

CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

PERU CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PERU, INDIANA

February 5, 2024

Mayor Don Sturch called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Common Council to order at 6:00 pm on February 5, 2024. The following members were present: Steve Anderson, Tim Fisher, Brandi Murphy, Peter Sahaidachny, Drew Stevenson, and Arica Ulery.

Others present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kurt Krauskopf, City Attorney Dustin Kern, department heads and other interested persons and members of the community.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Arica Ulery

INVOCATION – led by Pastor Brent Wedding

ROLL CALL – Anderson, Fisher, Murphy, Sahaidachny, Stevenson and Ulery were present. Councilperson Huber was absent.

READING & CORRECTING JOURNAL – of minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 8, 2024.

Councilperson Sahaidachny moved, seconded by Councilperson Stevenson, to suspend the rules and to adopt the minutes as presented.

Roll Call: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION CARRIED

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COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Murphy: Nothing to report

Ulery: Nothing to report for the Tax Abatement Committee, Cable Committee is missing a couple of members and has not met yet, the Plan Commission met on Jan 30 and rejected the chicken ordinance, and the Civic Center Committee will meet on Feb 15

Anderson: The Solid Waste board is going to install larger receptacles for cardboard at their Logansport Road facility.

Fisher: He met with the recycling district. The area behind Hardee's is closed now due to the death of the owner. They have seen an increase in traffic. He attended the Peru Utilities board meeting, and they

discussed the Wastewater upgrades. Tim, Drew, and Arica took a tour of the water filtration plant. He also attended the MCEDA appreciation banquet.

Sahaidachny: Reported on the last Board of Works meeting. They approved a new contract with the City Attorney. He also attended the Miami County Council meeting.

Stevenson: He reported that MCEDA had approved deleting some TIF districts. Also, the work should begin shortly on the Forest Street/ 2nd Street project down by the YMCA.

Huber: Mayor Sturch reported on his behalf. There are currently 9 dogs in the animal shelter. They are working on a new ventilation system at the facility. The street department is working on patching and repairing the potholes that are cropping up.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE



NEW BUSINESS:

Councilperson Ulery moved, seconded by Councilperson Anderson to consider Resolution 2, 2024

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION NO. 2-2024

Whereas, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was originally appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec. 1. Be it ordained (resolved) by the Common Council of Peru, IN, Miami County, that for the expenses of the taxing unit, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

Fund Name: 2243	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED BY FISCAL BODY
Major Budget Classification:		
Personal Services	\$ <u>9286.00</u>	\$ _____
Personal Services	\$ _____	\$ _____
Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____

Other Supplies & Charges	\$ _____	\$ _____
Township Assistance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Debt Service	\$ _____	\$ _____
Capital Outlays	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL for <u>2243</u> Fund:	\$ _____	\$ _____

Fund Name: **1101 010 390**

Major Budget Classification:

Personal Services	\$ <u>50,000.00</u>	\$ _____
Personal Services	\$ _____	\$ _____
Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Supplies & Charges	\$ _____	\$ _____
Township Assistance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Debt Service	\$ _____	\$ _____
Capital Outlays	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL for <u>1101</u> Fund:	\$ _____	\$ _____

Clerk Treasurer Krauskopf explained that the additional funding of \$9286 is to pay for rank changes at the fire department. Two individuals are retiring this year and have been returned to the rank of private. However, state statute dictates that they be paid at their prior rank after being replaced as Chief and Assistant Chief until their retirement. No funds were included in the budget to pay this increased amount, so the additional appropriation is needed.

Chief Feller reported that funds need to be allocated to pay for the retention of Bill Raber. He is going to retire shortly, and no adequate replacement has been found. He has agreed to remain as a consultant for 2024 so he can continue to do the job and train a replacement.

This resolution will come back in March for adoption.



Dan Miller representing the Indiana Department of Transportation updated the council on the ProPEL INDOT initiative for the area referred to as South 31. This is the area of US 31 from just south of the Miami County/Fulton County border to 276th Street in Hamilton County.

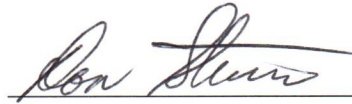
Communications:

NOTHING

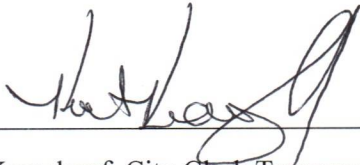
ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further, Councilperson Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Stevenson. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED



Don Sturch, Council President
Mayor of Peru Indiana



Kurt Krauskopf, City Clerk Treasurer
City of Peru, Indiana