

CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 3, 2025

A regular meeting of the Peru City Council was called to order by Mayor Ken Kolowski in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

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

PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of October 20, 2025, Peru Police Department Monthly Report for September 2025 and Peru Volunteer Ambulance Service Inc. Activity Summary for September 2025. Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes and reports be received and placed on file. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alderman Sapienza presented the following disbursements for payment on November 5, 2025:

<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>
General Fund	\$718,454.16
Insurance Fund	149,908.28
Garbage Fund	81,145.28
Utility Fund	895,971.35
Landfill Fund	90.09
Airport Fund	<u>7,614.81</u>
Total	\$1,852,183.97

Alderman Sapienza made a motion the disbursements be received, placed on file and bills paid in the usual manner. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve barge and crane services from River Docks for \$25,600. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O’Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King reported the leaf vacuum truck was down again.

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Electric Operations Manager Kevin Minnick reported the Baker Tilly Grant is proceeding nicely and feel confident on the outcome.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6991

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT FROM CANAM STEEL CORPORATION (9 Unytite Drive, Peru – PIN: 11-32-402-001)

Alderman Payton made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6992

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 – TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY OF PERU CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A CABLE/VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDER FEE

Alderman Payton made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6993

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING SALES AND REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH BABS BREW, LLC, AND SALE OF PROPERTY (2130 4th Street, Peru - PIN 17-17-433-011)

Alderman Sapienza made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6994

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE FROM CARUS CORPORATION (May Road – PIN: 11-33-423-000 – 1.00± acres)

Alderman Payton made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Tieman seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

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PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Women's Build Zion United Church of Christ requesting permission to place a 36"x30' event sign for their Christmas cookie sale at the southeast corner of Shooting Park Road & Peoria Street from November 23, 2025-December 15, 2025. Alderman Moreno made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S NOTES

Mayor Kolowski congratulated Debo Ace Hardware on their grand re-opening celebration.

Adam Thorson, Director of Parks, Recreation and Special Events reported on another successful Halloween in the Park event. Mr. Thorson noted there were a couple of hundred participants considering the weather and other Halloween events going on simultaneously.

Mayor Kolowski reported there are several Veteran's Day events next Tuesday.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Sapienza made motion to go into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Motion carried.

Closed session began at 7:12 p.m. and ended at 7:19 p.m.

Alderman Tieman made a motion to reopen the meeting. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno present. Alderman Edgcomb absent. Mayor Kolowski present.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman O'Sadnick made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.