

**Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 3, 2015**

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 3, 2015. 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, Matt Hammack, Veronika Ray, Jerry Ford, Kelsie McCrea and Patrick Roberts absent.

City Staff present for the meeting were City Administrator Brad Ratliff, City Attorney Reid Holbrook, City Planner Cliff McDonald, Chief of Police Harry Gurin, City Engineer Carl Brooks, Business Office Manager Trudy Prickett, Public Works Manager Nick Jacobs and City Clerk Janet Burlingame.

City Clerk Janet Burlingame recited the Board of Alderman Statement.

Mayor's Appointments –

A. Tom Broadhurst to Planning Commission -

Resolution 2015-40 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. TOM BROADHURST TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-40. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

B. Mayor Holly Stark to Board of Adjustment -

Resolution 2015-41 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR HOLLY STARK TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

Alderman Turner asked if there is a state statute that allows for appointment of the Mayor. City Attorney Reid Holbrook stated there is no statute that affirmatively states that you can. Alderman Turner asked if Mayor Stark was within the 4th degree of being related to herself. Mr. Holbrook replied is she related to the Alderman. The 4th degree would be somebody outside of herself. If there was any reason she could not serve, it would be made known.

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-41. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 4-1 roll call vote.

Alderman McCrea	Aye	Alderman Ray	Aye
Alderman Ford	Aye	Alderman Hammack	Aye
Alderman Roberts	Absent	Alderman Turner	Nay

New Business –

A. Resolution 2015-42 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL ENGINEERS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A PROPOSED WATER TAP FEE ENGINEERING STUDY FOR THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MO.

City Engineer Carl Brooks discussed a proposed engineering agreement with Burns & McDonald Engineers in an amount not to exceed \$28,280.00 for a water tap fee study. The funding for the engineering study would come from the 2013 water revenue bonds. Water tap fees are designed to recover the capital cost associated with the infrastructure needed to provide water to new customers and cover the cost associated with the installation of the new water meter. Discussion ensued amongst Mayor and Board of Alderman.

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-42. The motion was seconded by Alderman Turner and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

B. Resolution 2015-43 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL ENGINEERS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A PROPOSED WATER SYSTEM VALUE ENGINEERING STUDY FOR THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MO.

City Engineer Carl Brooks discussed the proposed engineering contract with Burns & McDonald Engineers to review a water system engineering report just completed approximately a year ago by Larkin Lamp Rynearson. Although, it has been barely a year since the study, we would like to take a look at what has changed and where is the best possible place to obtain our water long term. Mr. Brooks discussed many key issues regarding the current water system needs and supply. The amount for this proposed engineering contract is not to exceed \$45,600.00 funded from the 2013 water revenue bonds. Discussion ensued amongst Mayor, Board of Alderman and City Administrator.

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-43. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

C. Resolution 2015-44 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF PECULIAR AND BARTLETT & WEST, INC. FOR THE ENGINEERING FINAL DESIGN, ADVERTISEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES OF THE STORM WATER DETENTION BASIN NORTHWEST OF SCHOOL ROAD AND ELM STREET PERTAINING TO THE I-49 & 211TH STREET INTERCHANGE AND 211TH STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

City Engineer Carl Brooks discussed the proposed engineering contract for services for final design, advertising and a limited construction phase service scope provided by Bartlett & West, Inc. for the design of storm water retention as it relates to the 211th Street Interchange Improvement Project. Mr. Brooks discussed many key issues regarding the storm water improvements. City Administrator Brad Ratliff stated the funding for this project would come from the General Obligation Bonds. Discussion ensued amongst City Administrator, Mayor and Board of Alderman.

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-44. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

D. Resolution 2015-45 - A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015

Mayor Holly Stark stated she has no desire to bring forth the fuel tax issue again, but will not oppose if that is the desire of the Board of Alderman. Discussion ensued amongst the Board of Alderman. City Administrator Brad Ratliff stated the estimate cost of the election would be \$3,700.00

Alderman Ford made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-45. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

E. Bill No. 2015-19 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PECULIAR, MISSOURI, IMPOSING A MOTOR FUEL FEE TO BE USED TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND SIGNING OF ROADS AND STREETS 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 SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED AND TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015

**1st Reading*

Discussion ensued amongst Mayor and Board of Alderman regarding the wording of the proposed fuel fee issue. Public Works Manager Nick Jacobs discussed the reason for the re-wording of the ballot language that the Board of Alderman have before them. We felt it was important to re-structure how the issue reads and the word "fee" is a much more acceptable term. Area Resident Alisa Hammack asked if the issue could read "surcharge" in place of the word "fee". City Attorney Reid Holbrook stated that there are certain words that can be used and surcharge is not one of them.

Alderman Ford made a motion to have the first reading of Bill No. 2015-19 by title only, striking the word "signing" and adding Question 1 to the proposed ballot issue. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was approved by a 5-0 voice vote. Alderman Ford made a motion to accept the first reading of Bill No. 2015-19. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hammack and was accepted by a 5-0 roll call vote.

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

Aldermen Concerns –

Alderman Hammack discussed the formation of the Citizens for Improved Roads Committee (CFIR) and introduced members. A concerned citizen is requesting the lawn be mowed by Casey's. It would be helpful for the Board of Alderman to receive the meeting packet on Thursday. Alderman Ray stated she has major concerns about the appearance of areas of the city, they are not very attractive to Peculiar. Mayor Stark asked Staff to put together a cost estimate on maintaining the entrance of the City. Alderman Ford asked if Staff could meet with him and area resident to discuss the detention pond and run off in Twin Oaks.

Aldermen Directives –

Notify Tom Broadhurst of his appointment to Planning & Zoning
Mayor appointed to the Board of Adjustments
Mayor Sign Contract with Burns & McDonald on Water Tap Fee Engineering Study
Mayor Sign Contract with Burns & McDonald on Water System Value Engineering Study
Mayor Sign Contract with Bartlett & West on Storm Water Detention/Retention Basin
Call for the Election for November 3, 2015 was approved
Approved 1st Reading of Bill No. 2015-19 "Fuel Fee Issue"
Bring back Bill No. 2015-19 for 2nd Reading
Contact property owner on HarrGrove near Casey's about overgrown grass
Look at Staff maintaining interchange and get cost estimate
Meet with resident in Twin Oaks
Next Meeting the Budget will be presented

Adjournment -

On a motion from Alderman Ford, seconded from Alderman Turner, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm with a 5-0 voice vote.

Regular work session minutes were taken and transcribed by Janet Burlingame, City Clerk.

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