



***City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
March 1, 2024***

**Call to Order:** A Special meeting of the Pleasant Valley Board of Aldermen was called to order at City Hall, 6500 Royal Street, Pleasant Valley, Missouri, by Mayor Pro Tem Rick Scarborough, on Friday, March 1, 2024, at 1:35 p.m. Copies of the agenda were available in the lobby for public inspection prior to the meeting.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Alderwoman Linda Jacoby, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Tom Moss, Alderman Patrick Gallagher, Alderman Rick Scarborough, Alderman James Page, and Alderwoman Mary Langner, and Alderwoman Serenity Ohlsen

**Absent:** Mayor James Smith

**Staff Present:** City Clerk Matthew Chapman, Firefighter/EMT Jen Gallagher

**Public Present:** City Attorney Tom Capps

**Aldermen Comments:** Since 2023 actual revenues were less than budgeted, the Board of Aldermen directed the City Clerk to lower several revenue categories in the 2024 Budget. Personal Property Tax revenues exceeded budget for 2023. But after discussion it was decided to leave this line at \$69,000 for 2024. Budgeted Sales Tax revenue for 2024 was adjusted down to \$894,000. The City Clerk will continue to investigate the decrease in Sales and Use Tax revenues.

Senate Bill 5 has resulted in lower court costs and fines. Both revenue categories were decreased for 2024. The city was required to adopt Office 365, which has resulted in increased IT costs. The Board of Aldermen encouraged staff to surplus and dispose of any old copiers or other equipment that are no longer being used.

Alderwoman Mesimer suggested the reduction of 3 full-time officer positions in the Police Department. This would reduce expenses by approximately \$160,000. Alderman Gallagher stated that if the Police Department had qualified officers to fill these open positions, he wanted to be certain they could hire, despite the positions being removed from the 2024 Budget.

Alderman Page stated that with no new police vehicle this year the city would have to have a new police vehicle next year. Alderman Moss stated that he would like to get a new police vehicle now.

Alderwoman Mesimer asked to have the 2024 Capital Purchases Schedule included in the Board of Aldermen packet for the March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman moved to adjourn. Alderman Scarborough Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Gallagher – aye, Ohlsen – aye, Scarborough – aye, Page – aye and Langner - aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.



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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Matthew Chapman, City Clerk