

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEBRASKA ON THE 15th 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 15th day of SEPTEMBER 2026, at 5:30 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 5:39pm a roll call was taken, and the following was recorded for attendance.

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

ABSENT – Councilmembers Rachel Brown, and 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

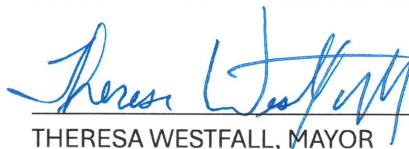
A. PUBLIC HEARING: A Hearing for the Purposes of Hearing Support, Opposition, Criticism, Suggestions, or Observations of Taxpayers Relating to the Proposed Budget for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute §13-506.

City Accountant Heather Pemberton presented the proposed FY 2026-2027 budget, noting minimal changes from the previous fiscal year. Discussion included anticipated receipts and expenditures, with property tax requests increasing only slightly due to a certified valuation increase. Key revenue categories reviewed included anticipated FEMA/NEMA funds, state allocations, local receipts, and budgeted transfers. Operational expenditures and capital outlay priorities were outlined, encompassing street improvements, department equipment requests, grant-dependent park projects, water system maintenance, and debt service obligations. It was noted that the proposed property tax request remains well within statutory computational limits, requiring no maximum rate increase. There was no further discussion and no action was taken.

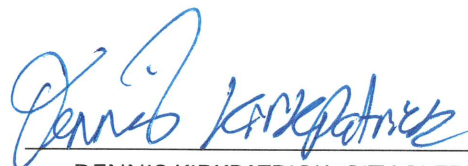
Agenda Item 4 – Adjournment

The meeting adjourned on the same day at 5:50pm CT.

HEREBY ATTESTED AND ACKNOWLEDGED


THERESA WESTFALL, MAYOR




DENNIS KIRKPATRICK, CITY CLERK