

COMMITTEE OF A WHOLE MEETING MAY 11, 2026

A Committee Of A Whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Kolowski in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, May 11, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

City Clerk Jamey Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, and Moreno present. Aldermen Ballard and Lukosus absent. Mayor Kolowski present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

Mayor Kolowski presented the Committee of A Whole Minutes of May 4, 2026. Alderman Edgcomb made a motion that the minutes be received and placed on file. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

None

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

PUBLIC WORKS (IT, Water & Sewer, TEST, Airport, Buildings and Grounds, Streets & Alleys, Electric, Engineering)

IT

None

WATER & SEWER

None

TEST

None

AIRPORT

Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning reported crews will be paving on Wednesday with striping on Thursday before the airshow.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

None

STREETS & ALLEYS

None

ELECTRIC

Kevin Minnick, Electric Operations Manager, provided updates on Eakas, Hydro and fixing poles along Peoria Street.

ENGINEERING

Eric Carls, Director of Engineering and Zoning, reported on the following:

- General Fund Street Program
 - Bids expected back in the beginning of June
- Sewer Separation on Pulaski Street
 - Plans are being reviewed and should be complete within this fiscal year

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- Deep Sewer Project
 - Has begun
- ITEP Project
 - In final progress

OLD BUSINESS

Slough Bridge will not reopen until the mud dries out.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Edgcomb reported that Rock Street, south of the splash pad needs some attention.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE (Code Enforcement, Police, Fire, Landfill, Cemetery, Parks & Recreation)

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Alderman Edgcomb reported that grants are available for home renovations and demolitions

POLICE

Police Chief Sarah Raymond reported that she is looking at hiring a part-time police officer. Alderman Edgcomb reported on the need to look at the budget first.

FIRE

None

LANDFILL

None

CEMETERY

None

PARKS & RECREATION

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events, reported on the de-wintering of the splash pad and in talks with GAF about sealing this fall.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Kolowski reported on the fish population and depth at Baker Lake. Mr. Carls reported the solutions should cost less than \$50,000. Mr. Carls reported that digesters and fish can raise lake levels and asked for approval at the next regular meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Finance, Human Resources)

FINANCE

None

HUMAN RESOURCES

None

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OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Payton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.