



# City of Peru



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## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, December 11, 2023 TIME: 3:30 PM

PLACE OF MEETING: Peru Municipal Building  
1901 4th Street, Peru, IL 61354

ROLL CALL: Chairman, Aldermen Lukosus, Sapienza, Ballard and Moreno present. Also present: Aldermen Payton, Tieman, Edgcomb, O'Sadnick and Mayor Kolowski

### MINUTES

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve the Public Works Committee Minutes of November 13, 2023. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion; motion carried.

### PRESENTATION

None

### CODE ENFORCEMENT

Community Service Officer Blake Frund reported he is actively working with the engineering department regarding several properties with code violations. CSO Frund reported he the properties are in various stages of remediation and will keep the committee updated on the progress. Alderman Edgcomb inquired about two properties and Alderman Sapienza reported on several violations in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward. Police Chief Sarah Raymond stated it would be helpful to prepare a list for CSO Frund. Alderman Lukosus thanked CSO Frund for providing the update. Mayor Kolowski inquired about the former Szott's building now owned by Illinois Valley Auto Group. Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning stated he met with the site engineer and working to obtain proper permitting. Mayor Kolowski complimented CSO Frund's efforts.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### IT REPORT

IT Director Stephen Rounds reported on the following:

- Access control system at the Hydro Electric Plant
- Quote for mandated security awareness training
- Updating phone systems and replacement quote of approximately \$2,800 per month
- Adding policies regarding use of electronic devices
- Revisit ERP System discussions: project would be a year in the making

Mayor Kolowski asked if the Seico project is in the budget. Mr. Rounds stated no. Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning stated the project could fall under Repair & Maintenance within the Buildings & Grounds line item.

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve quote from Seico, Inc. in the amount of \$10,782.85 for security training. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Stephanie Piscia called the roll with Aldermen Lukosus, Sapienza, Ballard and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

#### WATER & SEWER

None

#### T.E.S.T.

None

#### AIRPORT

None

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS

None

#### STREETS & ALLEY

None

#### ELECTRIC

Electric Operations Manager Kevin Minnick reported on the runner assembly evaluation of units 1 and 4 at the hydro plant and is looking into getting estimates for the repairs. Mr. Minnick reported unit 1 was damaged by fire and needs to be sent back to the manufacturer to replace. Mr. Minnick stated unit 4 is a simple fault. Mr. Minnick stated his goal is to perform a baseline status of all equipment and come up with a capital plan; eventually forming a maintenance program.

#### ENGINEERING

Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning reported on the following projects:

- Master Builder Way
  - Road is open
  - Installing street lighting
  - Spring work for punch list items
- NE Water Main Project
  - Completed and closed out
- Rt. 6 Water Main
  - Received IDOT permit
  - January 2024 bid date
- Paser Evaluation
  - Listing out capital projects
  - Will meet with Aldermen to allocate in each ward
- Improvements
  - Plank Road (STU Program)
  - ITEP (Pedestrian Trail)

- Controlled by IDOT
- June 2024 bid letting
- Various capital projects
  - Bidding soon
- Miscellaneous Water Main Projects
  - Work in progress

#### OLD BUSINESS

Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning reported on roof replacements at the Wastewater Treatment facilities. Chris Perra, President of T.E.S.T. reported on the October quote from Northern Illinois Seamless Roofing stating they will honor the quote provided if the city is willing to put a down payment of \$22,000 for all the facilities.

#### NEW BUSINESS

PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King initiated a discussion regarding separating the radio system between the public works department and electric department. PSM/Fire Chief King stated the departments frequently walk over each other and could become a safety issue. Nick Biagioni of Nick's Emergency Lighting stated the repeater equipment is located at the former IVCH hospital and we would need to run fiber back to the police department. Mr. Biagioni stated he didn't have a formal quote but estimated it could cost approximately \$40,000-\$50,000 to separate. Mr. Biagioni stated he will get quotes and report back to the committee. Mr. Biagioni also stated part of the fiber work can be done now. PSM/Fire Chief King reported the upgrade is not in the budget but will work it in.

Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning reported on discussions to vacate portion of 7<sup>th</sup> Street at the dead end of Harrison Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### CLOSED SESSION

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Tieman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.