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 2, 2020 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 Robin Martin, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman James Smith.

Absent was: none.

Others Present:
Staff present: Police Chief Gordon Abraham, Public Works Director Chris Cronk, City Clerk Georgia Fox, Assistant Fire Chief Michelle Shearer, Human Resource Manager Steve Smith, Fire Chief Robert Stinson and Fire Captain Scott Winfrey.

Public present: Tom Moss and Dixie Lee Hermanson

Oath of Office: The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Assistant Fire Chief Michelle Shearer. Afterwards Alderman Smith moved to take a 10 minute break for a brief reception in the lobby. 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. 7:35pm

Alderman Smith moved to return to 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. 7:45pm

Consent Agenda: Alderman Smith moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Public Comments: Dixie Hermanson, River Road, was present to discuss her concerns about a dog running at large and exhibiting aggressive behavior. Chief Abraham asked if she had contacted the police and she said she had not. He suggested she contact the police tomorrow so they could look into the matter.

City Attorney and other Professional Service Providers: No one was scheduled to appear.

Mayor’s Comments: Mayor Slater said that the CCEDC State of the Cities went well and thanked those that attended.

Mayor Slater also mentioned that there will be a vacancy on the Park Board in May. Teresa Reed is stepping down. He suggested the vacancy be filled by Devon Bruynell. He will talk to them to see if Devon is interested.

Mayor Slater reported that he will go again to Jefferson City tomorrow regarding bills of municipal concern. This will be his 6th trip to Jefferson City during this legislative session.

Aldermen Comments: Alderwoman Langner reminded everyone that the Stream Clean is April 25th and Day in the Park is May 2nd. She also discussed the importance of the 2020 Census.

Advisory Committees / Department Reports:
City Clerk: City Clerk Georgia Fox provided the Board with an Administration Report. The City Clerk requested approval of a quote from MDL Technologies to make the necessary upgrades to the
server to allow the new Incode software to work properly. The quote from MDL is $4,582.81. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the expenditure. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

The City Clerk also provided the Board with the Street Light Improvement Plan history. The next step would be to approve drafting an ordinance to accept the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Since the Board did not receive the information until that day, Alderman Scarborough moved to table the matter until the next meeting. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye, Jones – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – nay, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 nay.

HR Manager Smith requested approval of the Board for the Mayor to sign the “Loss Control Program City’s Safety Statement” for MIRMA. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the statement and authorize the Mayor to sign it. 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.

Public Works Department: Director Cronk reported that City Engineer Ron Cowger will be at the next meeting on March 16th. Mayor Slater asked if he would have the quote to add sidewalks, curbs and gutter to Fulton Road. Director Cronk said he would contact Mr. Cowger.

Fire Department: Chief Stinson and Assistant Chief Shearer discussed CDC recommendations regarding the coronavirus (COVID 19). Chief Stinson also reported that he met with Chief Abraham to discuss plans for handling emergency services in light of the new circumstances. Mayor Slater asked that Police and Fire address the issue in the flyer. Chief Stinson said that his department would take care of it.

Alderman Crawford asked Chief Stinson if he had received the corrected Westfall GMC invoice for the repairs to ambulance M-44. Chief Stinson said he had not received it but would call them again tomorrow.

Police Department: Chief Abraham reviewed the details of the purchase of the body cameras with the Board (ordinance is later in the meeting). This purchase was partially funded through a grant from MIRMA.

Chief Abraham requested approval to apply for the Missouri Highway Safety Grant. The grant will pay for overtime and equipment. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the request. 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.

Chief Abraham also reported that the agreement with the Village of Oakview for dispatching services is due to be renewed. He said he would move forward with getting the agreement together if the Board had no objections. No one objected.

Personnel Committee: Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, moved to terminate Jerry Clark, Reserve Communications Officer, effective 3/2/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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. Mr. Clark will be eligible for reemployment.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to terminate Andrew Craig, Volunteer Fire Fighter, effective 3/2/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Crawford – aye, Jacoby – aye,
Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Craig Farley, Captain Fire Fighter / Paramedic, to step 11, $16.80 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the hire of Peggy Doss, Part Time Court Clerk, 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the hire of Shane Jansen, Fire Fighter / Paramedic, 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the hire of Nathan Overman, Fire Fighter / EMT, 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the hire of Kolton Roschevitz, Fire Fighter / EMT, 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the promotion of Scott Winfrey, Captain Fire Fighter / Paramedic to Fire Marshal, step 8, $16.60 per hour, effective 3/8/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Karyn Berens, Reserve Communications Officer, to step 11, $14.78 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Amanda Neild, Reserve Communications Officer, to step 10, $14.35 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for John Baker, Fire Fighter / EMT, to step 11, $14.11 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Craig Farley, Captain Fire Fighter / Paramedic, to step 9, $16.47 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for James Heck, Fire Fighter / Paramedic, to step 7, $14.93 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Phil Hudson, Captain Fire Fighter / EMT, to step 6, $14.49 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer 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.

Alderman Jacoby moved to approve the annual rate adjustment for Stephen Winfrey, Fire Fighter / Paramedic, to step 11, $16.80 per hour, effective 2/23/2020. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded
meeting. 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.

Finance Committee: Alderman Anthony Crawford, Finance Chair, said that he would have the budget preparation schedule ready at the next meeting.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:
Council Bill 3370, “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. Alderwoman Mesimer 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Council Bill 3370, “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. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the council bill as Ordinance 3369. 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.

Council Bill 3371, “An Ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and Watch Guard Video, for body cameras and related equipment” was read by title only by the City Clerk. 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, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Scarborough – aye, Smith – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Council Bill 3371, “An Ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and Watch Guard Video, for body cameras and related equipment”, was read by title only by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the council bill as Ordinance 3370. 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.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Alderwoman Jacoby 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. Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm.

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Mayor David Slater

ATTEST:

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk