



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
December 17, 2018*

**Call to Order:** A regular session 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, December 17, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. The City Clerk provided copies of the proposed ordinances and resolutions under consideration, for public examination, 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 not present.

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

**Consent Agenda:** Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the consent agenda. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**City Attorney and other Professional Services:** No one was present or scheduled to address the Board.

**Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Slater discussed the success of Shop with a Cop, Santa on the Fire Truck, and the Pleasant Valley Civic Organization's Christmas Baskets. He thanked everyone who helped with these events.

**Aldermen Comments:** Alderman Smith wanted to warn the public of a social security scam. He had spoken with the Social Security Administration earlier in the day. He said the people are calling and posing as representatives of the social security office. They say they want to schedule an appointment for a home visit to do a survey of physical health. The intent is to gain personal information about the intended victim, including information about the contents of their home. He suggested that whenever someone receives one of these calls that they contact the Police Chief immediately so that it can be investigated further.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox reviewed the administration report with the Board. Mrs. Fox also reported that she received an inquiry from Darren Miles about the City property located at 6813 Sobbie Road. Mrs. Fox was directed by the Board to invite Mr. Miles to the next meeting.

**Public Works Department:** Director Cronk provided a status update regarding the townhomes under construction at Stewart and Catherine.

Mayor Slater asked Director Cronk to meet the plumber at Mr. Heflin's residence to verify where a recent problem with the sewer line is located.

**Fire Department:** Chief Stinson reviewed the fire report with the Board. He also thanked volunteers that helped bagging candy. They bagged 500 this year. Pet Smart also donated stuffed animals for the candy bags this year. Mayor Slater asked Alderwoman Mesimer when the event began. She said the first one she remembers was 1968 but it possibly goes back further than that.



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**Police Department:** Chief Abraham reviewed the crime activity report with the Board. Chief Abraham reported that Target donated \$2,500 for Shop with a Cop and also applied promotional discounts to the purchases. Lamar Donuts donated 10 dozen donuts for the event. After some discussion, the City Clerk was instructed to draft a proclamation for Target to be taken up at the next meeting.

**Municipal Court:** Court Clerk Robin Martin reviewed the court report with the Board. She reported that everything is going well and thanked the Board for allowing her to go to Christmas lunch with the judge. Alderwoman Mesimer asked why the report showed that it was prepared by Sarah Everhart. Mrs. Martin explained that the report was prepared on Mrs. Everhart's computer by Mrs. Martin. Due to this, the report automatically shows Mrs. Everhart's name. The Mayor directed the City Clerk to note this in the minutes.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, moved to hire Kaylee Hamner, Communications Officer, step 5, \$15.48 per hour, pending background checks, drug screen and physical. 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Karyn Berens, Reserve Communications Officer, step 10, \$14.35 per hour, effective 12/16/2018. 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Michelle Green, Communications Officer, step 5, \$15.48 per hour, effective 12/16/2018. 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Matt Franck, Fire Fighter / EMT, step 14, \$15.42 per hour, effective 12/16/2018. 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Tyler Anderson, Police Officer, step 3, \$18.30 per hour, effective 12/16/2018. 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Finance Committee:** Alderman Crawford, Finance Chair, reported that the City's financial situation is better than anticipated. He said he is currently working with staff to find additional savings on contracts with various vendors for the FY 2019 budget year.

After some discussion, Alderman Crawford moved to move the sewer CD, which matured on 12/13/18, at Kearney Commercial Bank, to Bank Liberty, with the term of 24 months at 1.65% interest. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – nay, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 6 ayes, 1 nay and 1 absent.



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**Old Business:** Alderwoman Mesimer wanted to discuss the vote at the last meeting to remove the recycling bins effective immediately. The bins have not been removed yet. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to postpone the discontinuance of the recycling bins at City Hall until the next board takes office in April 2019. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. During discussion, Alderwoman Mesimer discussed the problems we have had with people dumping trash, not breaking down boxes, and leaving materials outside the bin when it is full. Alderwoman Langner noted problems we have had with the trash provider dumping the bins on a regular basis. Alderman Crawford said that the reason the issue was brought up at the last meeting was monetary in nature. He said it is important for the public to understand that these kinds of programs, like the recycling bins, the annual bulky item pickup, and the MARC Household Hazardous Waste disposal, all come at a cost to the City and the City cannot continue to sustain them without an increase in revenue. He continued, costs continue to rise but our income remains the same. The City has worked on cost efficiencies for years in order to continue to provide the same services without any increases (15 years since the last new tax was approved) but that, too, will only last so long. This is why the use tax on the ballot in April of 2019 is so important. Representatives of the City need to do a better job of communicating this message to the public. If we all want to continue to enjoy the same services we are accustomed to, we have to increase our revenue. While we are not in an extreme financial crisis, costs continue to rise in every category. This cannot be sustained indefinitely. The Mayor called for a vote on 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

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

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

**Council bill 3315**, “AN ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN CITY REAL PROPERTY AS PUBLIC PARK LAND TO BE KNOWN AS “VALLEY PARK”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderman Jones moved to approve the council bill and place it 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Council Bill 3315**, “AN ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN CITY REAL PROPERTY AS PUBLIC PARK LAND TO BE KNOWN AS “VALLEY PARK”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderman Jones moved to approve the council bill as **Ordinance 3314**. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Council bill 3316**, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PLEASANT VALLEY, MISSOURI, IMPOSING A USE TAX FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF THREE POINT FIVE PERCENT (3.5%) FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF STORING, USING OR CONSUMING WITHIN THE CITY ANY ARTICLE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 144.600 THROUGH 144.761 RSMO; PROVIDING FOR THE USE TAX TO BE REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED IN THE SAME AMOUNT AS ANY CITY SALES TAX IS REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED; AND PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY FOR THEIR APPROVAL AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HEREBY CALLED AND TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON TUESDAY, APRIL 2,



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2019”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderman Jones moved to approve the council bill and place it on second reading. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

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**Council bill 3317**, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY 2018 BUDGET” was postponed until the January 22, 2019 meeting.

**Council bill 3318**, “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ADDITION OF SECTION 106, ANTI-FRAUD, ABUSE, THEFT AND WASTE, TO THE PLEASANT VALLEY PERSONNEL MANUAL, REFERENCED IN SECTION 117.010, PERSONNEL CODE, OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY CITY CODE”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the council bill and place it on second reading. Alderman Crawford 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

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**Council bill 3319**, “AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 645, TOW SERVICE REGULATIONS, TO THE PLEASANT VALLEY CITY CODE”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderwoman Langner moved to approve the council bill and place it on second reading. Alderwoman Jacoby 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Council Bill 3319**, “AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 645, TOW SERVICE REGULATIONS, TO THE PLEASANT VALLEY CITY CODE”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the council bill as **Ordinance 3318**. Alderman Crawford seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye,



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Langner – aye, Menaugh – absent, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Council bill 3320**, “AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTIONS 115.190 AND 115.195, ESTABLISHING RULES AND SETTING THE HOURS FOR ALL CITY PARKS”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderwoman Langner moved to approve the council bill and place it on second reading. Alderwoman Jacoby 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 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

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**Closed Session** - Alderman Crawford moved to enter into closed session, authorized by 610.021, subsection 1) legal. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. 8:45pm.

During closed session, no votes were taken or motions made.

**Open Session** - Alderman Smith moved 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. 8:54pm

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Smith 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. 8:55pm

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk