



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
Regular Session
January 19, 2016*

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, January 19, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present were: Mayor David Slater, Alderman Daniel Bohn, Alderman John Higgins, Alderman Jesse Jordan, Alderwoman Mary Langner, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman James Smith. Alderwoman Linda Jacoby and Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer were not present.

Staff present: Interim Police Chief Jared McGinley, Fire Chief Robert Stinson, Court Clerk Kathy Bolek and City Clerk Georgia Fox.

Due to inclement weather, several guests were not able to attend the meeting: Boy Scout Troop 460, Jeff Pabst with Lagers, and Jennifer Baird with Lauber Municipal Law Office.

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

City Attorney, Engineer, Architect, and other professional services: Due to Jennifer Baird not being able to attend the meeting, the Board set a special session for Thursday January 21st at 7pm.

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

Mayor Comments: Mayor Slater reported that he still only had 3 candidates to recommend for appointment to the TIF Commission. Six candidates are needed. He will wait until he has all 6 to recommend.

Aldermen Comments: Alderman Scarborough reported that some community mailboxes in Pleasant Valley are not receiving their mail due to people parking in front of the boxes. The mail carrier will not deliver the mail if the box is blocked. Alderman Scarborough said he had spoken with the Police Chief who said they would issue warnings to any cars parked in front of the mailboxes. Alderman Scarborough recommended the City pass an ordinance to make this type of parking illegal. Alderman Smith also brought up a related issue of people parking in front of driveways. Alderman Smith made a motion to prepare an ordinance to prevent parking in front of mailboxes or driveways. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. During discussion, Chief McGinley suggested that we amend the existing parking codes to include this. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Scarborough also mentioned that he sat on a promotion board for captain of the fire department. He said he was very impressed with the quality of candidates and how well the fire department handled the procedures and process of filling the position.

Alderman Smith reported that he had met with Chief Stinson to discuss the purchase of a new fire truck. Alderman Smith said he was not in favor of purchasing a used truck and would rather the City choose to purchase a new one to avoid costly repairs in the future.

Alderman Smith also said that due to a great deal of support by his constituents of a single service trash provider for the City, he would like to see the issue put on the ballot for the citizens to decide. He, personally, also supports the idea of a single service trash provider. Alderman Higgins objected by saying he did not want to see the issue brought up again since it had already been discussed in the past. (*tabled 4/21/2014*)

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.

Mrs. Fox provided a draft request for proposals regarding website design services. She said she did not receive comments from the attorney until earlier today and informed the Board of what edits were made. Alderman Scarborough asked the Clerk to provide the final draft of the document to the Board at the next meeting so they would know for sure exactly what the document said before voting on it. The Clerk will provide this at the next meeting.

Mrs. Fox reported that she spoke to the surveyor working on the rezoning project. He estimates his work will be completed and the hearings held by late March.

Public Works: Director Chris Cronk was not present for the meeting. The entire Public Works Department was busy working on the streets as a result of the snow received earlier today. Alderwoman Langner asked the City Clerk if anyone had notified Public Works or KCP&L regarding the leaning light pole at the old fire station. The Clerk said she will notify Public Works to make sure they are aware.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Robert Stinson had nothing to discuss other than the purchase of a fire truck which will be addressed later in the meeting under Finance.

Police Department: Interim Police Chief Jared McGinley provided the Board with an article from the Kansas City Star regarding the broken windows theory. He used this discussion to lead into a brief presentation about the crime report and an explanation of how crime had been successfully reduced in Pleasant Valley over the last several years.

Chief McGinley also reported serious problems with the dispatching console. After Chief McGinley explained the issue, Alderman Higgins made a motion to authorize Chief McGinley to expedite the process of replacing the analog console with a new digital console. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. During discussion Alderman Scarborough asked to amend the motion to include Fire Chief Stinson in the process. Alderman Higgins seconded the amended motion. Alderman Jordan asked if this is something that needs to go out for bid or if Commenco/Motorola was the sole provider. Chief McGinley responded by saying that it is a sole source provider situation. Alderman Scarborough agreed, saying that was his understanding as well. Alderman Higgins stated that he wanted to follow whatever process was legal. Mrs. Fox responded that she would make sure it was handled in a manner consistent with legal requirements. Mayor Slater asked if there was further discussion on this matter. No one responded. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Scarborough asked about the abandoned gas station located at 6610 NE 69 Hwy. Chief McGinley responded that notice had been sent but the owner had not responded yet. Alderwoman Langner asked about the property located at 8921 NE 73rd Court. She had some

concerns with the condition of this house as well. Chief McGinley responded stating that since it is a building structure issue, she would need to ask Director Cronk.

Municipal Court: Court Clerk Kathy Bolek presented her monthly report. No one had any questions.

Personnel Chair: Alderman Bohn, Personnel Chair, made a motion to accept the resignation of Erin Wakefield, Fire Fighter / Medic effective 1/19/2016. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn made a motion to approve the annual rate adjustments for the following employees:

name	position	step	rate of pay
John Baker	Fire Fighter / EMT	7	\$ 12.54
Matt Franck	Fire Fighter / EMT	11	\$ 14.11
Stephen Winfrey	Fire Fighter / Medic	7	\$ 14.93

All effective 1/19/2016. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Bohn also provided the years of service plaque update. Alderman Higgins stated he fully supported the public acknowledgement of the service awards and hoped that the City would continue to do this in the future. Alderman Scarborough asked the Mayor if he was going to send letters recognizing these employees as well. He said that he would do so.

Mayor Slater commented that he was looking forward to meeting with the Lagers representative at the next meeting (*postponed until 2/1 due to weather*).

Alderman Scarborough asked Alderman Bohn what the status was on the Police Chief recruiting. Alderman Bohn said that one applicant had been thru the review process. Alderman Scarborough asked if Alderman Bohn had an estimated timeline of the process. Alderman Bohn responded that he did not.

Finance Chair: Alderman Higgins, Finance Committee Chair, provided the Board with a consolidated financial forecast. Alderman Higgins reviewed the financial information and discussed it in terms of how it relates to the purchase of a new fire truck. Alderman Higgins recommendation was to table the conversation of purchasing a fire truck until the Finance Committee meetings for the 16/17 budget (*begins in May*). There was also discussion of the sewer account and possibly reassessing the rates during 16/17 as well.

Chief Stinson expressed his concerns with delaying the purchase of a truck to replace the 20 year old pumper.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Consideration of Ordinances, Contracts and Resolutions, Continued:

Council bill 3191, amending section 215.060 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding junk vehicles, was read by title only. Alderman Smith made a motion to approve the bill and place it on second reading. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Council bill 3191, amending section 215.060 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding junk vehicles, was read by title only. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the bill as Ordinance 3190. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Council bill 3192, amending section 385.160 and 385.210 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding display of license plates, was read by title only. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the bill and place it on second reading. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Council bill 3192, amending section 385.160 and 385.210 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding display of license plates, was read by title only. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the bill as Ordinance 3191. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Council bill 3193, amending section 380.210 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding vehicle equipment, was read by title only. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the bill and place it on second reading. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Council bill 3193, amending section 380.210 of the Pleasant Valley City Code regarding vehicle equipment, was read by title only. Alderman Scarborough made a motion to approve the bill as Ordinance 3192. Alderman Higgins seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Bohn seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Bohn- aye, Higgins- aye, Jacoby- absent, Jordan- aye, Langner- aye, Mesimer- absent, Scarborough- aye and Smith- aye. Motion passed.. 8:50pm.

Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

Georgia Fox, City Clerk