



**City of Pleasant Valley Missouri  
Meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
September 19, 2022**

**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 David Slater, on Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 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 David Slater, Alderwoman Linda Jacoby, Alderwoman Mary Langner, Alderwoman Robin Martin, Alderwoman Ruth Mesimer, Alderman Tom Moss, Alderman Rick Scarborough and Alderman Garrett Williams (*arrived 6:15*).

**Absent:** There is one ward vacancy in Ward 3.

**Others Present for Open Session:**

**Staff Present:** Police Chief Gordon Abraham, Assistant City Clerk Deborah Crossley, City Clerk Georgia Fox, Fire Chief Peter Knudsen, Police Captain Jared McGinley and Police Officer Mark Taylor. Public Works Director Chris Cronk joined the meeting by phone.

**Public Present:** Dustin Draper, Megan Diniz, and Caron Mansfield.

**City Attorney and other professional services:** At the request of Mayor Slater, Special Counsel Rich Wood, with Lauber Municipal Law, was present to meet with the Board in closed session regarding legal matters.

**Closed Session:** Alderwoman Jacoby moved to enter into closed session, authorized by 610.021 RSMo., subsections 1 and 3, legal and personnel matters. Alderwoman Langner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – absent. Motion passed 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, 1 vacant. Staff present was City Clerk Georgia Fox. 6:03pm.

During closed session, no votes were taken nor motions made.

Alderwoman Mesimer moved to return to open session. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant. 6:28pm. Mr. Wood was excused.

**Consent Agenda:** Alderwoman Jacoby moved to remove the minutes from the consent agenda and approve the remaining consent agenda. Alderwoman Martin seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

**Public Comments:** Dustin Draper, 7009 Fulton Road, was present to address the Board. Mr. Draper expressed displeasure over receiving a code violation warning regarding the weeds in his ditch. He felt the current storm water project has made it so he cannot properly mow this area. Megan Diniz, 7005 Fulton Road, was also present to address the Board. She expressed the same concerns.

Caron Mansfield, 8211 Pence Road, chose not to address the Board.

**Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Slater thanked the Fire Department for the 911 ceremony. The US flag that was flown over the 911 memorial for the first year was given to the Mayor to put in an appropriate case and to display at City Hall.

Mayor Slater reported that he had received an application from Mary Stamberger, 6808 N Elm, to volunteer for the Tax Increment Financing Commission. Alderman Scarborough moved to



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approve the appointment. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

**Aldermen Comments:** Alderwoman Langner moved to appoint Kathy Eremo, 6904 N Chas Drive, to fill the vacancy on the Park Board. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

**Advisory Committees / Department Reports:**

**City Clerk:** City Clerk Fox reviewed the following Administration Report with the Board:

- **Council Bill 3474, amending the agreement for the cell tower lease** – This will give Crown Castle/T-Mobile another 39 square feet for a generator for the tower. In exchange they will pay us another \$100 per month. Currently we receive \$1,604.71 per month for the other 383 square feet of space. Director Cronk has reviewed their plans and recommends approval of the change.
- **Council Bill 3475, agreement with Joe Machens Ford** – This ordinance keeps the city in compliance with the purchasing city code and adds the additional protection of the state's purchasing agreement.
- **Planning and Zoning Commission** – The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a hearing for applicants Pride Fitness and Star Development on **Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**. The Commission will make a recommendation to the Board at the regular session meeting of the BOA on **October 17<sup>th</sup>**.
- **2022 Tax Levy** – I have attached to this report the notice for the 2022 tax levy hearing. The meeting is scheduled for 9/22/2022 at 6pm.
- **Capital Purchases and 2023 budget** – I will be sending the department heads the budget worksheets and capital purchases schedules this weekend. They will be due back to me by October 10<sup>th</sup>. We should have a draft budget for the board to review at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Public Works Department:** Director Cronk provided an update on the storm water project. He said that the contractor was experiencing difficulty in getting concrete for the project. This delay will not cost the city additional money.

