

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF POLO HELD IN THE CITY HALL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 115 S. FRANKLIN AVE., POLO, ILLINOIS, FEBRUARY 20, 2018.

INVOCATION:

Mayor Doug Knapp gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Knapp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Knapp called the regular meeting of the Polo City Council to order at 7:00p.m. on Tuesday February 20, 2018.

PRESENT: Alderman Jim Busser, Alderman Phillip Peterson, Alderman Justin Grobe, Alderman Troy Boothe, Alderman Keith Chesnut and Alderman Randy Schoon. Also present was Attorney Tom Suits, Mayor Doug Knapp and City Clerk Sydney Bartelt.

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 01/15/2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderman Chesnut made a motion to approve the January 15, 2018 minutes of the regular city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Schoon. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 01/15/2018 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderman Busser made a motion to approve the January 15, 2018 minutes of the special city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Schoon. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 02/01/2018 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderman Boothe made a motion to approve the February 01, 2018 minutes of the special city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Busser. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE JANUARY 2018 TREASURER'S REPORT TO FILE FOR AUDIT:

Alderman Busser made a motion to accept the January 2018 treasurer's report to file for audit, seconded by Alderman Schoon. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF BILLS:

Mayor Knapp asked if there were any bills to add to the list of bills; Alderman Chesnut added a bill for Humana for \$15,832.37 for the Administration Department and Alderman Schoon added a bill for Ferguson Waterworks for \$596.78 for the Water & Sewer Department. Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve the list of bills as corrected, seconded by Alderman Chesnut. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Busser yes, Alderman Peterson yes, Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Chesnut yes, and Alderman Schoon yes. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Sidewalks:

None.

Finance & Ordinances:

Alderman Chesnut reported that on February 7th, 2018 the city cashed in a general fund CD #5006621 in the amount of \$89,654.58 and deposited it into the general checking account to assist with the \$70,000 loan to Mahant Supermarket, INC. The rest of the funds will assist in covering bills.

Buildings and Grounds:

None.

Police:

None.

Sanitation:

None.

Parks & Pool:

None.

Water & Sewer:

None.

City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Sydney Bartelt reported it is budget time so start thinking about working on each department budgets. We will be going into closed session tonight to discuss any pay increases to be able to complete the budget. The budget committee meetings will be held starting the week of March 12th, the first reading of the budget is not done until the last meeting in April and then passage at the first council meeting of May. City Clerk Bartelt reported she is working on a matching grant through ComEd to hopefully assist with the electrical upgrades at the park.

Police Chief's Report:

None.

SAFETY AND ACCIDENT REPORTS:

None.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration & Possible Action on Resolution 18-07, Endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2.

Mayor Knapp reported that if the City Council agrees to approve this resolution endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2 resolution it would mean 10 more points on the grant application City Clerk Bartelt is working on for a matching grant to upgrade the electrical service boxes at Polo Community Park.

Alderman Schoon made a motion to accept Resolution 18-07, endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2 as presented, seconded by Alderman Chesnut. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

B. Consideration & Possible Action on Approval of Merchant Agreement Between the City of Polo and GovPayNet.

Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve the merchant agreement between the City of Polo and GovPayNet, seconded by Alderman Boothe. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote. Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve Mayor Knapp to sign the merchant agreement between the City of Polo and GovPayNet, seconded by Alderman Boothe. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Peterson yes, Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Chesnut yes, Alderman Schoon yes, and Alderman Busser yes. The motion carried.

C. Consideration & Possible Action on Water, Sewer, and Garbage Delinquent Bills.

Alderman Schoon filled in the Council on what the water and sewer delinquent account committee has been working on. The first step is to eliminate the water and sewer department hand delivering the pink notices. The first mailed late notice will now be sent in pink. If the delinquent bill is not paid by the date on that notice, the resident's water service will be shut off. The water and sewer committee will meet again after this has been enforced to discuss the effectiveness. After that, the committee will decide what they would like to be put in ordinance form and bring that information back to the council.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Alderman Schoon made a motion to adjourn at 7:31 pm to go into closed session to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21) Discussion of minutes lawfully closed under this act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Employee hiring, Firing, Compensation (Clerical, Police, Streets, Parks/Pool and Water/Sewer), Discipline and Performance, seconded by Alderman Grobe. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Chesnut yes, Alderman Schoon yes, Alderman Busser yes, and Alderman Peterson yes. The motion carried. The Polo City Council adjourned out of closed session and regular session at 8:14pm.

ATTEST: _____

MAYOR: _____

CITY CLERK: _____

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