



***City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
Regular Session  
October 5, 2015***

**Call to Order:** A regular meeting of the Pleasant Valley Board of Aldermen was called to order at City Hall, 6500 Royal, Pleasant Valley, Clay County, Missouri, by Mayor David Slater on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance-** Brent Stark from Boy Scout Troop 376 was present to lead the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present were: Daniel Bohn, John Higgins, Linda Jacoby, Jesse Jordan, Mary Langner, Ruth Mesimer, Rick Scarborough and James Smith.

Staff present: Public Works Director Chris Cronk, Police Captain Jared McGinley, Fire Chief Robert Stinson, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith, Court Clerk Kathy Bolek and City Clerk Georgia Fox.

**Consent Agenda:** Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jacoby. During discussion the City Clerk noted that corrections were made to the vote on council bill 3185. The vote to approve the consent agenda as amended was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**City Attorney, Engineer, Architect, and other professional services:** No professional service providers were scheduled to attend the meeting.

**Public Comments:** No one from the public wish to address the Board.

**Mayor Comments:** The Mayor announced that he was postponing appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustments and Park and Recreation Board until the next meeting, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Mayor discussed the topic of mowing easements and right of ways that are private property. During discussion Alderman Higgins made a motion for the City Public Works Department to cease mowing easements/right of ways of any and all private property at the end of this mowing season. Alderman Smith seconded the motion. Alderwoman Mesimer asked if this included MoDOT property and the response was no, MoDOT is not private property. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Aldermen Comments:** Alderman Smith asked that a reminder be given to pedestrians walking at night in the street (not on the sidewalk). He suggested they use reflective material, similar to what bicyclist have on their bicycles, so that cars can see them.

Alderman Higgins made a motion to take action regarding the unsafe conditions of the house at 8813 North Road (*Pleasant Valley City Code Chapter 215 and 216*). Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. The

Building Inspector is directed to inspect the property and send notice to the owner to abate the unsafe conditions. Director Cronk noted, should the need arise, the house demolition line item, 40-90-6961, was reduced in the last budget and does not contain enough to tear down structures other than what was planned during budget preparations last June.

### **Advisory Committees/Department Reports**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox provided the Board with the bi-monthly fire station construction status report. There was no further discussion of the report.

The City Clerk reported that the annual audit was being conducted this week.

The City Clerk also reported that City Attorney Tom Capps is waiting for a response from Pleasant Valley Manor regarding the land lease. Pleasant Valley Manor is conducting a cost study to determine the feasibility of installing a parking lot at 6813 Sobbie Road to determine if leasing the city's property makes sense for their situation.

Mrs. Fox also reported that the nuisance code, discussed at the last meeting, does not make a distinction between residential and commercial property and therefore would apply to commercial property as well. She also reported that the Florida owner of 6610 NE 69 Hwy has an appointed agent here in Missouri, as required by Missouri law. City Attorney Jerry Brant is currently reviewing Chapter 215 regarding nuisance violations to see if any updates are necessary and will make recommendations soon. Once he has responded the City can move forward with contacting the owner's agent. After some discussion, Alderman Bohn made a motion to begin the nuisance abatement process on the property at 6610 NE 69 Hwy. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Public Works:** Director Chris Cronk reminded everyone that the annual bulky item pick up is this Saturday.

The Director gave an update of the construction progress of the new fire station.

Director Cronk reported that the sewer scope had found 4 repairs need in the lines. He estimates the repairs will cost \$7,000-10,000 each. Once each has been fully analyzed he will get bids on the repairs and report to the Board on the actual cost.

Director Cronk also stated that they will resume work on the property at 6813 Sobbie Road later this week.

Alderman Higgins asked Director Cronk when Royal Street was scheduled to be resurfaced. Director Cronk said that he would like to have it done this year but was not able to due to lack of street repair funds. After more discussion of the condition of the street and cost of repair, Director Cronk said he would contact the City Engineer and request a cost analysis for repair and resurfacing of Royal Street. He will report back to the Board with the information so that future funding of the project can be planned.

