



**City of Pleasant Valley Missouri**  
**Meeting of the Board of Aldermen**  
**August 7, 2023**

**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, August 7, 2023, 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:** Mayor James Smith, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Tom Moss, Alderman Rick Scarborough, Alderman James Page, and Alderman Patrick Gallagher, Alderwoman Mary Langner, Alderwoman Serenity Ohlsen and Alderwoman Linda Jacoby

**Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

**Staff Present:** City Clerk Matthew Chapman, Public Works Director Chris Cronk, Fire Chief Pete Knudsen, Police Chief Jared McGinley, Court Administrator Sarah Everhart, Captain Andrew Cramer, Officer Mark Taylor, Officer Landon Garrison, Richelle Scarborough

**Public Present:** Nick Kenny

**Consent Agenda:** Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Scarborough seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Page – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Gallagher – aye, Langner – aye, Ohlsen – aye, and Jacoby - aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderman Scarborough made a motion to pause the meeting to hold a pinning ceremony to recognize the promotion of Andrew Cramer to Police Captain and a brief reception. Alderman Page seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Page – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Gallagher – aye, Langner – aye, Ohlsen – aye, and Jacoby - aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Police Chief Jared McGinley listed Captain Cramer’s accomplishments and presented him with his Captain Pin. A brief reception followed.

Alderwoman Jacoby made a motion to bring the meeting back into session. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Page – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Gallagher – aye, Langner – aye, Ohlsen – aye, and Jacoby - aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Public comments and guests:** None

**City Attorney and other professional services:** Nick Kenny, Senior Managing Consultant with PFM Asset Management, spoke to the Board of Aldermen about the Missouri Securities Investment Program (MOSIP). MOSIP was founded in 1991 and provides an option for investing city funds that is safe, liquid and allowed under Missouri State Statutes. MOSIP has 250 participants and manages over \$4 billion in assets. MOSIP offers a liquid series that is similar to a Money Market Account and a term series that operates like a Certificate of Deposit Account. MOSIP would not replace our local bank but would work with them. MOSIP accounts are not FDIC-insured, but all funds are approved by Missouri State Statutes. Alderman Page asked if there was a standard fees schedule. Mr. Kenny stated there would be no fee to the city. Mr. Kenny used an example of MOSIP investing funds at a 5.4% return and the city receiving a 5.26% return with PFM receiving the difference.



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**Mayor's comments:** None.

**Aldermen Comments:** None.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Matthew Chapman provided a written administration report with the Board.

**Public Works Department:** Public Works Director Chris Cronk provided a written Public Works Report and stated that a representative from Purple Wave has been assigned to the city and will be on-site this week to take pictures of the surplus vehicles and get them listed on their site for sale. Director Cronk stated that the city is still waiting on easements for the Kaill Road project.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Pete Knudsen provided cost information for the Everbridge Public Alert System as well as a quote for the first three years of service. Alderwoman Mesimer noted that the quote was expired, and a new quote would need to be obtained. Chief Knudsen stated that he would get a current quote.

Alderman Scarborough made a motion for Pleasant Valley to solicit a new bid for the Emergency Alert System through Everbridge and bring that forward with an ordinance for the next BOA meeting. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Page – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Gallagher – aye, Langner – aye, Ohlsen – aye, and Jacoby - no. Motion passed 7 ayes, 1 nay.

**Police Department:** Police Chief Jared McGinley provided a chart of the current vehicles that included year, mileage and use of vehicle as requested by Alderwoman Mesimer, Finance Chair. There will be a narrow window to order a police vehicle through the state purchasing process most likely in October with delivery and payment due in 2024; funds budgeted in Capital Purchases account. The cost of the new vehicle will be around \$40,000, but most of our existing equipment will transfer to the new vehicle. Chief McGinley stated that a new vehicle would replace Vehicle #703 which is most in need of replacement.

**Municipal Court:** Court Administrator Sarah Everhart provided a written municipal court report for Board of Alderman review and stated that she would no longer be providing Court Incode reports as all information has been transferred to Show Me Courts.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of Alex Cole, FF/EMT, at Pay Grade 100/step 1, \$15.28 per hour, effective 8/07/23. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of Shawn Hund, FF/EMT, at Pay Grade 100/step 1, \$15.28 per hour, effective 8/07/23. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.



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Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the hiring of Dylan Allen, Volunteer, effective 8/07/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Kyle Kennedy, FF/Medic from Pay Grade 110/Step 2 to Pay Grade 110/Step 3 \$18.20 per hour, effective 7/24/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Parker Graves, FF/EMT from Pay Grade 100/Step 1 to Pay Grade 100/Step 2 \$15.59 per hour, effective 7/24/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to accept the resignation of Keenan Gray, FF/EMT, effective 7/24/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to recommend the hiring of Dylan Cole, Police Officer, POST CERTIFIED at Pay Grade 130/step 4, \$24.34 per hour. Pending successful background check, psychological evaluation, physical and drug screen. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to recommend the hiring of Johnny House, Police Officer, POST CERTIFIED at Pay Grade 130/step 4, \$24.34 per hour. Pending successful background check, psychological evaluation, physical and drug screen. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Brent Blackburn, Communications Officer from Pay Grade 115/Step 1 to Pay Grade 115/Step 2 \$19.10 per hour, effective 8/6/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Carolyn Hidy, Communications Officer from Pay Grade 115/Step 1 to Pay Grade 115/Step 2 \$19.10 per hour, effective 8/6/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.



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Alderswoman Jacoby, Personnel Committee Chair, moved to approve the annual step increase for Christina Hays, Communications Officer from Pay Grade 115/Step 1 to Pay Grade 115/Step 2 \$19.10 per hour, effective 8/6/23. Alderswoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Langner – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Mesimer – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays.

**Finance Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None.

**Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:**

None

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye, Gallagher – aye, Page – aye, Langner – aye and Ohlsen – aye. Motion passed 8 ayes, 0 nays, 7:15 pm.

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Mayor James Smith

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