

CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 2, 2024

A regular meeting of the Peru City Council was called to order by Mayor Ken Kolowski in the Peru City Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 7:12 p.m.

City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno present; Mayor Kolowski present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

PRESENTATION

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of December 18, 2023, and the Special Meeting Minutes of December 27, 2023. Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes and report be received and placed on file. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alderman Sapienza presented the following disbursements for payment on January 3, 2024:

<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>
General Fund	\$2,702,501.50
Insurance Fund	130,938.23
Garbage Fund	75,791.10
MVP TIF	96,300.00
Utility Fund	353,444.52
Landfill Fund	2,148.31
Airport Fund	<u>48,863.55</u>
Total	\$3,668,279.75

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, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Police Chief Sarah Raymond announced the retirement of Officer Mark Credi on Thursday, January 4th after 26 years of service. Chief Raymond stated that Ofc. Credi worked as an officer for Peru throughout his career doing a “plethora of things” for the department and the city. Chief Raymond reported that Ofc. Credi began his career in law enforcement in 1989 as a 911 telecommunicator with the La Salle Police Department before becoming an officer with the Peru Police Department in September 1997. Chief Raymond went on to say that Ofc. Credi has done everything from firearms training for being a school resource officer early on to [emergency medical services], CPR instructor. Chief Raymond stated, “You name it, he’s done it.” and so wanted to acknowledge him and his services. Lt. Art Smith, who was in the

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police explorer program in high school when Credi was an instructor, stated he knew he wanted to go into law enforcement before joining, but the program was the “deciding factor.” Lt. Smith said Credi was a great asset to the department and will be greatly missed. Lt. Smith stated he looked up to him especially as a young officer in his career. Lt. Smith stated that what he recalled about Officer Credi in those programs is right away I noticed how he conducted himself. Lt. Smith stated Ofc. Credi showed great enthusiasm toward the field of law enforcement and could tell he had a passion for his career.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King reported that a laborer (street department) gave notice and asked for permission to approve a new hire.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Clerk Bartley presented the minutes of the December 20, 2023, Planning/Zoning Commission hearing on the petition of the City of Peru for annexation and zoning of territory pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/7-1-13. (FBW Family, LLC - 15.9± acres - part of PIN# 11-33-317-000). Alderman Tieman made a motion the minutes be received, placed on file and concur with the recommendation. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6829

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING AND ZONING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF PERU, ILLINOIS (FBW FAMILY, LLC - 15.9± acres - Part of PIN# 11-33-317-000)

Alderman Ballard made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented the minutes of the December 20, 2023, Planning/Zoning Commission hearing on the petition of the City of Peru for annexation and zoning of territory pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/7-1-13. (Guerrero – 215 LaSalle Road – 5.2± acres - PIN# 11-33-316-000). Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes be received, placed on file and concur with the recommendation. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion; motion carried.

Clerk Bartley presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6830

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING AND ZONING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF PERU, ILLINOIS (Guerrero - 215 LaSalle Road - 5.2± acres - PIN#11-33-316-000)

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

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PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to hire selected candidate for the position of Apprentice Lineman in the Electric Department. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Sapienza made a motion to approve Downtown TIF Commercial Renovation Program application of Matthew Dalton and award grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 for TIF-eligible expenses at 2222 ½ 4th Street (PIN#17-17-333-003). Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Payton made a motion to approve Downtown TIF Commercial Renovation Program application of Matthew Dalton and award grant funds in the amount of \$4,919.93 for TIF-eligible expenses at 2222 4th Street (PIN#17-17-333-002). Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion to approve Downtown TIF Commercial Renovation Program application of Premier Properties and award grant funds in the amount of \$2,000 for TIF-eligible expenses at 350 5th Street (PIN#17-16-428-001). Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

MAYOR'S NOTES

Mayor Kolowski reported that January 1st will be the 91st Anniversary of the Peru CSO.

Chief Raymond thanked all who helped with the Blue and Red Christmas acknowledging Blake Frund, Jeri Etscheid, Michelle Wagner and Matt and Tabitha & Matt Peters.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Lukosus made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26.