

**Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday August 4, 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 August 4, 2014. Mayor Holly Stark called the meeting to order and all who were present joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following aldermen responded to roll call: Donald Turner, Bob Fines, Jerry Ford, Kelsie McCrea and Patrick Roberts. Veronika Ray was absent.

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.

Mayor's Appointments – Kyle Gillespie to Board of Adjustments

**Resolution 2014-42 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI
APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF KYLE GILLESPIE TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS**

Mayor Stark asked the Board to reappoint Kyle Gillespie to the Board of Adjustment. She stated that his term expired but has shown interest to serve again.

No Board comments
No public comment.

Alderman Roberts moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-42, seconded by Alderman Ford and approved by the following 5-0 roll call vote.

Alderman Ford	Aye	Alderman Ray	Absent
Alderman McCrea	Aye	Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Aye

Business

- A. Bill No. 2014-22 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI AMENDING PECULIAR MUNICIPAL CODE § 500.065 "ADOPTION OF STANDARD SPECIFICATION AND DESIGN CRITERIA."**
**2ND Reading*

City Engineer Carl Brooks addressed the Board. He said the ordinance will accept the engineering report prepared by Larkin & Associates.

Alderman Roberts asked about posting the Powerpoint from last meeting online.
Staff commented that yes it was placed under the Water Utility page.

No public comment.

Alderman Roberts moved to have the second reading of Bill No. 2014-22 by title only, seconded by Alderman Ford and was approved by a 5-0 voice vote. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the second reading of the bill, and place on final passage as ordinance number 08042014 seconded by Alderman Ford and approved by the following 5-0 roll call vote.

Alderman Ford	Aye	Alderman Ray	Absent
Alderman McCrea	Aye	Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Aye

- B. Resolution 2014-43 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RAYMORE-PECULIAR SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ONE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT THE DISTRICT COMPLEX ON SCHOOL ROAD**

Chief of Police Harry Gurin addressed the Board stating that this is an identical contract to the one executed last year. The School District will pay for 219 days and the City will pick up 41 days of pay and staff recommends approval.

Alderman Turner asked if this is the contract legal had problems with in the past.
Legal responded stating that it was 3 or 4 contracts ago.

No public comment.

Alderman Roberts moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-43, seconded by Alderman Ford and approved by the following 5-0 roll call vote.

Alderman Ford	Aye	Alderman Ray	Absent
Alderman McCrea	Aye	Alderman Roberts	Aye
Alderman Fines	Aye	Alderman Turner	Aye

Topics for Discussion

A. Motor Fuel Tax Bill

City Clerk Nick Jacobs addressed the Board regarding the Motor Fuel Tax Bill. This bill will set up the \$0.01 motor fuel tax on how it is collected and paid to the City. This bill will only come before the Board if the voters approve the Motor Fuel Tax on the Primary Election.

Brad Ratliff commented that the Ordinance will also establish what the monies collected can be used for as will the ballot language.

Alderman Turner asked if the tax is paid to the State or the City.
Staff commented it is paid directly to the City.

There was some discussion amongst the Board regarding the verbiage of the Ballot language.

B. Budget 2014-2015

Brad Ratliff addressed the Board regarding the operating numbers of the proposed budget. He stated the budget is being increased 1.4% which is very modest. He went through several specifics of each fund giving a general breakdown. He did tell the Board that staff is looking at a new City software system for all departments due to the age and ineffectiveness of our current system.

There was further discussion amongst the Board of various items in the Budget.

One of the topics was whether the Board would like to participate in the MARC Household Hazardous Waste Program. The cost is roughly \$5000 per year.

After discussion amongst staff and the Board it was determined to have a reimbursement program set aside in the budget where citizens can take their waste to Lee's Summit and pay the cost then bring the receipt back to the City to get reimbursed.

Another topic was the hiring of a new employee in the Parks Department.

Parks Director Nathan Musteen addressed the Board regarding the need for the employee and that the employee will be fully funded out of the Park Fund.

Alderman Turner asked why we contracted this work out in the past and now the need to bring it back in house.
Staff commented that the workload has increased and an employee would be a needed addition to maintain the parks to a proper standard. The addition of the new employee was presented and approved by the Park Board with their Budget Review.

There was further discussion amongst the Board as Brad continued with the presentation.

C. Smaller Trash Can for Residents 55 & Older

Brad Ratliff addressed the Board regarding some confusion on the trash service. He explained that the smaller trash can is provided to residents 55 and older in exchange for their larger one for 1\$ cheaper per month. There is no discount. After some contact with residents, most individuals 55 and over did not want to give up their larger can.

D. CCCED PowerPoint

For informational purposes the Powerpoint that was presented by the State Economic Development Department was included by the Board. This presentation included some very good information for residents. It includes data for the whole county. This information will be available on the website after the election on Tuesday.

Aldermen Concerns or Additional Topics for Discussion by Aldermen

Mayor Stark stated she provided the Board information about the new Program Ray-Pec Cares.

Alderman Turner asked about the situation regarding the recent news story about the pool permit in Tuscany.
Staff commented that the permit was not denied but was under review. Mr. Holbrook reviewed the situation and stated the City cannot deny a permit based on individual Covenants, Codes & Restrictions, thus the permit was approved.

There was further discussion amongst the Board and Staff. It was determined that Alderman Turner could come in and speak to staff at another time regarding past permits.

Aldermen Directives Reported by City Administrator

Have Cliff contact Mr. Gillespie regarding his appointment to the Board of Adjustment
Implement the design standards and criteria approved by Ordinance 08042014
Contract signed for the School Resource Officer.
Budget questions should be forwarded to staff.
5 year CIP projects will be included for next meeting.

Smaller Trash Cans for 55 and older
CCCED powerpoint will be available on Wednesday morning.

Adjournment

On a motion from Alderman Ford, second from Alderman Roberts, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm with a 5-0 voice vote.

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

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Approved by the Board of Aldermen: 8/18/14