



# City of Peru



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## FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING:                      Monday, July 22, 2024                      TIME: 4:14 PM

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

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

### MINUTES

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve the Finance Committee Minutes of July 8, 2024. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

### PRESENTATION

None

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### FINANCE

Finance Officer Tracy Mitchell reported the State of IL will be removing the 1% grocery tax effective January 1, 2025. Ms. Mitchell stated the State of IL made the city whole during the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Mitchell stated the municipality will have the option to re-enact the grocery tax and noted the loss of revenue is significant.

Alderman Tieman inquired asked when the Peru Elementary bond will be exhausted and if the city will receive the revenue or will it sunset. Clerk Bartley stated he did not think there is sunset language within the agreement.

Mayor Kolowski asked about the audit process. Finance Officer Tracy Mitchell reported the audit is on schedule.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

None

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reported on this year's request from St. Bede to utilize the tennis courts at Washington Park for their tennis season. Mr. Thorson noted the request to close pickleball courts during scheduled meets.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reported on the following additional topics:

- \$23,750 in sponsor donations for the Taste of the IL Valley
- 50/50 up to \$4,500
- Music under the Oaks on 7/26 with music by Written Warning
- 28<sup>th</sup> Street Playground grant approved; work to begin in October

Mayor Kolowski asked for feedback on billboard sign replacement. Alderman Lukosus asked for additional quotes. Alderman Sapienza asked to find a responsible bill from Anderson Sign, Key Outdoor and MCS.

Alderman Sapienza asked about .gov and .il.us. IT Director Stephen Rounds stated they would be mirrored.

Mayor Kolowski presented a plan to convert the old concrete ice rink/parking slab at Veteran's Park into pickleball courts. Mayor Kolowski proposed resurfacing and fencing at a cost of approximately \$100,000.00. Alderman Moreno asked if the city had received feedback on the surface. Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events stated he had not received feedback yet. Alderman Sapienza asked to contact the Illinois Valley Pickleball Club for input.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### CLOSED SESSION

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Tieman made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.