

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 3, 2017.

INVOCATION:

Mayor Doug Knapp gave 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 3, 2017.

PRESENT: Alderman Jim Busser, Alderman Phillip Peterson, Alderman Justin Grobe, Alderman Troy Boothe, Alderperson Cheryl Galor and Alderman Randy Schoon. Also present was Attorney Tom Suits, Mayor Doug Knapp and City Clerk Susie Corbitt.

ABSENT: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 3/20/17 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderperson Cheryl Galor made a motion to approve the March 20, 2017 minutes of the regular city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Randy Schoon. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE 3/20/17 MINUTES OF THE CLOSED SESSION CITY COUNCIL

The minutes of the 3/20/17 closed session meeting will be presented and approved at the next city council meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Sidewalks:

None.

Finance & Ordinances:

None.

Buildings and Grounds:

Alderman Justin Grobe reported building permits were issued for; an addition to a garage, a covered deck with electrical, a deck, fence, shed and demolition of a house and garage. He also reported there will be two Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing's held on April 5th at 7:00pm and the other at 7:15pm both for a variance for a six foot fence within the 5 foot setback regulation.

Police:

None.

Sanitation:

None.

Parks & Pool:

Aldersperson Cheryl Galor reported next Wednesday the park board meeting will be held.

Water & Sewer:

Alderman Randy Schoon reported there will be a water & sewer committee meeting for the USDA Rural Development progress held on Wednesday, April 5th at 4:00pm.

City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Corbitt reported the General Fund budget is too much in the red at \$179,275.00 and each department needs to go back to make some cuts. This would be the administration, clerical, audit (which cannot be adjusted), PD, streets and parks and pools.

Police Chief's Report:

Chief Kurt Cavanaugh reported Tim Rockwood graduated last Thursday and received his certificate. Chief said he is working on preparation for the open house.

SAFETY AND ACCIDENT REPORTS:

None.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration & Possible Action on a Proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month from April 1-30, 2017.

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 the month of April 2017 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

B. Consideration & Possible Action on Ordinance 17-04, Polo TIF, an Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a First Amendment to the Tax Increment Financing District Redevelopment Agreement by and Between the City of Polo and PNC.

City Clerk Corbitt reported when working on the new fiscal year budget she came across a parcel number that was included in the PNC reimbursement that should not have been that amounted to \$713.56. For the 2016 year this will be deducted from the amount owed by the city in 2017. City Clerk Corbitt did contact PNC to inform them of this error.

The Polo City Council accepted the first reading of Ordinance 17-04, Polo TIF, an ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a first amendment to the Tax Increment Financing District redevelopment agreement by and between the City of Polo and PNC.

C. Consideration & Possible Action on the Possible Hiring of an Employee for the Water/Sewer Department.

Mayor Knapp reported we will be hiring a full time employee to be used at the water and sewer department this year, next year split with streets, water & sewer department. He wants to give two week's notice.

Alderman Jim Busser made a motion to hire Nathan Millard for the Water & Sewer Department at \$15.00 an hour, seconded by Alderperson Cheryl Galor. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Justin Grobe yes, Alderman Troy Boothe abstain, Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes, Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman Jim Busser yes, Alderman Philip Peterson yes. The motion carried.

At this time Police Chief Cavanaugh gave the Oath of Office to Officer Tim Rockwood since he completed graduation from the Illinois State Police Academy.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Alderman Randy Schoon reported we are going to give this trial run on having a second meter for watering their lawns and such so they are not billed for the sewer portion, no promises, second meter that has to go in, the people pay for the meter and pay for the plumbing cost. Gardens, flower, etc. how long trial period. Mike Mumford reported in Oregon it is a six month season and sewer breaks June through September. Alderman Schoon feels we do not place a charge on the meter. He stated if we charge them for the second meter that they are already being charged for the first meter. Alderperson Galor stated one of our meters is \$220.00, along with plumbing costs which would all be on the customer. Alderman Schoon stated this is a way to give back to our citizens. Mike Mumford feels it need to be after the first meter. Alderman Schoon feels we need to have access to inspect this every year. Consensus is if they want to try it they can go ahead. Alderman Schoon stated with the council permission he will let them start and he will have them call Mike Mumford to inspect.

Mr. Tim Kyker called city hall today to give an update on his property at 604 North Adams Avenue, they go back to court on Wednesday, April 5th. He is still cleaning out the basement and trying to get a refrigerator and a furnace and duck work out of there. He is also supposed to receive another quote for demolition sometime this week.

Alderman Randy Schoon made a motion to adjourn the regular City Council meeting at 7:35pm, seconded by Alderman Jim Busser. Ayes 6, nays 0. The motion carried.

ATTEST: _____

MAYOR: _____

CITY CLERK: _____

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