



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
October 2, 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, October 2, 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, Alderman Jim Menaugh, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer and Alderman Rick Scarborough. Alderman James Smith 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 – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

**City Attorney, Engineer, and other Professional Services:** City Attorney Tom Capps was present.

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

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Slater brought to the attention of the Board recent “nuisance” type requests that the City Clerk was receiving from a resident. While the City is always happy to answer questions or provide records to anyone, it creates a strain on a department when a single citizen is making requests several times a week, for extended periods of time, preventing the employee from assisting other citizens or working on their other duties. These requests seem to be intended to cause a drain on the City Clerk rather than being genuine inquiries made to benefit the individual or the public in general. The Mayor said it is unfair for one resident to use the City’s resources excessively to the detriment of the rest of the residents and City operations. After some discussion, the Board and Mayor agreed that this individual should be sent a records request form and charged for any future inquiries per the state records request provisions.

Mayor Slater also pointed out that City Treasurer, Rob Jones, was the parade marshal at the Liberty Fall parade. Mr. Jones is also the President of Historic Downtown Liberty Inc. The Mayor said he was proud of all of Mr. Jones accomplishments.

**Aldermen Comments:** No one had anything to discuss.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox provided the Board with current employee bond coverages and recommended changes. The employee bond renewal is due January 1<sup>st</sup>. The

recommended changes would increase the premium by \$619 per year. After some discussion, the Board asked the City Clerk to obtain quotes from other companies and report back.

The City Clerk reported that she will provide the Board with a historical bank balance report, which includes capital expenditures, at the next meeting.

**Public Works Department:** Public Works Director Chris Cronk reported that the bid opening for sewer scope services was on August 28<sup>th</sup>. The City Engineer and he are currently reviewing the information and verifying references. They will make a recommendation at the October 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Robert Stinson did not have anything to report at this time. Alderman Scarborough asked Chief Stinson if the new fire truck was in service yet. Chief Stinson said that it is not yet but should be by the end of the month. They have experienced several issues related to installation of the radios. They are installed but are not programmed yet.

**Police Department:** Police Chief Gordon Abraham discussed recent crime activity with the Board. The Chief also said that if there were any questions about the Claycomo dispatching ordinance and contract on the agenda he would be happy to answer any questions. Alderman Scarborough asked how the Claycomo after-hours administrative calls would be handled. Chief Abraham said that he thinks Claycomo will still handle all of their administrative calls but he will talk with Chief Coonce for clarification.

**Municipal Court:** Court Administrator Sarah Everhart requested permission to close the court office on October 27<sup>th</sup> to attend the Western Association of Court Administrators (WACA) training. Alderman Scarborough moved to approve the closing. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

Mrs. Everhart mentioned that the court plans to implement the Show-Me Court System in the fall of 2018. She is currently researching the hardware and software requirements and will provide more information on this subject in the future.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to accept the resignation of Jason Taylor-Ohmes, Fire Fighter / Medic, effective 9/25/17. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Xavier Panimboza, Fire Fighter / EMT, to step 7, \$12.54 per hour, effective 9/24/2017. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Leslie Deichler, Communications Training Officer, to step 9, \$16.78 per hour, effective 10/8/2017. This is a two-step increase recommended due to Communications Officer Deichler taking on additional responsibilities related to evidence inventory and processing. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Richelle Scarborough, Reserve Communications Officer, to step 11, \$13.44 per hour, effective 10/8/2017. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones –

aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – abstain, Smith – absent.  
Motion passed.

**Finance Committee:** Alderman Crawford, Finance Chair, will provide the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financial report to the Board at the next meeting.

Alderman Langner gave her condolences to Alderman Crawford regarding the recent death in his family. He thanked everyone one.

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

**New Business:** Alderman Langner reported that there was discussion at the Park Board meeting regarding repairing the sidewalk in the park. It is hazardous and needs repair but they do not have enough in the Park Board budget to cover the expense. After some discussion, Alderman Scarborough moved to approve an out of budget expenditure of \$1,050 to repair the sidewalk in the park. Alderman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

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

The City Clerk read **Council Bill 3275**, “An Ordinance to commence the process of preparing a speculative tax increment financing plan to remediate blight within the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into certain agreements regarding same”, by title only. Alderman Langner moved to approve the council bill and place the bill on second reading. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – nay, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

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The City Clerk read **Council Bill 3276**, “An Ordinance approving and agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and the Village of Claycomo, Missouri, for emergency services dispatching”, by title only. Alderman Scarborough moved to approve the council bill and place the bill on second reading. Alderman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed.

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**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – absent. Motion passed. 8:05pm.

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Mayor David Slater

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk