



***City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
Regular Session  
September 8, 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, September 8, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. The City Clerk provided copies of the proposed ordinances and resolutions, for the public, prior to the meeting.

**Roll Call:** Present were: Daniel Bohn, John Higgins, Linda Jacoby, Jesse Jordan, Ruth Mesimer, Rick Scarborough and James Smith. One seat for Ward 2 is vacant.

Staff present: Public Works Director Chris Cronk, Police Chief Mark Dumolt, Fire Chief Robert Stinson, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith, Court Clerk Kathy Bolek, Assistant City Clerk Debbie Crossley and City Clerk Georgia Fox.

**Consent Agenda:** Alderwoman Jacoby made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Alderman Scarborough. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**City Attorney, Engineer, Architect, and other professional services:** City Attorney Tom Capps was present to discuss some legal issues. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to enter into closed session as authorized by RSMo 610.021, sections 1 and 2 concerning privileged communications between the City and their attorney and lease, purchase, or sale of real estate. Alderman Smith seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- nay, Higgins- nay, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. 7:35pm.

**Closed Session:** During closed session no votes were taken nor motions made.

**Open Session:** Alderman Smith made a motion to return to open session. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. 7:55pm.

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

**Mayor Comments:** The Mayor reported that representatives from U-Haul will be at the next meeting, September 21<sup>st</sup>, to discuss the property located at 8601 Pleasant Valley Road. They were unable to attend the meeting this evening.

The Mayor nominated Mary Langner for appointment to the vacant Ward 2 position on the Board of Aldermen. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the appointment. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. Since Mrs. Langner was not present for this meeting she will be sworn into office at the next meeting. She will fill Alderman Maroon's vacant seat until the next general election in April.

**Aldermen Comments:** There were no comments.

**Advisory Committees/Department Reports**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox provided the Board with the bi-monthly fire station construction status report. Alderman Higgins asked the Clerk to provide budget versus actual information regarding site improvements at the next meeting.

The City Clerk provided the Board with a draft copy of the minutes from the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting held on August 26<sup>th</sup>. An official recommendation from Planning and Zoning will be given at the next meeting.

Mrs. Fox told the Board that the administration department was looking into other credit card providers. The current bank that the city has credit cards through is very difficult to work with and uses questionable practices such as delaying the processing of a payment by ten days if an envelope other than the one provided was used, if there is more than one check per statement, etc. This causes the city to incur late fees for payments that are not really late. The Clerk will obtain more information on other providers and report back to the Board.

Mrs. Fox reported to the Board that she had contacted the bank regarding the property located at 8108 Pleasant Valley Road. They would not speak to her about the current status of the account or property. City Attorney Tom Capps suggested the city file a request with the Clay County Recorder's office to be notified in the event of a foreclosure of the property. The Board agreed. Mr. Capps will prepare the documents for filing.

**Public Works:** Director Chris Cronk discussed the current status of the MoDOT I-35 and Pleasant Valley Road interchange project. Much of the discussion was about future detours and the current configuration of the intersection.

Alderman Scarborough asked Director Cronk when Public Works would complete the house demolition at 6813 Sobbie Rd. Director Cronk replied that they would resume work on it soon. Progress was stalled due to weather conditions and other projects.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Robert Stinson reported that Fire Marshal Matt Kelly and he had attended fire inspection training last week. They take their certification test next week.

Alderman Scarborough said he felt the North Suburban Youth Football League weigh-ins, held annually at the Pleasant Valley Fire Station, were becoming too large in attendance to continue to be held at the station. The fire station has limited parking in the parking lot, no street parking nearby, is located at a busy intersection that has changed in design in the last year, and is a small building unable to hold large crowds. For all of these reasons Alderman Scarborough feels it is unsafe to continue to host the weigh-ins. The Board agreed. Alderman Scarborough asked the Chief to contact NSYFL to request that they find a more suitable venue next year.

**Police Department:** Police Chief Mark Dumolt mentioned that Communications Officer Danielle Taylor's mother, Debbie Taylor, passed away. The arrangements have not been finalized yet. Debbie Taylor was also a Trustee of the Village of Claycomo. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to send flowers for the services. Alderman Smith seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- nay, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- nay, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

**Municipal Court:** Court Clerk Kathy Bolek did not have anything to present at this time. There were no questions for Mrs. Bolek.

**Personnel Chair:** Alderman Bohn, Personnel Chair, made a motion to accept the resignation of Fire Fighter / EMT Gabe Monroy effective September 4, 2015. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to rescind the offer of employment to Volunteer Fire Fighter Michael Pierce. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to approve the annual rate adjustment of Communications Officer Audrey Chapdelaine to step 4, \$13.93 per hour, effective September 13, 2015. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

The recommendation to change supplemental insurance providers will be taken up at the 9/21 meeting.

**Finance Chair:** Alderman Higgins, Finance Committee Chair, informed the Board that there are only two signers on the sewer CD at Kearney Commercial Bank. He instructed the City Clerk to obtain signature cards to add the Board President and City Treasurer to the account per Pleasant Valley City Code 125.025.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed.

**New Business:** During new business, Alderman Higgins asked the City Clerk to research and implement a more random order for calling the voting roll. Currently, the City Clerk calls the first vote of the meeting in alphabetical order then starts with the second person in order on the second vote and so on. No one objected to the change.

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

The draft version of Council Bill 3184, amending Sections 400.110-400.150, was not ready for consideration by the Board. This bill will be taken up at a future meeting.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough made a motion to adjourn. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- aye, Jordan- aye, Ward 2- vacant, Mesimer- aye, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed. 9:10pm.

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk