko will inform Mr. Gibson (from the County Personnel Office) that the board is still looking into this.

#### ***Bond Payment***

Mr. Glushko states that the bond payment that was due April 1<sup>st</sup> has been completed.

Mr. Glushko also informs members that there is another big Principle and interest payment in May, which will be made.

#### ***2010 Census***

Mr. Glushko reports that 74% of Peru residents have participated thus far.

#### ***Review/Update of Dog Control Local Law***

Mr. Glushko refers to the dog control local law that has not been revisited since 1999. Residents are concerned about dog owners walking their dogs and not taking proper care of their droppings. Mr. Glushko suggests that copies of the local law are distributed to allow the board members to review. Mr. Glushko will send via e-mail.

#### ***Town Internal Controls Audit***

Mrs. Polhemus states that she has met with the receptionist and has scheduled with the Zoning Office. She will also be scheduling an audit with the Town Clerk, Town Court and Supervisor's Office.

**Establish area speed limit for Quaker Highlands Subdivision with NYSDOT.**

**Motion** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mrs. Polhemus to pass resolution #10.04.12-4;

WHEREAS, the Town Board has been informed by the Highway Superintendent that certain roads in the Town of Peru are not posted for any specified speed limit and that, accordingly, the speed limit on these roads is, by default, fifty five miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Town Highway Superintendent and the Town Board that the speed limits on certain roads should be lower than fifty five miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has informed the Board that there is a process by which the State of New York will consider lowering the speed limit on these roads and that the first step in this process is for the Town Clerk to file certain forms with the Clinton County Highway Superintendent; be it

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk hereby complete and file with the Clinton County Highway Superintendent a Form TE10 in connection with area speed limits for the following roads:

- Quaker Highlands Road
- Quail Run Road
- Carriage Hill Road

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| <b>Roll Call:</b> | Mr. Bruno-Yes    | Mr. Douglass-Yes  | Mr. Glushko-Yes       |
|                   | Mr. McDonald-Yes | Mrs. Polhemus-Yes | <b>Motion Carried</b> |

**Motion** by Mr. Glushko, seconded by Mr. McDonald to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:16 PM. and go into executive session to discuss the history of a particular individual. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

**Motion** by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Bruno to return to the regular meeting at 8:44 PM. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

**Other Business**

Mr. Glushko referred to the noise ordinance law. He requested members to review it be ready to discuss possible revisions at the next meeting.

Mr. Bruno asked what the status was on the fencing at the Laphams Mills recreational park.

Mr. McDonald refers to many signs being damaged by paint balls. Mr. Glushko states that he will contact the Sherriff department and New York State Police regarding this issue.

Mr. Farrell informs members that the highway department will begin cleaning the roads and repairing damage to lawns that occurred during the winter.

**Public Comment**

Janet Downs encouraged the board to review that secretary to the board position very carefully in an attempt to avoid the problems the town encountered in the past.

Don McBrayer questions if the town will receive a break on the insurance once the fire alarms are installed.

**Motion** by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. McDonald to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 PM. Ayes 5 Nays 0 **Motion Carried**

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