

**CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
PERU CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PERU, INDIANA
July 1, 2024
REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Don Sturch called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Common Council to order at 6:00 pm on July 1, 2024.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by: Brandi Murphy

INVOCATION – Pastor Brent Wedding

ROLL CALL –Anderson, Fisher, Huber, Murphy, Sahaidachny, Stevenson and Ulery were present. Also present were City Attorney Dustin, Kern and Clerk Treasurer Andrea Newnum

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READING & CORRECTING JOURNAL - of minutes of Regular Meeting on June 3, 2024.
Councilperson Sahaidachny moved, seconded by Councilperson Stevenson, to suspend the rules and to adopt the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

Murphy- attended the Park Board meeting on June 13, no update to report on Splashpad, students have been helping clean up, stain our Miami’s Fort

Ulery-Cable Committee did not meet this month, Abatement Committee met June 20th for annual review, deemed compliant, Plan Commission met and were in favor of rezone 401 Washington from R1 to R3, they also approved a variance for Kokomo Gravel with the stipulation of no blasting, The Bee Ordinance was tabled

Anderson had nothing.

Fisher: Attended the Utility Meetings on June 5th and 18th, MCEDA meeting on June 12th, Recycle Meeting June 17th-recycle bins have been placed in the Schnieder Electric parking lot, attended the Rediscover Downtown where 2nd Saturdays and Cole Porter Festival was discussed, attended the Board of Works meetings on June 4th and 18th, attended Abatement Committee where they were found in compliance.

Sahaidachny-attended the Board of Works meeting on June 18th, Miami County meeting where appropriations were approved, and salary ordinance will be addressed on August 27th.

Huber-spoke with Brian with the street department they are prepping for Circus City days, meet with Lieutenant Merrell with Civil Air Patrol in trying to get a group here, Airport will be hosting an open house September 7th, nothing from Animal Control but requested that if anyone sees a post on Facebook to please share and help get the dogs adopted.

Stevenson had nothing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

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NEW BUSINESS:

**CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL
ORDINANCE # 11 -2024
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 24, 2023**

WHEREAS, the City of Peru has caused public notice to be placed in the Peru Tribune; and
WHEREAS, the City of Peru "2024 Wage Ordinance", Ordinance 24, 2023, an ordinance establishing salaries and wages of the civil employees and appointees for the year 2024, needs to be amended; and
WHEREAS, due to a federal change in the white-collar exemption rule
WHEREAS, the rate of pay for the following department positions should read:

MAYOR

Mayor Secretary \$19.24/hr. x 1872= \$36,017.28
Maintenance \$23.06/hr. x 1872= \$43,168.32

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney \$43,888 per yr. \$1,688/ bi-weekly
Administrative Assistant 494 hrs. x 14.16/hr. \$7,000 Annually

MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

(2) ASST. FOREMANS @ \$21.39/hr. \$21.63/hr. x 2,080 hrs. = ~~\$88,982.40~~ \$89,980.80

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Building Secretary/Bookkeeper \$19.05/hr. x 1872= \$35,661.60
Code Enforcement Officer \$19.05/hr. x 1872= \$35,661.60
Code Enforcement Administrator \$19.05/hr. x 1872= \$35,661.60
Zoning Administrator \$19.05/hr. x 1872= \$35,661.60

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

Asst. Supervisor \$19.24/hr. x 2080 = \$40,019.20

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Asst. Superintendent \$ 16.25/hr. x 2080 = \$ 33,800

GOLF DEPARTMENT

Club House Manager \$43,888 per yr. \$1,688/bi-weekly

AVIATION

Airport Manager \$ 16.39/hr. x 2080 = \$34,091.20

POLICE DEPARTMENT

(2) Clerk/Secretary \$19.43/hr. x 1872 = \$36,372.96
(1) Secretary 1 @ \$19.62/hr. x 1872 = \$36,728.64

FRINGE BENEFITS

ALL FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

6. Civil city hourly employees (with the exception of firefighters and police) will accumulate 1 ½ hours of compensatory time for every hour they work over **40 hours in a work week**, up to a maximum compensatory time bank of one hundred twenty (120) hours

A Motion was made by Councilperson Anderson and seconded by Councilperson Ulery to consider Ordinance 11-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

It was explained that the changes to the Wage & Salary Ordinance were made due to the changes in the FSLA rules for salary-exempt employees. It was also explained that there are further changes that will need to be made in January.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Huber and seconded by Councilperson Ulery to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance 11-2024 in one meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Ulery and seconded by Councilperson Huber to adopt Ordinance 11-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 16-2024

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE
CITY OF PERU MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY**

Josh Chance from the Peru Utilities discussed the changes in rates for the electric and how it will affect the residential rates.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Anderson and seconded by Councilperson Stevenson to adopt Resolution 16-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE 12-2024

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A NORTH/SOUTH ALLEY IN THE CITY OF PERU

WHEREAS; A PETITION TO VACATE a North/South Alley bounded by the north by the East/West Alley, bounded by the south by West Albert Street, bounded by the east by parcel # 52-08-28-103-016.000-016, commonly known as 500 N Broadway, bounded by the west by parcel #52-08-28-103-015.000-016, commonly known as 20 Albert St. After Public Notice and the Public Meeting on the 25th day of June 2024. the City of Peru Planning Commission has given its **Favorable** Recommendation and therefore submits their recommendation to the City of Peru Common Council for final action.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Anderson and seconded by Councilperson Stevenson to consider Ordinance 12-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Ulery and seconded by Councilperson Murphy to adopt Ordinance 12-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE 13-2024

AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE IN THE CITY OF PERU

WHEREAS; A PETITION TO REZONE from R-1 to R-3 on Parcel #: 52-08-27-101-062.000-016, commonly known as 401 Washington Ave. Legal Description- 021-61802-00 NORTH PERU AD LOT 59 42 268 02000

A Motion was made by Councilperson Sahaidachny and seconded by Councilperson Anderson to consider Ordinance 13-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Fisher and seconded by Councilperson Sahaidachny to adopt Ordinance 13-2024. Motion carried with a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED

Communication: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

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

MEETING ADJOURNED



Andrea Newnum, City Clerk Treasurer
City of Peru, Indiana



Don Sturch, Council President
Mayor of Peru Indiana