Discussion returned to properties in disrepair. Alderwoman Mesimer asked Director Cronk about the condition of a house located on Pence Road. The Director replied that the inside of the house had been stripped of interior fixtures and could not be lived in its current state. After further discussion, Alderman Higgins made a motion to begin the abatement process on the house located at 8218 Pence Road. Alderman Bohn seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Robert Stinson noted that the Fire Department will be wearing a special uniform shirt in honor of breast cancer awareness month.

Chief Stinson requested approval for the purchase of a cardiac monitor, also discussed at the last meeting. The cost of the monitor is \$36,336.66. Chief Stinson explained the various uses and importance of cardiac monitors for EMS. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the expense. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Police Department:** Police Captain Jared McGinley had nothing further to add at this time. Mayor Slater noted the information in the board packet regarding the formal recognition of Officer Jacob Baldwin and Officer Ira Fogg at the 2015 Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriffs Association Annual Awards for Valor Ceremony.

**Municipal Court:** Court Clerk Kathy Bolek requested approval to close the court office on Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> so the clerks can attend the Western Division MACA meeting. Alderman Higgins made a motion to approve the closing. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Mrs. Bolek also reported that she had ordered two new desks to replace the old ones. She asked Alderman Higgins if she could sell the old desks. The City Clerk responded that Chapter 125 specifically addresses various acceptable forms for property disposition. Mrs. Fox asked Mrs. Bolek if she would allow her to research the chapter and advise her on what the proper procedure is for disposing of property and how the money received is posted. Alderwoman Jacoby made a motion to dispose of the desks in accordance with City Code. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. Alderman Higgins asked Mrs. Fox if the proceeds from the sale could be applied to that line item. Mrs. Fox responded that the proceeds would go into the miscellaneous line item under the general fund. Alderman Higgins asked if this could be changed due to the new capital purchases plan. Mrs. Fox will research the issue and report back.\*

*\*(Pleasant Valley City Code, Section 125.021, subsection F, states: Revenues generated by sales of surplus property originally purchased by the general operating fund will be returned to that fund as general revenue. Revenues generated by sales of surplus property originally purchased by a restricted or special fund shall be returned to such fund as revenue.)*

**Personnel Chair:** Alderman Bohn, Personnel Chair, made a motion to hire Michael Bohannon as Full Time Police Officer, pending background check, drug screen and pre-employment physical, at step 3, \$15.38 per hour. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to accept the resignation of Volunteer Fire Fighter Brendon Stinson effective 10/5/15. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to rescind the offer of hire to Volunteer Fire Fighter Zachery McMillian effective 10/5/15. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to approve an annual rate adjustment for Fire Fighter / EMT Xavier Panimboza, to step 5, \$11.82 per hour, and for Fire Fighter / Medic Colin Chang, to

step 5, \$14.07 per hour, both effective 9/27/15. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to approve an annual rate adjustment for Communications Training Officer Leslie Deichler, to step 6, \$15.36 per hour, and for Reserve Communications Officer Richelle Scarborough, to step 9, \$12.67 per hour, both effective 10/11/15. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- abstained and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to approve an annual rate adjustment for Full Time Police Officer Jeremy Monaco, to step 4, \$15.84 per hour, and for Reserve Police Officer Prescott Stoner, to step 9, \$13.30 per hour, both effective 10/11/15. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Finance Chair:** Alderman Higgins, Finance Committee Chair, had nothing to discuss at this time.

**Old Business:** Alderwoman Mesimer asked if Council Bill 3184, amending the descriptions of zoning districts, would be ready for consideration at the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. The City Clerk replied that it will be ready.

Alderwoman Mesimer asked if the City Attorney had filed a request for notice of foreclosure for the property at 8108 Pleasant Valley Rd as discussed at a previous meeting. The City Clerk responded that he had filed the notice with the Clay County Recorder of Deeds on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:** No new business was discussed.

**Consideration of Ordinances, Contracts and Resolutions:**

No ordinances were scheduled for consideration.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderwoman Mesimer made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. 8:55pm.

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk