CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2026

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 2, 2026, at 7:03 p.m.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

PRESENTATION

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Kolowski presented the Regular Minutes of October 16, 2026. Alderman Payton made a motion the minutes 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 4, 2026:

FUND NAME	TOTAL EXPENSES
General Fund	406,874.37
Insurance Fund	147,908.74
Garbage Fund	81,277.60
Downtown TIF	10,000.00
Electric Fund	1,407,015.61
Water Sewer Fund	370,426.47
Airport Fund	2,792.96
Total	$2,426,295.75

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, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve a proposal from Advanced Asphalt in the amount of $31,355 for a storm sewer extension in the T-Hangar area of the airport. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PSM/Fire Chief Jeff King reported that curb leaf collection started today and reminded residents that crews cannot collect leaves behind cars.

REPORT OF CITY ATTOREY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented the minutes of October 28, 2026, Planning/Zoning Commission hearing on the petition of Randy Winkels concerning property commonly known as 426 6th Street. Alderman Tieman made a motion the minutes be received, placed on file and concur with the recommendation. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 7072

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING VARIANCES AS SOUGHT BY THE PETITION OF RANDY WINKELS CONCERNING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 426 6TH STREET IN THE CITY OF PERU

Alderman Ballard 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, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented the minutes of the October 28, 2026, Planning/Zoning Commission hearing on the petition of MCC Networks Services LLC concerning property commonly known as 1226 Peoria Street. Alderman Sapienza made a motion to receive the minutes and place on file. Alderman O'Sadnick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 7073

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF PERU CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REGULATE THE SALE, POSSESSION, AND USE OF SYNTHETIC ALTERNATIVE DRUGS, INTOXICATING COMPOUNDS AND CERTAIN KRATOM PRODUCTS

Alderman Edgcomb 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, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Edgcomb made a motion to appoint Alderman Andy Moreno as Chairman of Public Service Committee. Alderman Payton seconded the motion. Clerk Mertel called the roll with Aldermen Ballard, Tieman, Payton, Edgcomb, Sapienza, O'Sadnick, Lukosus and Moreno voting aye. Motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Alicia Farmer of the Better Fishing Association requesting permission to hold the annual Kid's Fishing Expo at Baker Lake on Saturday, May 8, 2027. Alderman Tieman made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Mertel presented a communication from Peru Rehab Community Development Foundation requesting an informational public town hall on its proposed integrated healthcare campus. Alderman Tieman made a motion the communication be received, placed on file and permission granted. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S NOTES

Mayor Kolowski reported that Trick-or-Treating was well done and commended the Police, Fire, and other services on a safe night.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Payton made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Moreno seconded the motion and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.