



Public Safety Committee Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda
4. Motion to Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting of **November 15, 2023**
5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Report from **October 2023**
6. City Administrator's Report
7. Public Comment
8. Code Enforcement Report
 - a. Permit List
 - b. Work Order List
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List
 - d. Open Case Report
 - e. Case Summary List
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. Slow Down West Peoria Annual Summary Report
 - b. Chronic Nuisance Properties draft review
 - c. Emergency Plan Annual Review - *refer to last month's paperwork*
 - d. Review Code Section 4-4-3 Removal of Waste, to clarify waste removal timeline requirement
10. New Business
 - a. Review and recommend to Council Waste Management contract
11. Public Comment
12. Motion to Adjourn

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This event is designed to discuss City matters according to Committee descriptions.



Public Safety Committee Official Minutes
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Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Chair Ruskusky called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Members present were Chair Ruskusky, Alderpersons Abraham and Menke. Also present were Mayor Dillon, City Administrator Krider, Alderpersons Dohm and Mathewson, residents Marlene Carter, Bonnie Farrell, and Priscilla Peterson, Dave Schaab from WM, and Clerk Barnes. Residents Susan Schlupp and John Siewert II attended remotely.
3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
4. A Motion to approve the Minutes from the **November 15, 2023** regular meeting was made by Alderperson Abraham and seconded by Alderperson Menke. **Motion carried.**
5. A Motion to receive and file the Monthly Financial Report from **October 2023** was made by Alderperson Abraham and seconded by Alderperson Menke. **Motion carried.**
6. City Administrator's Report included her doing research for tonight, and the rest will be covered later in the meeting.
7. Public Comment: WM representative Dave Schaab was given some questions about different items of concern with the new contract coming up. Answers were requested during the New Business section of the meeting. Communication is necessary and helpful for all residents.
8. Code Enforcement Report:
 - a. Permit List – was reviewed. There were 125 permits this year. Solar permits were big this year.
 - b. Work Order List – was reviewed. There will be some liens filed soon for any properties that have not been paid already or have not had taxes sold.
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List – There is no list but the log-in was received so there will be next meeting.
 - d. Open Case Report – was reviewed.
 - e. Case Summary List - was reviewed. Of the 1269 violations year-to-date through November 30, 2023, 388 were for Weed/Grass Height; 330 were for Weed/Debris – Property Free & Clean; and 178 were for wrong-way parking. There will be a few more from December. There will be an end-of-year report for the Newsletter to let residents know there were so many violations and cases closed.
9. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Slow Down West Peoria Annual Summary Report – was reviewed. There is a lot of information in the report that will be shared with the Sheriff's Department. The main thoroughfares are the main problems.
 - b. Chronic Nuisance Properties draft review – The City Attorney has stated he has found a piece of State law that takes away the power to enact such an Ordinance. So this will be dropped.
 - c. Emergency Plan Annual Review – **Please check the paperwork given at last month's meeting and give any suggested changes to the Administrator before the January meeting.** There was

a discussion concerning the involvement of the City during a disaster. It was requested that there be a mock disaster run-through once the plan is in place.


- d. Review of Code Section 4-4-3 Removal of Waste – Comparing different codes from the County and the City of Peoria to what we have, it was found that all three are fairly similar. City Attorney Connor was asked for language for the wording in question “promptly.” It was determined that “within 24 hours” was good. This would be after a complaint-driven violation was addressed. The disposal of the waste has to be considered as well. It must be in a closed container and thrown away to comply with the City’s requirement to have household waste picked up by its contractual garbage hauler on a weekly basis. There are some animal owners who may have buried containers for the express purpose of disposal of animal waste that may comply with the City’s requirements as well. **A draft of this Code Section will be at next month's meeting.**

10. New Business:

- a. Review and recommend to Council Waste Management contract – Dave Schaab from WM spoke at length about the new contract and that much education needs to be done to get the new automated lift trucks working well in West Peoria. He suggested a 6-panel brochure to be given to all residents explaining the contract and what it means, how it will impact each of them, what the scope of services will be, where to put garbage carts, the clearance needed, bulk items pickup, yard waste bundling, rates for each service and senior rates, what happens when there is non-compliance, etc.
He also suggested a timeline for implementation of the new contract: In January at the Council meeting to discuss extending the current contract until May 31st, giving residents time to find out how to meet the requirements that will go into effect June 1, 2024. February the draft of the brochure would be available for inspection by the Committee. March would be the finalizing of the brochure. April would be a meeting with WM for residents to answer questions concerning processes, rates and scope of services. June 1, 2024, the new contract will go into effect.
There followed a lengthy discussion with several questions.
By consensus, it was recommended that Council consider extending the current contract until May 31, 2024 to give time to prepare and educate residents to the implementation of the new contract.

- 11. Public Comment: Thank you to the WPPFD (West Peoria Fire Protection District) and they were commended for the way they handled the house fire on Barker the other morning.
- 12. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Menke at 7:45 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. **Motion carried.**

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Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Barnes, Clerk

