

CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 27, 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, July 27, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

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

PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of July 13, 2026, Treasurer's Report for June 2026, and City Clerk's Report of Cash Received for June 2026. Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes and reports be received and placed on file. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alderman Sapienza presented the following disbursements for payment on July 29, 2026:

<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>
General Fund	526,647.78
Garbage Fund	81,221.76
TIF Funds	19,725.50
Electric Fund	3,193,420.37
Water Sewer Fund	200,180.33
Landfill Fund	19,406.00
Airport Fund	<u>45,443.22</u>
Total	\$4,086,044.96

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, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Payton made a motion to approve \$5,000 contribution to Central States District 20 Baseball. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion to approve quote from 25/8 Xtreme in the amount of \$29,857.50 for the Taste of the Illinois Valley. Amount offset by event sponsor funds and raffle. Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reported the city received \$24,000 in sponsorships and \$3,200 so far from the 50/50 that will offset the cost. Clerk Mertel

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Sapienza made a motion to approve an Engineering Service Agreement with Chamlin & Associates for the Water Treatment System Improvements Study. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Sapienza made a motion to approve a proposal from Chamlin & Associates for the Slough Bridge inspection in the amount of \$28,400. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve the Shooting Park Road Shoulder Widening & Resurfacing project to Advanced Asphalt in the amount of \$233,926.02. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve the Area 2 Phase 2 Sewer Separation project to SKI Sealcoating & Maintenance, Inc in the amount of \$1,240,566.96. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Moreno made a motion to award the Water St. Breaker Replacement Installation Contract to Power Systems Solutions (PSS) for the low bid of \$ 236,309.11. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Moreno made a motion to approve the purchase of Borescope & Hot Section Inspection for the GG3 gas turbine from Johnson Turbine Support for \$12,850. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve the purchase of 3 replacement transformers for Grant St accident from Sunbelt Solomon for \$11,700. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Payton made a motion to approve Downtown TIF Commercial Renovation Program application of Matthew Becker and award grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 for TIF-eligible expenses at 1920 4th Street, Peru. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman O'Sadnick absent. Motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Mertel presented a Letter of from Lieutenant Douglas P. Bernabei announcing his retirement from the Peru Police Department effective August 31, 2026. Alderman Edgcomb made a motion the letter be received and placed on file. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a thank you card from resident Mike Traub for fixing the entry to his driveway. Alderman Moreno made a motion the card be received and placed on file. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S NOTES

Alderman Moreno spoke on behalf of the upcoming St. Jude Run in honor of Guilana Koehler.

Mayor Kolowski reminded the council the Taste of the IL Valley event begins on Friday.

Mayor Kolowski congratulated the IV Baseball team on winning the District 20 tournament, moving on to the Little League World Series in South Carolina.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Payton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Edgcomb seconded the motion and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.