



*City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
March 4, 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, March 4, 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, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman James Smith.

Staff present: Police Chief Gordon Abraham, Public Works Director Chris Cronk, City Clerk Georgia Fox, Fire Fighter Erin Larson, Acting Court Administrator Robin Martin, Police Officer Cameron McDonald, Police Captain Jared McGinley, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith, Fire Chief Robert Stinson and other fire staff.

**Consent Agenda:** Alderwoman Langner moved to approve the consent agenda. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Kane-Wheeler Fire Fighter of the Year Award-** Chief Stinson presented the Kane-Wheeler Fire Fighter of the Year Award to Erin Larson.

Alderwoman Langner moved to break for 10 minutes for a reception in the lobby. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. 7:42pm

Alderwoman Langner moved to return to session. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. 7:52pm

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

**City Attorney and other Professional Services:** No professional service providers were scheduled to meet with the Board.

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Slater nominated John Higgins and John Mackie for re-appointment to the TIF Commission. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the appointments. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Aldermen Comments:** Alderman Smith commended the Public Works Department for the great job they have done keeping the streets safe during the many snow storms we have had this year. It was also noted that there are only 2 Public Works employees right now so keeping up with everything was particularly impressive.

Alderwoman Langner reported that she met with City Clerk Georgia Fox and Assistant City Clerk Debbie Crossley to plan for recruiting volunteers and making plans for the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee. Alderwoman Langner also reported that the Park Board discussed keeping street



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easements clear of trash and the “adopt a road” program. She also said that Day in the Park is May 4<sup>th</sup> this year.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Georgia Fox provided the Board with the Administration Report.

**Public Works Department:** Director Cronk reported that he received his salt and sand order. He now has enough for 2-3 more storms.

Alderman Crawford asked Director Cronk if he had a list of snow routes for the City. Director Cronk said no, there is no official list. There are some streets that are posted as snow routes. This discussion was postponed until the Police Chief’s report.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Robert Stinson did not have anything to report.

Alderman Crawford asked Chief Stinson if he had checked with the software vendor to get more details about the software integration. Chief Stinson said he had and that he was also meeting with the Police Chief, to discuss the integration of software further, this Wednesday at 9am.

Mayor Slater asked Chief Stinson to follow up with him later regarding the completion of years of service letters and delivering the Pet Smart proclamation.

**Police Department:** Chief Abraham said that several years ago some Clay County cities got together and formed the Northland Officer Involved Shooting Investigation Team as a preemptive measure to have a specially trained squad to do these types of investigations. Clay County has asked that other cities consider taking steps to be prepared for possibly needing this service. The ordinance on the agenda for an agreement with the Johnson County Kansas Sheriff’s Department Crime Lab is related to this request. In the event that the Kansas City Missouri Crime Lab is too busy to process evidence in a timely manner, the Johnson County Crime Lab can be used. Chief Abraham asked that the Board approve joining the officer involved shooting MOU. There is no cost to join. Any agency using this service would just be required to pay their own expenses related to the investigation. Alderman Scarborough moved to approve the request. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Snow routes were discussed. After some discussion, Alderman Scarborough moved to make all streets designated snow routes so that no parking is allowed during a snow event so that the roads can be completely cleared by the plows. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – nay, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – nay. Motion passed 6 ayes, 2 nays.

**Municipal Court:** Court Clerk Robin Martin provided the February Court Report to the Board.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, moved to adjust the volunteer per call pay for Shawn Hund and Samuel Sosa from \$10 per call to \$15 per call, effective 3/1/2019. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Erin Larson, Fire Fighter / Paramedic, to step 6, \$14.49 per hour, effective 3/10/2019. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the



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motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Menaugh – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve a change in terms of the employee life insurance policy from a 50% reduction at 65 to a 50% reduction (from \$50,000 to \$25,000) in benefits at age 70. The cost of this change is \$96 per year. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Finance Committee:** Alderman Crawford, Finance Chair, reported that the Personnel Committee will present their recommendations for municipal insurance at the next meeting, March 18th.

**Old Business:** Mayor Slater asked the Board what they wanted to do about the upcoming use tax election. After some discussion, it was decided that the use tax flyer would be put in the Pleasant Valley Civic Organization flyer in April. During discussion, the Board also agreed that the flyer would be reviewed again at the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, before it is finalized and distributed.

Alderwoman Mesimer asked Director Cronk if KCP&L had gotten back to him about the street lights for Valley Park. Director Cronk said they had not but he would follow up with them and report back at the next meeting.

**New Business:** Mayor Slater said that he would like to hold a meeting with the department heads on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 8am. No one had any scheduling conflicts.

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

**Council bill 3326**, “An Ordinance appointing and establishing the salary of the City Clerk / TIF Manager of the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri” was read by title only by the City Clerk. Alderman Jones moved to approve the bill’s first reading and place the bill on second reading. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Council bill 3326**, “An Ordinance appointing and establishing the salary of the City Clerk / TIF Manager of the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri” was read by title only by the City Clerk. Alderman Jones moved to approve Council Bill 3326 as Ordinance 3325. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Council bill 3327**, “An Ordinance approving an agreement by and between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and the Johnson County Kansas Sheriff, for professional services relating to criminalist laboratory services” was read by title only by the City Clerk. Alderman Jones moved to approve the bill’s first reading and place the bill on second reading. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

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**Resolution 2019-0304-01**, “A Resolution approving the withdrawal from Midwest Public Risk membership and authorizing the Mayor to execute documents in accordance with Midwest Public Risk Bylaws” was read by title only by the City Clerk. Alderman Jones moved to approve the resolution. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. 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 – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. 8:52pm

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk