

**Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday January 6, 2014**

A regular work session meeting and public hearing of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Peculiar, Missouri, was held in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Monday January 6, 2014. Mayor Ernest Jungmeyer called the meeting to order and all who were present joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following aldermen responded to roll call: Michael Gallagher, Veronika Ray, Donald Turner, Bob Fines, Holly Stark and Homer Dunsworth

City Staff present for the meeting were City Administrator Brad Ratliff, City Attorney Reid Holbrook, City Engineer Carl Brooks, Chief of Police Harry Gurin, City Clerk Nick Jacobs, City Planner Clifford McDonald, Business Office Manager Trudy Prickett, and Parks & Recreation Director Nathan Musteen.

Business

A. Park Board – Topic for Discussion

RESOLUTION No. 2014-01 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI STATING THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN'S DESIRE TO DISSOLVE THE PARK BOARD; AND DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO UNDERTAKE ANY NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES TO FINALIZE THE DISSOLUTION.

Brad Ratliff addressed the Board pertaining to the Park Board. He stated that staff was directed to bring the Park Board to the Board as a topic for discussion and have the appropriate Resolution prepared to dissolve the Park Board. He made it clear that this was not a staff directive but an alderman directive and staff is not for or against it.

Alderman Fines said that he was reviewing the attendance of the Park Board. He said that it seems that quite often members would not show up. He stated that he sees a dysfunctional Park Board. He stated that the Board has a liaison for a reason and thinks that we should listen to him.

Alderman Turner said he feels that it would be a great disservice to the community to dissolve the Park Board. He said that he has attended some Park Board meetings and has noticed a fracture. He suggested to perhaps change the liaison to the Board of Aldermen.

There was further discussion amongst the Board.

Alderman Gallagher commented that he does not want to see the Park Board dissolved but rather give them the direction the Board of Aldermen want them to take.

Aldermen Ray commented that everyone has to realize that it is not one person's personal agenda but rather the City of Peculiar as a whole.

Alderman Fines asked Nathan if there needed to be an Ordinance change for the Park Board. Nathan commented that there are a few sections that are outdated and need some updating.

There was further discussion amongst the Board.

Park Board President Andrew Boston addressed the Board stating that since he was appointed to the Board they have added two new members and deserves a chance.

Park Board member Doug Stark addressed the Board. He commented that the Park Board has not hindered Nathan at all. He stated that the City needs a Park Board.

There was further discussion.

Park Board member Kelsie McCrea addressed the Board. She also stated that it would be a disservice to dissolve the Park Board. She said it's an opportunity for everyday citizens to give input on how the parks operate.

Park Board member Chris Green addressed the Board he listed his reasons as to why the Board should not be dissolved.

Kerri Robinson addressed the Board. She stated that after coming to the meetings for years, she thinks the Park Board should get an opportunity to work it out.

Toni Wiseman addressed the Board. She was one of the original members of the first park Board. She listed some of the history of the Park Board and how it would be a bad decision to disband the Park Board.

The Mayor stated that he agreed with Alderman Turner on his points, Doug Stark on his points, Toni Wiseman, Kerri Robinson, and Alderman Ray on their points. He stated that Peculiar is growing. He stated that the residents and volunteers established the Park Board and does not want to take it away from them.

Alderman Dunsworth moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-01, seconded by Alderman Gallagher was failed by a 3-3 roll call vote. It was stated by the City Attorney that the Mayor does not vote on a tie in regards to a resolution.

Alderman Gallagher	Aye	Alderman Ray	Nay
Alderman Dunsworth	Aye	Alderman Stark	Nay
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Nay

The mayor announced a 5 minute recess at 8:00 pm to reconvene at 8:05pm.

B. Bill No. 2013-23 - AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR TO ADOPT AN OFFICIAL ZONING MAP WHICH INCORPORATES ALL CHANGES IN ZONING, CHANGES IN ZONING DISTRICTS, AND CHANGES TO THE OFFICIAL CITY LIMITS OF PECULIAR FROM ANNEXATIONS SINCE MAY 2009.

**2nd Reading*

Cliff McDonald addressed the Board pertaining to the new zoning map. He stated that have been no changes since the last meeting.

No public comment.

Alderman Stark moved to have the second reading of Bill No. 2013-23 by title only, seconded by Alderman Gallagher and was approved by a 6-0 voice vote. Alderman Stark moved to accept the second reading of the bill and place on final passage as Ordinance number 01062014, seconded by Alderman Gallagher and approved by the following 6-0 roll call vote.

