

**CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 27, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Peru City Council was called to order by Mayor Ken Kolowski in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, March 27, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza, Lukosus and present; Alderman Buffo absent. Mayor Kolowski present.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**PRESENTATION**

**MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS**

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of March 13, 2023; Treasurer’s Report for February 2023 and Peru Police Department Monthly Report for February 2023. Alderman Waldorf made a motion the minutes and reports be received and placed on file. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion; motion carried.

**FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Alderman Sapienza presented the following disbursements for payment on March 29, 2023:

<b><u>FUND NAME</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>
General Fund	\$515,139.02
Utility Fund	1,928,662.53
Airport Fund	<u>4,387.93</u>
Total	\$2,448,189.48

Alderman Sapienza made a motion the disbursements be received, placed on file and the bills be paid in the usual manner. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza and Lukosus voting aye; Alderman Buffo absent; motion carried.

Alderman Tieman made a motion to approve \$250,000 reinvestment into Charles Schwab, CD at 5.4% for 18 months (Utility Fund). Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza and Lukosus voting aye; Alderman Buffo absent; motion carried.

Alderman Tieman made a motion to approve \$235,000 reinvestment into Comerica Bank, CD at 5.25% for 18 months (Utility Fund). Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza and Lukosus voting aye; Alderman Buffo absent; motion carried.

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### **PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to award lowest bid for truckload of 35' poles (restock) from Brown Wood Preserving Co. in the amount of \$16,618.00. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza and Lukosus voting aye; Alderman Buffo absent; motion carried.

### **POLICE AND FIRE COMMITTEE**

### **REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Kolowski presented a proclamation proclaiming April 2023 as Fair Housing Month. Alderman Waldorf made a motion to receive the proclamation and place it on file. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion; motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Payton made a motion to approve Memo of Agreement with IUOE Local 150. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Waldorf, Sapienza and Lukosus voting aye; Alderman Buffo absent; motion carried.

### **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Clerk Bartley presented a petition from Ryan & Kayla Jeppson seeking a text amendment/special use for the property located at 1824 4th Street. Alderman Payton made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Department for review and recommendation. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a petition from Greg & Dawn Coble seeking variances for the property located at 2328 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Alderman Waldorf made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Department for review and recommendation. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a petition from Pita Rey Estates LLC seeking a special use for the property located at 4 Center Place. Alderman Ballard made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Department for review and recommendation. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a communication from Rita Studzinski of the Compassionate Friends River Valley Chapter requesting permission to hold the annual Compassionate Friends Walk at Baker Lake on Sunday, September 17th. Alderman Edgcomb made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a communication from Saint Bede Academy requesting permission to use the tennis courts for the Saint Bede Tennis teams. (Boys season runs March 1-end of May) (Girls season begins August 7-October). Alderman Payton made a motion to receive the communication, placed it on file and permission granted. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion; motion carried.

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**MAYOR'S NOTES**

Mayor Kolowski expressed his sympathy to the families of the senseless killings Covenant School in Nashville, TN.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reminded the council of the upcoming easter egg hunt at Centennial Park on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 p.m. with a reserved sensory hour for children with special needs from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Alderman Tieman reminded all regarding the need for Habitat for Humanity volunteers.

Mayor Kolowski reported city workers and volunteers are not permitted to pick up trash along Rt. 251. Mayor Kolowski suggested possible locations for volunteers to pick up "earth day" trash.

Alderman Edgcomb inquired about upgrading parks and special needs park equipment,

**CLOSED SESSION**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.