

CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 29, 2026

A regular meeting of the Peru City Council was called to order by Mayor Ken Kolowski in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, June 29, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

City Clerk Jamey Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno present. Mayor Kolowski present.

PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of June 15, 2026, Treasurer's Report for May 2026, City Clerk's Report of Cash Received for May 2026, and Peru Volunteer Ambulance Service Inc. Activity Summary for May 2026. Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes and reports be received and placed on file. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alderman Sapienza presented the following disbursements for payment on July 1, 2026:

<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>
General Fund	719,882.29
Insurance Fund	150,373.09
Garbage Fund	81,221.76
Electric Fund	359,638.11
Water Sewer Fund	237,445.21
Airport Fund	<u>470.59</u>
Total	\$1,549,031.05

Alderman Sapienza made a motion the disbursements be received, placed on file and bills paid in the usual manner. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve from Dimond Bros. Insurance, with National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, for Boiler and Machinery coverage, in the amount of \$95,857.00. Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman Tieman made a motion to approve quote in the amount of \$79,316.00 for 156 8x8 radiused companion niches (2 walls) for the cemetery. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

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Alderman Tieman made a motion to approve a change order from GZA for the installation and monitoring of additional well at the landfill in the amount of \$45,000.00. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve a change order from Performance Pipeline for the Interceptor Sewer Cleaning in the amount of \$225,000. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Alderman Sapienza made a motion to approve an engineering service agreement with Chamlin and Associates for the 37th Street Storm Sewer Improvements. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Alderman Moreno made a motion to approve the refurbishment of unit 3 speed increaser gearbox for a price between \$58,823.00 and \$328,370.00 depending on scope needed with DB Santasalo. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Alderman Moreno made a motion to approve adjusting the purchase price of spare bearings and seals to \$47,699.00 with DB Santasalo. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-07

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY GATZA AND ZACHARY MILUS AS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICERS FOR THE CITY OF PERU

Alderman Tieman made a motion the resolution be adopted as written and read. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A QUALIFYING FACILITIES POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH LKCS, INC. AND THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC AGENCY

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Alderman Lukosus made a motion the resolution be adopted as written and read. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Tieman absent. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Mertel presented a petition from Donald and Nicole Plochocki requesting variances for property located at 14 Pointe Blvd. Alderman Lukosus made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a petition from Michael Blaydes seeking to combine property PINs 17-17-236-005 and 17-17-236-003 for zoning purposes and for rezoning of PIN 17-17-236-003 from R-2 Single Family District to B-2 Neighborhood Shopping District. Alderman Moreno made a motion the Petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Riverfront Bar & Grill requesting 1 hour extension of "Day Hours" and the 65 dba sound limit for outdoor music to 11:00 p.m. on July 3, 2026. Alderman Sapienza made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Joey Fisher requesting permission to host a Movie in the Park at Sunset Park on Saturday, August 15th. Alderman Edgcomb made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Colton Reiter on behalf of the Praise in the Park committee requesting permission to host the annual Illinois Valley 4 Jesus event at Centennial Park on Saturday, June 12, 2027. Alderman Moreno made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted.

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Donna Aleksy, Peru Elementary School District 124 PTA requesting permission to hold a Family Picnic at Baker Lake (west side) on Thursday, August 20th at 4:30 p.m. Alderman Tieman made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S NOTES

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events, reported on the upcoming fireworks event. PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King reported that crews will be working on cleaning the pad on Tuesday.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Payton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.