



City of Peru



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PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, October 2, 2023 TIME: 4:32 PM

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

ROLL CALL: Aldermen Edgcomb, Payton, Tieman and O'Sadnick present.

MINUTES

Alderman Payton made a motion to approve the Public Services Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2023. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion; motion carried.

PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CODE ENFORCEMENT

None

POLICE

None

FIRE

None

LANDFILL

None

CEMETERY

None

PARKS & RECREATION

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events provided an update regarding National Fitness Court Grant Opportunity for an outdoor fitness court. Mr. Thorson reported the total cost would be \$130,000 plus the slab and located on the west side of Baker Lake. Committee recommended holding off until next budget year.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events informed the Council he had approved a quote from Sportsfields Inc. for \$6500.00 to top-dress the infield & sidelines at Schweickert Stadium. Mr. Thorson commented on the need to smooth out the soccer field at Veteran's Park. Mr. Thorson noted Sportsfields Inc. could help with that, but the cost was significant. PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King reported he will ask Bob Ghighi to set up a plan dethatch and top dress.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reported he is still waiting on the Sunset Park playground install.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events informed the Council that he will be meeting with Pistol Shrimp personnel on October 10, 11 and 12. Adam asked if any Council members would participate. Mayor Kolowski asked the Council if anyone thinks the City should have more input and oversight with city park property. Mayor Kolowski stated that he had received complaints about a theme night. Police Chief Sarah Raymond said an officer was present at all games and she never heard of any issues. Chief Raymond asked Mayor Kolowski if there was a specific theme night that he had heard about. Mayor Kolowski answered Pride Night. Alderman Payton immediately stated the City supports all groups and is inclusive. Mayor Kolowski asked if there were any groups the Council would oppose, like BLM. The Council took issue with that statement as well. Alderman Edgcomb said it doesn't matter what groups.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion to go into closed session to discuss meetings on collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and meetings held to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Edgcomb, Payton, Tieman and O'Sadnick voting aye; motion carried.

Closed session started at 4:55 p.m. and ended at 5:15 p.m.

Alderman Payton made a motion to reopen the meeting. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Edgcomb, Payton, Tieman and O'Sadnick present.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Payton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.