**Fire Department:** Chief Knudsen reviewed the Fire Report with the Board. The department ran a total of 66 calls, 2 of which were fire calls. The fire calls were one mutual aid to Claycomo for a grass fire and the other was a vehicle fire on the highway at the Pleasant Valley Road exit.

**Police Department:** Chief Abraham reviewed the Crime Activity Report with the Board.

**Personnel Committee:** Alderwoman Jacoby, Personnel Chair, moved to approve the hire of Jonathan Reed, Fire Fighter/Medic, step 1, \$17.50 per hour, pending background check, drug screen and physical. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the hire of Aiden McGinnis and Ian McGinnis, Volunteer Fire Fighters, at \$10 per call, pending background check, drug screen and physical. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye,



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Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

**Finance Committee:** Alderwoman Mesimer, Finance Chair, moved to renew the sewer CD, which matured on 9/13/22, at Central Bank of the Midwest, for a 12-month term at 3.0% interest.

Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed.

**New Business:** No new business was discussed.

**Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:**

Mayor Slater directed the City Clerk to read **Council Bill 3471**. “An Ordinance approving the revision of the City of Pleasant Valley Personnel Manual” was read by title only, by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the bill on first reading and move the bill to second reading. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – nay and Williams – aye. Motion passed 6 ayes, 1 nay, 1 vacant.

Mayor Slater directed the City Clerk to read **Council Bill 3471**. “An Ordinance approving the revision of the City of Pleasant Valley Personnel Manual” was read by title only, by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Mesimer moved to approve the bill as **Ordinance 3470**. Alderwoman Jacoby seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – nay and Williams – aye. Motion passed 6 ayes, 1 nay, 1 vacant.

Mayor Slater directed the City Clerk to read **Council Bill 3474**. “An Ordinance approving the first amendment to the site lease by and between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and T-Mobile USA Tower LLC, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the documents on behalf of the City” was read by title only, by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the bill on first reading and move the bill to second reading. Alderwoman Mesimer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant.

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Mayor Slater directed the City Clerk to read **Council Bill 3475**. “An Ordinance approving and agreement between the City of Pleasant Valley, Missouri, and Joe Machens Ford Lincoln, for the purchase of a 2023 Ford Explorer 4-Door AWD and authorizing the Mayor to execute the documents on the behalf of the City” was read by title only, by the City Clerk. Alderwoman Jacoby moved to approve the bill on first reading and move the bill to second reading. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. During discussion, Finance Chair Mesimer asked the City Clerk to provide the Board with a list of police vehicles and current mileage. The City Clerk left the room to get the



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list. When the City Clerk returned, she passed out copies to the Board. Finance Chair Mesimer referred to the vehicle list. She said that she met with the Chief on 8/31/2022. He informed her of the window for purchasing a new vehicle for the PD. She asked the Chief to provide her with information on each vehicle including the mileage. The Chief provided her with the information in the chart given to the Board. She reviewed the chart:

- The 2014 vehicle with 115,706 miles is used by the detectives and meetings around town, not for patrol.
- The 2020 F150 truck has 40,614 miles and is currently used by the Chief who is retiring in February.
- Two Interceptors have fewer than 10,000 miles; the 2020 has 7,838 miles and the 2022 has 5,735 miles.
- Two 2017 Interceptors have 66,990 and 85,771 miles.
- The 2018 Interceptor has 72,462 miles.

Finance Chair Mesimer continued saying that since we only have 6 full-time officers and 2 part-time detectives (*one who is now working full-time teaching and the other plans to retire early next year*) she did not see the need to purchase a new vehicle at this time. Mayor Slater called for the vote. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – nay, Langner – nay, Martin – aye, Mesimer – nay, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion failed 4 ayes, 3 nays, 1 vacant.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Alderman Scarborough moved to adjourn. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Jacoby – aye, Langner – aye, Martin – aye, Mesimer – aye, Moss – aye, Scarborough – aye and Williams – aye. Motion passed 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 vacant. 7:16pm.

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Mayor David Slater

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Georgia Fox, City Clerk