

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEBRASKA ON THE 16th DAY of SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 5:30 P.M.

The Mayor and Council of the City of Peru, Nemaha County, Nebraska were called to meet at City Hall at 614 5th Street, Peru, Nebraska 68421, on the 16th day of SEPTEMBER 2026, at 6:00 P.M. (Or as soon thereafter as possible), for a Special Meeting. This meeting was open to the public with advance notice of said regular meeting, the designated method of giving notice, including the agenda for said meeting, or the availability thereof was posted at: Peru City Hall, Western National Bank, and the Community Bulletin Board.

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

Agenda Item 1 – Roll Call

At 6:00pm a roll call was taken, and the following was recorded for attendance.

PRESENT – Mayor Theresa Westfall; Councilmembers Brent Brown, Rachel Brown, and Josh Whisler.

ABSENT – Councilmember Julia Perry.

A quorum was declared pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 17-105.

Agenda Item 2 – Recognition of Visitors:

Mayor Theresa Westfall informed the public that a copy of City Resolution #2017-02 Pertaining to Conduct Rules for City Council Meetings may be requested from the City Clerk.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Hearing

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Hearing for the Purposes of Hearing Public Comment Relating to: The One-&-Six-Year Plan for Street Improvements in the City of Peru, NE.

There was no discussion, no action was taken.

Agenda Item 4 – One- and Six-Year Plan

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, ADOPTING THE ONE AND SIX-YEAR PLAN FOR THE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF PERU

There was discussion about the streets that are on the 1-&-6-year plan. There was no further discussion.

Councilmember R. Brown moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-12, “A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, ADOPTING THE ONE AND SIX-YEAR PLAN FOR THE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF PERU.” J. Whisler seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

B. Brown – AYE, J. Perry – ABSENT, J. Whisler – AYE, R. Brown – AYE.

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 5 – Adoption of the FY 26-27 Budget and Property Tax Request

C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL: Approval of the Proposed FY 2026-2027 Budget for the City of Peru, Nebraska.

There was no discussion.

Councilmember B. Brown moved to approve item 5C. “Approval of the Proposed FY 2026-2027 Budget for the City of Peru, Nebraska.” J. Whisler seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

J. Perry – ABSENT, R. Brown – AYE, B. Brown – AYE, J. Whisler – AYE.

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

D. ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Theresa Westfall stated that the introduction of the proposed Ordinance was in order.

Councilmember J. Whisler moved that the minutes of these proceedings be kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the “Ordinance Record of the City of Peru”. B. Brown seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

R. Brown – AYE, J. Whisler – AYE, J. Perry – ABSENT, B. Brown - AYE

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

Councilmember B. Brown introduced the proposed Ordinance by Ordinance No. 2026-08.

Councilmember B. Brown moved for the suspension of the rules. J. Whisler seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

J. Perry – ABSENT, R. Brown – AYE, B. Brown – AYE, J. Whisler - AYE

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

Mayor T. Westfall declared that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and approval of Ordinances be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2026-08 might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting.

Councilmember B. Brown introduced the proposed Ordinance No. 2026-08 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.” and moved for final passage. J. Whisler seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

J. Whisler – AYE, B. Brown – AYE, J. Perry – ABSENT, R. Brown - AYE

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

Mayor T. Westfall declared that said Ordinance No. 2026-08 be approved on its first reading and its title agreed to.

E. RESOLUTION NO. 2026-13: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE CITY OF PERU PROPERTY TAX REQUEST.

There was no discussion.

Councilmember J. Whisler moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-13, "A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE CITY OF PERU PROPERTY TAX REQUEST." B. Brown seconded the motion.

On this roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

B. Brown – AYE, J. Perry – ABSENT, R. Brown – AYE, J. Whisler – AYE.

On this vote, the AYES are 3, the NAYS are 0, with 1 marked ABSENT. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 6 – Adjournment

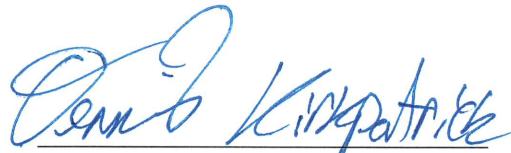
The meeting adjourned on the same day at 6:07pm CT.

HEREBY ATTESTED AND ACKNOWLEDGED



THERESA WESTFALL, MAYOR





DENNIS KIRKPATRICK, CITY CLERK