Alderman Gallagher	Aye	Alderman Ray	Aye
Alderman Dunsworth	Aye	Alderman Stark	Aye
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Aye

C. Bill No. 2013-24 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI, IMPOSING A LOCAL FUEL TAX TO BE USED TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, POLICING, SIGNING, LIGHTING, AND CLEANING OF ROADS AND/OR STREETS; AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON BONDED INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED FOR ROAD AND STREET PURPOSES, THE USE THEREOF BEING SUBJECT TO SUCH OTHER PROVISIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AS PROVIDED BY LAW, AT THE RATE OF ONE CENT (\$0.01) PER GALLON TO BE IMPOSED ON ALL MERCHANTS FOR THE SALE OF FUEL USED FOR PROPELLING MOTOR VEHICLES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE IV SECTION 30(a) OF THE MISSOURI CONSTITUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY FOR THEIR APPROVAL AT THE ELECTION CALLED AND TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON APRIL 8, 2014.

**2nd Reading*

Brad Ratliff addressed the Board pertaining to the fuel tax. He stated that this money can only be used for roads. If it were used inappropriately the auditors would catch it.

Alderman Turner stated that he had people contact him who are sick of seeing it on the ballot.

Alderman Ray stated that the biggest problem is people who reside outside of city limits speaking ill of the proposed tax.

Further discussion continued amongst the Board.

No public comment.

Alderman Stark moved to have the second reading of Bill No. 2013-24 by title only, seconded by Alderman Fines and was approved by a 4-2 voice vote. Alderman Stark moved to accept the second reading of the bill and place on final passage as Ordinance number 01062014A, seconded by Alderman Dunsworth and approved by the following 4-2 roll call vote.

Alderman Gallagher	Aye	Alderman Ray	Aye
Alderman Dunsworth	Aye	Alderman Stark	Nay
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Nay

D. Bill No. 2013-25 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI AMENDING CHAPTER 600 OF THE PECULIAR MUNICIPAL CODE AND UPDATING ELIGIBILITY PARAMETERS FOR THE RECEIPT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND EMPLOYEE PERMITS.

**2nd Reading*

City Attorney Reid Holbrook addressed the Board. He stated that this Ordinance will change the current Code to reflect State Statute.

There was some discussion amongst the Board about potential codes that may be outdated.

Alderman Stark moved to have the second reading of Bill No. 2013-25 by title only, seconded by Alderman Turner and was approved by a 6-0 voice vote. Alderman Stark moved to accept the second reading of the bill and place on final passage as Ordinance number 01062014B, seconded by Alderman Dunsworth and approved by the following 6-0 roll call vote.

Alderman Gallagher Aye
Alderman Dunsworth Aye
Alderman Fines Aye

Alderman Ray Aye
Alderman Stark Aye
Alderman Turner Aye

Alderman Ray left the meeting at 8:28pm due to illness.

Topics for Discussion

A. Industrial Development Authority

Cliff McDonald addressed the Board pertaining to the Industrial Development Authority. He said the City used to have an Industrial Development Authority but it was disbanded. He feels that this was a poor move by the former City government. This is merely a tool the City can use to help future development.

There was some discussion amongst the Board relating to the previous Industrial Development Authority.

B. Economic Development Incentive Policy

Cliff McDonald addressed the Board relating to the Economic Development Incentive Policy. It outlines the various steps to forming and regulating various districts such as Community Improvement District (CID), Neighborhood Improvement District (NID), Transportation Development District (TDD).

Brad stated that this policy will help the City be prepared for future developments.

There was some further discussion amongst the Board and staff relating to the benefits of the policy.

C. Land Use Matrix

Cliff McDonald addressed the Board pertaining to the Land Use Matrix. This is merely presented to the Board for informational purposes right now as it hasn't been finalized through the Planning Commission. There is a wealth of information that is being updated and the Planning Commission has been working diligently on the Matrix for some time.

Cliff also presented a draft version of the Ordinance necessary to incorporate the Matrix into the code and make other necessary corrections.

There was much discussion about various definitions and term usage in the Matrix.

The Land Use Matrix will be brought before the Board via a Public Hearing in February.

Alderman Turner left the meeting at 8:57pm.

Alderman Concerns or Additional Topics for Discussion by Aldermen

No Aldermen Concerns or Topics.

Aldermen Directives Reported by City Administrator

Sign and institute bill 2013-23 Zoning Map.

Forward bill 2013-24 Fuel Tax will be sent to Cass County for the election.

Bill 2013-24 Liquor Requirements will be added to our Code.

Industrial Development Authority bring back for February Worksession

Economic Development Incentive Policy bring to February Worksession

Land Use Matrix bring back in February.

Adjournment

On a motion from Alderman Stark, second from Alderman Gallagher, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03pm with a 4-0 voice vote with Alderman Turner and Alderman Ray leaving before adjournment.

Regular session minutes were taken and transcribed by Nick Jacobs, City Clerk.

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Approved by the Board of Aldermen: 1/21/14