



***City of Pleasant Valley Missouri
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
February 5, 2024***

Call to Order: A regular session meeting of the Pleasant Valley Board of Aldermen was called to order at City Hall, 6500 Royal Street, Pleasant Valley, Missouri, by Mayor James Smith, on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Copies of the agenda, minutes, and council bills to be considered were available in the lobby for public inspection prior to the meeting.

Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Patrick Gallagher, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderwoman Linda Jacoby, Alderman James Page Alderman Tom Moss, Alderwoman Mary Langner, and.

Absent: Alderman Rick Scarborough, Alderwoman Serenity Ohlsen

Staff Present:

Staff Present: City Clerk Matthew Chapman, Fire Chief Pete Knudsen, Police Chief Jared McGinley, Firefighter/EMT Jennifer Gallagher, Assistant Public Works Director Corey Butts

Public Present: City Attorney Tom Capps

Consent Agenda: Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the amended consent agenda. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer – aye, Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page - aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – absent, Motion passed 6 ayes, 2 absent

Alderwoman Ohlsen joined the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Public comments and guests: Bruce Glenn and Joe Michael of Infinitas Coordinated Wealth Counsel addressed the Board of Aldermen about coming in alongside our current 457 plan provider, VOYA, to serve as an advisor. They feel confident that their addition would lead to improved costs and returns for participants. Alderman Page asked if Infinitas could provide references and Mr. Michael said he would provide them to the city clerk for distribution to the Board of Aldermen.

City Attorney and other professional services: None

Mayor's comments: Mayor Smith read a proclamation and presented the framed certificate to the family of Nolan King, the last founding member of the Pleasant Valley Fire Department, who recently passed away. The Fire Department will be holding a memorial service for Mr. King at the fire station on Saturday, March 23rd.

Aldermen Comments: None

Advisory Committees / Department Reports:

City Clerk: City Clerk, Matthew Chapman, provided a written administration report to the Board of Aldermen.

Public Works Department: Public Works Director Chris Cronk was ill and absent from the meeting.



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Fire Department: Fire Chief Pete Knudsen stated the next water bill should include a note about the public alert system. Alderman Page asked if there had been any usage of the public alert system yet. Chief Knudsen said a warning message had gone out about the winter storm.

Police Department: Police Chief McGinley Stated that body cameras and tasers are up and running. Officer Taylor will be coming in and certifying all officers on the use of the tasers. The Police Department would like to purchase at least one vehicle in 2024. Pleasant Valley has been ordering Ford vehicles since 2009. But we have an opportunity to purchase a Dodge Durango that would be available now and for less money than a Ford vehicle. Chief McGinley will check on the warranty coverage offered by Dodge.

Municipal Court: Court Administrator Sarah Everhart stated that the court was in the middle of the amnesty period to clear up warrants and 50 people had taken advantage.

Personnel Committee:

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the promotion for Parker Graves (Completed Medic School) from FF/EMT Pay Grade 100/Step 2 \$15.59 per hour to Pay Grade 110/Step 1 \$17.50 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for FF/EMT Jason King from Pay Grade 100/Step 3 \$15.90 per hour to Pay Grade 100/Step 4 \$16.22 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Single Role Medic Philip Viscon from Pay Grade 108/Step 1 \$17.00 per hour to Pay Grade 108/Step 2 \$17.34 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for FF/Medic Jade Riegel from Pay Grade 110/Step 1 \$17.50 per hour to Pay Grade 110/Step 2 \$17.85 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for FF/Medic Kevin Davis from Pay Grade 110/Step 3 \$17.85 per hour to Pay Grade 110/Step 4 \$18.20 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.



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Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of Edward Truitt as FF/EMT at Pay Grade 100/Step 1 \$15.28 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of John Paul Ridder as Volunteer, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of Zachary Meerdink as FF/EMT at Pay Grade 100/Step 1 \$15.28 per hour, effective 2/5/2024. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Finance Committee:

The Board of Aldermen agreed to hold a Budget Work Session on Friday, February 23rd at 1:30 PM to discuss the 2024 Pleasant Valley Budget.

Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Mayor Smith directed Clerk Chapman to read **Council Bill 3539** “An Ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and the Village of Oakview, Missouri, for the provision of dispatching services. Alderman Page moved to approve the bill on first reading and move the bill to second reading. Alderwoman Ohlsen seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer – aye, Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Mayor Smith directed Clerk Chapman to read **Council Bill 3539** “An Ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and the Village of Oakview, Missouri, for the provision of dispatching services” was read by title only, by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the bill as **Ordinance 3538**. Alderwoman Ohlsen seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer – aye, Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

After discussion from the Board of Aldermen about costs and commitment required to hire a temporary employment firm to fill the Assistant City Clerk position, Mayor Smith directed Clerk Chapman to read **Council Bill 3540** “An Ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and the Stivers Staffing Agency, for the temporary hiring of the Assistant City Clerk position. Alderman Page moved to approve the bill on first reading and move the bill to second reading. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – no, Mesimer – aye, Jacoby – no, Scarborough – absent, Page – no Moss – no, Langner – no, and Ohlsen – no, Motion failed 7 nays, 1 absent.



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No motion was made to consider Council Bill 3541.

After discussion by the Board of Aldermen, Alderwoman Mesimer made a motion to table Council Bill 3542 and Council Bill 3543. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer – aye, Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Alderwoman Mesimer moved to adjourn. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gallagher – aye, Mesimer - aye, Jacoby – aye, Scarborough – absent, Page – aye, Moss – aye, Langner – aye, and Ohlsen – aye, Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 absent.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Mayor James Smith

ATTEST: _____
Matthew Chapman, City Clerk