



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
September 18, 2017*

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 18, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. The City Clerk prepared extra copies of the council bills and made them available to the public prior to the meeting.

Roll Call: Present were: Mayor David Slater, Alderman Anthony Crawford, Alderwoman Linda Jacoby, Alderman Loren Jones, Alderwoman Mary Langner, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman James Smith. Alderman Jim Menaugh was absent.

Staff present: Fire Chief Robert Stinson, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith, Public Works Director Chris Cronk, Court Administrator Sarah Everhart, Police Chief Gordon Abraham and City Clerk Georgia Fox.

Consent Agenda: Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed.

Oath of Office: The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the City's new Police Officer, Tyler Anderson.

After the oath, Alderman Smith moved to recess for 10 minutes for a reception for the new officer in the lobby. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed. 7:35pm

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to continue the meeting. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed. 7:45pm

City Attorney, Engineer, and other Professional Services: Special Counsel Joe Lauber was present to meet with the Board in closed session regarding a legal matter.

Closed Session: Alderman Scarborough moved to enter into closed session, authorized by 610.021, subsections 1 (legal), 3 (personnel), and 12 (contracts and bids). Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed. 7:50pm.

610.021. *Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law; a public governmental body is authorized to close meetings, records and votes, to the extent they relate to the following:*

(1) *Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys. However, any minutes, vote or settlement agreement relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body or any agent or entity representing its interests or acting on its behalf or with its authority, including any insurance company acting on behalf of a public government body as its insured, shall be made public upon*

final disposition of the matter voted upon or upon the signing by the parties of the settlement agreement, unless, prior to final disposition, the settlement agreement is ordered closed by a court after a written finding that the adverse impact to a plaintiff or plaintiffs to the action clearly outweighs the public policy considerations of section 610.011, however, the amount of any moneys paid by, or on behalf of, the public governmental body shall be disclosed; provided, however, in matters involving the exercise of the power of eminent domain, the vote shall be announced or become public immediately following the action on the motion to authorize institution of such a legal action. Legal work product shall be considered a closed record;

(3) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. However, any vote on a final decision, when taken by a public governmental body, to hire, fire, promote or discipline an employee of a public governmental body shall be made available with a record of how each member voted to the public within seventy-two hours of the close of the meeting where such action occurs; provided, however, that any employee so affected shall be entitled to prompt notice of such decision during the seventy-two-hour period before such decision is made available to the public. As used in this subdivision, the term "personal information" means information relating to the performance or merit of individual employees;

(12) Sealed bids and related documents, until the bids are opened; and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed, or all proposals are rejected;

During closed session, a personnel matter was voted on. *Please contact the City Clerk for information related to this vote.*

Open Session: Alderwoman Jacoby made a motion to return to open session. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed. 9:15pm

Public Comments: No one from the public wished to comment.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Slater reported to the Board that he had received an inquiry from a resident who needed transportation to and from dialysis twice per week. The City Clerk contacted several agencies and forwarded the information to the Mayor. The OATS bus does not currently serve Pleasant Valley. The Mayor asked the Board if they were interested in pursuing a contract to provide these services. A rough estimate of the cost to the City is \$250 per month. It was difficult to get a more accurate estimate since we do not know to what degree this would be utilized. OATS charges City's \$30 per hour. The Mayor asked the Clerk to forward the information to the Board so they could consider it for a while before making a decision.

Mayor Slater commented on the nice job the Fire Department did with the 911 ceremony and flag pole dedication last Saturday.

North Kansas City School District Foundation is holding a breakfast October 2nd. If anyone is interested in attending, the Mayor has the invitation with the information.

Aldermen Comments: Alderman Smith suggested that the Board chip in and donate \$10-\$20/each to purchase a paver in honor of former Alderman Wayne Maroon.

Alderman Langner provided the Board with a draft of the trash survey. Alderwoman Mesimer asked that a comment section be added to the survey. The Board agreed and instructed the Clerk to put the survey in the next civic flyer.

Advisory Committees / Department Reports:

City Clerk: City Clerk Georgia Fox reported that the auditor is tentatively scheduled to be here October 23rd – October 27th.

The City Clerk reported that she is working with Finance Chair Anthony Crawford to provide a financial report featuring the General Fund. This report will show balance changes that were a result of large purchases and expenditures. The report should be ready by the next meeting.

The City Clerk reported that a resident on Chaddy Circle has inquired about business license for a home occupation related to firearms. The City Clerk provided the Board with the current home occupation city code. After some discussion, the Board instructed the Clerk to issue the license once the applicant has met all federal, state and city requirements.

Public Works Department: Public Works Director Chris Cronk reported that the map of street lighting has been completed. After some discussion, the Board will refer the matter to the Planning Commission to make recommendations regarding future upgrades.

Director Cronk discussed the status of the storm water comprehensive plan. Once the list has been finalized, it will be posted to the City's website.

Director Cronk said he has still not been able to reach Jim's Disposal regarding setting the date for the bulky item pickup. Mayor Slater asked Director Cronk to send him the phone number and he would try to reach them.

Director Cronk also reported that he inspected 7004 N Brookside and found no code violations related to the condition of the house. However, the codes enforcement officer has sent a letter to the owner regarding the condition of the yard.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Robert Stinson presented his monthly report. Alderwoman Langner thanked Chief Stinson for adding the detail, regarding fire calls, to his report.

Chief Stinson provided the Board with a cost estimate for the floor at the new fire station. The estimate was prepared by WSKF Architects. Mayor Slater asked what line item of the budget the \$23,679 would come out of. Chief Stinson said he didn't know. Mayor Slater said that Alderman Smith cautioned the Board, a few meetings ago, against any expenditures that were not within the budget and not absolutely necessary. Mayor Slater asked Chief Stinson if there was a serious problem or if it was a matter of aesthetics. Chief Stinson said it was a matter of aesthetics. Alderman Smith said that perhaps this could be taken up in the future but for right now the City is facing some major expenses and he thinks it would be ill advised to proceed in the current fiscal year. Mayor Slater asked Finance Chair Crawford how he felt about it. Alderman Crawford said he did not think the City should pursue it at this time. Mayor Slater asked for a motion to approve proceeding with the project. There was no motion. Chief Stinson said he did not think that WSKF would be willing to help us out if we waited too long after the completion of the construction.

Police Department: Police Chief Gordon Abraham reviewed the monthly Crime Activity Report with the Board.

Chief Abraham requested permission, for both Captain McGinley and he, to attend the annual Missouri Police Chief's Conference in December. This training is in the current budget, under the POST account. Alderman Scarborough moved to approve the request. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed.

Municipal Court: Court Administrator Sarah Everhart provided the Board with the monthly court report.

Court Administrator Everhart also said that they are still working on court operating order #4 so she does not have a summary for the Board yet.

Personnel Committee: Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, had nothing further to discuss.

Finance Committee: Alderman Crawford, Finance Chair, said that he intends to meet with department heads regarding the current budget to see if there are some expenditures that can be reduced. He will report back to the Board with his findings when they are complete.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Consideration of Ordinances, Contracts and Resolutions, Continued:

The City Clerk read **Council Bill 3274**, “An Ordinance approving an Agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and The Mense CPA Firm, LLC, for Professional Services relating to the annual audits”, by title only. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the council bill and place the bill on second reading. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed.

The City Clerk read **Council Bill 3274**, “An Ordinance approving an Agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and The Mense CPA Firm, LLC, for Professional Services relating to the annual audits”, by title only. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve council bill 3266 as Ordinance 3273. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed. 9:56pm.

Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

Georgia Fox, City Clerk