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 Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present were: Mayor David Slater, Alderman Anthony Crawford, Alderwoman Linda Jacoby, Alderman Loren Jones, Alderwoman Mary Langner, Alderwoman Robin Martin, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman James Smith. Absent was: None.

Staff present: Police Chief Gordon Abraham, Court Administrator Sarah Everhart, City Clerk Georgia Fox, Police Captain Jared McGinley and Fire Chief Robert Stinson (until 8:15pm).

Public present: New Police Officer Levi Riley and family.

Oath of Office: Chief Abraham introduced new Police Officer Levi Riley. The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Levi Riley.

Reception in Lobby: Alderman Smith moved to take a ten minute break. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. 7:35pm

Alderwoman Langner moved to call the meeting back in session. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. 7:43pm

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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Public Comments: No one wished to address the Board.

City Attorney and other Professional Service Providers: No one was scheduled to address the Board.

Mayor’s Comments: Mayor Slater suggested that the six aldermen that voted at the last meeting to remove the Clay County Economic Development Council annual invoice from the consent agenda so that it could be discussed each year should consider attending the CCEDC meetings. Mayor Slater said he did not think it was appropriate that he report to the Board what CCEDC has done for the City each year but rather that the Board get firsthand experience at what the CCEDC is doing to promote businesses and development in Clay County. He suggested that a different alderman each week attend the Northland Coffee Connect. Northland Coffee Connect is a weekly educational program designed to engage, educate, and accelerate communities of entrepreneurs and small business owners. The Mayor said it is a great opportunity to network and he would like to see the Board pick out some Pleasant Valley businesses that can be featured at these meetings.
Aldermen Comments: No one had anything to report.

Advisory Committees / Department Reports:

City Clerk: City Clerk Georgia Fox reviewed the Administration Report with the Board. The Board discussed the problems administration is experiencing with the old accounting software (pre-2007 software). After some discussion, Alderman Crawford moved to bring the purchase of Incode software from Tyler Technologies back in ordinance form. Alderman Smith seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Public Works Department: Public Works Director Chris Cronk was not present. No public works issues were discussed.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Robert Stinson provided the monthly Fire Report to the Board. Chief Stinson reported that M-43, the backup ambulance, needs $2300 in repairs. This will put the budgeted line item over by $900. Alderman Crawford asked the Chief to see if this can be absorbed into the department’s budget. This will be reviewed after the third quarter when other amendments to the budget will be made. Alderman Loren moved to approve the repair of the ambulance. Alderman Crawford seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Police Department: Police Chief Gordon Abraham reviewed the Crime Activity Report with the Board. Chief Abraham also requested approval to preorder the F-150 police vehicle in the 20/21 budget. This would not be paid for until after July 1st. Ford requires several months advance in their orders. Customarily it is decided in January of each year, for the July delivery. Alderman Scarborough moved to approve ordering the F-150, in the amount of $35,548, to be paid for after July 1st. Alderman Crawford seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Municipal Court: Court Administrator Sarah Everhart provided the monthly Court Report to the Board. She also mentioned that the fine schedule will be changing and probably be posted later this month. Mayor Slater said that CA Everhart has been helping him a lot regarding information on FTA’s so he can testify in Jefferson City on the matter.

Personnel Committee: Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, had nothing to report at this time.

Finance Committee: Alderman Anthony Crawford, Finance Chair, reviewed the 2nd quarter financial report with the Board. Alderman Crawford also reported that the Sewer Fund CD at Bank Midwest is due to mature January 21st. Due to some miscommunications, we are uncertain of the exact rate if it is allowed to rollover at Bank Midwest. Central Bank of the Midwest (formerly Bank Liberty) offered a rate of 1.15% for 24 months. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to authorize the Finance Chair and Mayor to determine the best rate and take appropriate action. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.
Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions: No council bills were scheduled for consideration by the Board.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Alderwoman Langner moved to adjourn. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 8:36pm.

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Mayor David Slater

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk