

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, APRIL 2, 2018.

INVOCATION:

Mayor 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 Monday April 2, 2018.

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

ABSENT: Alderman Keith Chesnut.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 3/19/2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve the March 19, 2018 minutes of the regular city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Busser. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Sidewalks:

None.

Finance & Ordinances:

None.

Buildings and Grounds:

There will be a Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing held on Monday April 9th at 7:00 regarding a special use permit for recycling within city limits. Also building permits were issued for a garage, breezeway, and an electrical upgrade.

Police:

None.

Sanitation:

None.

Parks & Pool:

Thank you to Jim Busser and Randy Schoon for fixing the vent at the pump house. Alderman Grobe reported that it does not look like the pool is going to get a diving board back in after the old ones have been removed.

Water & Sewer:

None.

City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Bartelt reported the General Fund budget is too much in the red and each department needs to go back to make some cuts. This would be administration, clerical, audit (which can not be adjusted), police department, streets, and parks and pools. Today was the first day for City Hall accepting debit/credit cards for payments.

Police Chief's Report:

On Friday, Chief Cavanaugh was part of career day at the Polo Community High School. They have gone over interviews for the 5th officer and will make a recommendation in the next week.

SAFETY AND ACCIDENT REPORTS:

None.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Consideration & Possible Action on Contract #1 & Contract #2.

Alderman Schoon and Alderman Busser sat down with Matt Hansen on Saturday and had a very good meeting. Alderman Schoon recommends going with option #1 from Willett Hofmann & Associates.

Alderman Boothe made a motion to go with option #1 from WHA, seconded by Alderman Schoon. 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 absent, and Alderman Schoon yes. The motion carried.

B. Consideration & Possible Action on Pay Request #6 for Contract No. 1 & Willett Hofmann & Associates Engineering Invoices.

Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve pay request No. 6 for Contract No. 1 and Willett Hofmann & Associates Engineering Invoices, seconded by Alderman Busser. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion: Alderman Peterson yes, Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Chesnut absent, Alderman Schoon yes, and Alderman Busser yes. The motion carried.

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

The hand delivering of pink slips have been eliminated. Only one notice was sent out and that was sent in pink and it proved to be effective. We would like to have an ordinance changed to accommodate for the following changes:

- If a delinquent account is shut off and they pay after 3 PM, their water service will not be turned on that day
- If a delinquent account is shut off and they pay after 3 PM, they have an option to pay \$75 to have their water turned on that day
- Delinquent accounts have until the due date of the next month to pay their past due balance. If not paid by the due date, their water service will be shut off the following day. To be turned back on they will have to pay their past due balance and the most current bill which would bring the delinquent account up to date
- Shut off deposit penalties will be eliminated, and the deposits will be credited to the accounts.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration & Possible Action on a Sales Tax Rebate for Tushar Patel.

All the aldermen were in agreeance that they would like to see some projections from Jakob and Klein regarding sales tax. Tushar also stated that he would be applying for a liquor license in October for the grocery store.

B. Consideration & Possible Action on a Proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month from April 1-30, 2018.

Mayor Knapp stated we are happy to have some ladies from the Polo Evening Woman’s Club present this evening. Mayor Knapp read a proclamation declaring this month of April 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

C. Consideration & Possible Action on Pay Request #1 for Engel Electric Co.

Alderman Schoon made a motion to approve pay request No. 1 for Engel Electric Co., seconded by Alderman Grobe. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion: Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Chesnut absent, Alderman Schoon yes, Alderman Busser yes, and Alderman Peterson yes. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Alderman Schoon made a motion to adjourn the regular City Council meeting at 7:31pm, seconded by Alderman Boothe. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sydney Bartelt
City Clerk

ATTEST: _____

MAYOR: _____

CITY CLERK: _____

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