**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF PERU, NEBRASKA ON OCTOBER 24, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Dave Pease called the meeting to order and informed the public of the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

Present at 6:00 p.m.: Mayor Dave Pease, and Council Members Ethan Coatney, Quentin Kieler, Marty Peregoy, and Spencer Vogt. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, a quorum was declared.

The Council reviewed the minutes from September 19, 2022, regular council meeting. Council Member Peregoy made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Kieler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember M. Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Vogt. Motion Carried 4-0.

Councilmember Peregoy made the motion to approve the claims already paid pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-01. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Coatney; Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember M. Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember Vogt: AYE. Motion Carried 4-0.

Council Member Coatney made motion to approve the claims still needing to be paid. The motion was seconded by Council Member Peregoy; Discussion, Roll Call Vote Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Vogt, “AYE”, Councilmember M. Peregoy; “AYE”; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

RAKA Rental - $1,101.28 (wtr); WesTech - $13,400.00 (wtr); JEO-$25,157.50 (wtr,sts); OPPD-$2,593.78(gen,wtr,p&r,sts,rurfr,fr,res);Windstream-$1789.06(gen,wtr,p&r,sts,rurfr,fr,res); Verizon-$40.01(wtr);Casey’sMasterCard-$1234.07(sts,rurfr,res,)CardServices-$434.40(wtr,gen); Black Hills Energey-$1830.89(gen,fr,rurfr,res); Access Systems-$1076.90(gen);American Recycling and Sanitation-$2,814.00(gen); Emergency Medical Products-$710.99(res); Hawkins-$1890.29(wtr); Auburn Newspaper-$519.15 (gen); Pitney Bowes-$260.40(gen); Board of Public Works-$3979.54 (wtr); Public Health Enviro Lab-$1186.00(wtr); First Wireless-$135.14(fr,rurfr,res); WESTECH- $29,480.00 (wtr/swr); Titan Machinery- $1442.78 (wtr); Lincoln WINWATER- $7,000 (wtr); Mellage Truck & Tractor- $3021.28 (sts); Tri-State Rentals-$89.68 (sts); AKRS Equipment-$111.03 (wtr); FELD Fire- $276.00 (rurfr); Heather L. Pemberton, CPA- $6525.00 (gen); Commercial Rec Specialists-$722.00(p&r); Grainger-$47.34(P&R); Bound Tree-$1285.13(res); AKRS-$182.94(sts); Eakes Office Solutions- $279.37 (gen); Miller Farrell Insurance - $7810.75 (gen); Municipal Supply- $237.22 (gen); Don’s Johns - $409.50 (gen); Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association-$100.00 (gen); Tillotson Roofing-$31,375.00 (gen); Nemaha County Clerk-$140.00 (gen); Air Stream Heating and Cooling- $701.23 (wtr); Solutions Computer Sales and Service-$128.59 (gen).

General(gen), Streets(sts), Water(wtr), Sewer(swr), Parks & Rec(p&r), City Fire(fr), Rural Fire(rurfr), Rescue(res), Grant(grnt). Sanitation (san)

The City Clerk reported that the June 2022 Hwy Allocation was $5,890.47and the March 2022 City Sales Tax was $4,110.76. The Clerk also reported that the parts for the hydrant will be delivered in approximately 8 weeks. The splash pad parts have been ordered and the pad will be repaired once they arrive and the water restriction is lifted. The Asphalt Company does have Peru on its list for repairs and will be in town within 4-6 weeks. Big Iron has placed 3 items on its auction site. Those auctions are set to end on July 13th. She presented a letter of complaint and noted that items from the letter had been addressed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Pease stated that the monthly water report can be found in the clerk’s office. Water consumption for the month has increased, due to leaks, which have been repaired by City personnel.

Mayor Pease informed everyone there was no Mayor’s Report.

Morgan Ritchie informed everyone that the previous Board of Health meeting was conducted on 29 August 2022, it is recommended to conduct a follow-up meeting 60 days later, with a projected date of 29 October 2022. Due to delays and information gathering, the next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for 14 November 2022, to follow up on previous Abatement actions.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item 1. State approval of Class D Liquor License for The Market (approved October 14, 2022).

Item 2. Sheriff Lottman briefed the Mayor and City Council about the grant opportunity to support the Peru Rescue Unit with supplies and equipment. The Nebraska Legislature recently allocated $25 Million from the State of Nebraska Grant to be used for; the replacement and upgrades of ambulances and Emergency Medical Supplies equipment in rural areas. The ambulance grant is capped at $150,000 and the equipment grant is capped at $50,000 per service. Sheriff Lottman is currently researching potential additional equipment requirements and possibly the procurement of a second ambulance, depending on funding resources and approval processes. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember M. Peregoy: Councilmember Vogt: AYE. Motion Carried 4-0.

Item 3. Review with possible approval of service agreement with UNL for Downtown Revitalization Plan/City Economic Development Plan for Peru was presented by Deb Solie (Disaster Recovery Coordinator). Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Vogt: AYE. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 4.** Peru Community Impact Group (PCIG); requested the possible approval for street closure to support Trunk-or-Treat event on October 30, 2022, from 3:00-7:00 pm. They requested the street closure be extended from the Market to the end of the block, beyond Zach’s bar and grill. With no further discussion roll call vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: “NAY”; Councilmember M. Peregoy: “AYE”; Mayor D. Pease: “AYE”; Motion Carried 3-1.

**Item 5.** Contractor’s Application for payment # 5 - $7000.00 (JEO). Councilmember M. Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilman Vogt: AYE. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 6.** Discussed the possible approval of a waiver of peddler permits for food trucks supporting Trunk-or-Treat on October 30, 2022. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: AYE; Councilmember Vogt: AYE. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 7.** Discussion with possible approval of the enclosure of the Meals on Wheels interest survey to City of Peru residents, to be included in November’s water bill. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Vogt: AYE; Peregoy: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 8. Resolution Number 2022-15**. To consider approval of land acquisition agreements/easements and settlement offers between the City of Peru, and landowners for construction, use, possession, and maintenance of the City of Peru, NE, water supply main/line from the Board of Public Works for the City Water System. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: “AYE”; Councilmember Kieler: AYE; Councilman Vogt: “AYE”. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 9.** Resolution Number 2022-16: Notice to file the Annual Certification of Program Compliance and Signing Resolution with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards (NBCS) by October 31, 2022. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Kieler: “AYE”; Councilmember Q. Peregoy: AYE; Councilman Vogt: “AYE”. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 10.** Resolution Number 2022-17: Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent 2022. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Kieler: AYE; Councilmember Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Vogt: AYE; Peregoy: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

**Item 11.** The discussion of the Farm Lease Agreement between the City of Peru, NE, and Zack Reeves, and Rhett Trail, in reference to terms of the lease and requirements for the payment of Property and Drainage taxes. There was confusion over the Drainage taxes, the City of Peru agreed to split the drainage taxes and pay half and the lessor pay the other half. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Peregoy: “AYE”; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Councilman Vogt: “AYE”. Motion Carried 4-0.

With there being no further business, Council Member Kieler made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Coatney seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote as follows, Councilmember Peregoy: “AYE”; Councilman Vogt: AYE; Councilmember E. Coatney: AYE; Councilmember Q. Kieler: AYE; Motion Carried 4-0.

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Dave Pease, Mayor

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Dave Slater, City Clerk &Treasurer