



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
January 7, 2019*

**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, January 7, 2019 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, Alderman Jim Menaugh, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer and Alderman Rick Scarborough. Alderman James Smith 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. 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 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:** Darren Miles was present to ask the Board if they were interested in selling City property located at 6813 Sobbie Road. The Board asked Mr. Miles what he would do with the property. He said he wanted to build either duplexes, townhomes or an apartment complex, which would be on a cul-de-sac with entry from Leona, not Sobbie Road. The Board explained that they would have to either list the property for sale to the general public for a specific price or accept bids from the public on it. They asked Mr. Miles to get more detailed information about his plans for residential development and bring it to a future meeting for further discussion.

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Slater asked the Board to pass a Proclamation for Target #1455, located at 9220 NE Barry Rd, Kansas City, MO 64157, in response to their kind donations each year to the Shop with a Cop event. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the Proclamation. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. The Mayor and Police Chief will present the Proclamation to Target.

Mayor Slater asked the Board if they wanted to continue the City's membership with Clay County Economic Development. The annual dues are \$500. After some discussion, Alderman Scarborough moved to renew the membership and approve the expenditure. Alderman Crawford 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Aldermen Comments:** Alderwoman Mesimer reported that there will be a news story this evening regarding recycling centers and what happens with recycled materials. She also asked for clarification on the recycling bins vote from the last meeting. The consensus of the Board was to table the removal of the recycling bins until the second meeting in April.



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Alderwoman Langner expressed concerns regarding the leaves in ditches and along curbs. These leaves can clog up the City's storm water system. She asked that everyone make an effort to clean up the leaves on their property, particularly around ditches, sidewalks and curbs. Alderwoman Langner also asked Public Works to trim the bushes at Linda Lane and Fulton Road due to street intersection visibility issues.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox reviewed the report for Administration with the Board. In the report the City Clerk said that MPR has requested that the City (and all members) change its policy concerning the effective date for new hires health insurance. In the past, health insurance has been effective immediately. MPR would like the coverage to become effective on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month after the date of hire. The reason for the change is due to billing procedures, premiums are not paid by the City for the period from the start date to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month after the start date. They are not able to prorate a partial month. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to change the administrative policy to the effective date of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month after the date of hire. Alderman Crawford 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Also, in the Clerk's report, the City Clerk asked the Board for approval of the six month financial report for the period of July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the financial report. Alderman Crawford 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. The City Clerk will make arrangements to publish the report in the newspaper by January 31<sup>st</sup>, as required by 79.160 and 79.165 RSMo.

**Public Works Department:** Director Cronk is in the process of contacting homeowners that have property located in the 2018 Storm Water Plan project areas. The City Engineer is working on flow modules and water volume calculations in order to prepare the engineering plans to put the project out for bid. He is also working on the cost estimate to add a sidewalk to Fulton Road for the City Council's consideration.

Director Cronk said he was still waiting for bids to repair the wall, from Mr. Heese on North Elm, to bring to the Board for consideration.

Director Cronk also updated the Board on construction of the townhouses at Stewart Road and Catherine.

**Fire Department:** Chief Stinson had nothing to report at this time. Mayor Slater asked the Chief if he wanted to do a proclamation for Pet Smart since they donated toys for the bags handed out at Santa on the Fire Truck. Chief Stinson agreed. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to prepare a proclamation for Pet Smart. Alderman Crawford 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Police Department:** Chief Abraham reported that they received a mini-grant from the Missouri Department of Public Safety for DWI enforcement. During the grant period his department issued 25 citations, 15 warnings, 1 DWI arrest and 1 drug arrest.

On Wednesday they will receive 2 ballistic vests from Fox4's "Working for Blue" fundraiser.



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Chief Abraham also provided the Board with a SEMA Emergency Management Guide for Elected Officials.

**Municipal Court:** Court Clerk Robin Martin provided the Board with the monthly court report.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Jerry Clark, Reserve Communications Officer, step 9, \$13.93 per hour, effective 12/30/2018. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Doris Dodd, Reserve Communications Officer, step 9, \$13.93 per hour, effective 1/13/2019. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for John Baker, Fire Fighter / EMT, step 10, \$13.70 per hour, effective 12/30/2018. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Michael Buchanan, Reserve Police Sergeant, step 6, \$19.42 per hour, effective 1/13/2019. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Ritchie Meadors, Reserve Master Detective, step 8, \$21.52 per hour, effective 12/30/2018. 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Finance Committee:** Alderman Crawford, Finance Chair, reviewed the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financial report with the Board. He also reported that the sewer CD, scheduled for maturity, had been transferred from Kearney Commercial Bank to Bank Liberty, as discussed at the last meeting.

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

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

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

**Council bill 3321**, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOURLY COMPENSATION STEP PLAN FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF PLEASANT VALLEY”, 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. During discussion, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith explained that the bill was necessary to make the step plan consistent with changes to the Missouri Minimum Wage laws. The minimum wage will increase by 85 cents each year, on January 1<sup>st</sup>, until it reaches \$12/hour in 2023. He asked the Board if they wanted to change the step plan each year or do it all at once. The general consensus of the Board was to make the change each year. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones –



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

**Council Bill 3321**, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOURLY COMPENSATION STEP PLAN FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF PLEASANT VALLEY”, was read by the City Clerk by title only. Alderman Jones moved to approve the council bill as **Ordinance 3320**. Alderwoman 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. Alderman Crawford 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 7 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent. 8:25pm

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk