

**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, MAY 20, 2019.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

City Clerk Bartelt called the regular meeting of the Polo City Council to order at 7:00p.m. on Monday May 20, 2019.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

City Clerk Bartelt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Alderman Justin Grobe, Alderman Jim Busser, Alderman Keith Chesnut, Alderman DJ Sanders, Alderman Troy Boothe, and Alderman Randy Schoon. Also, present was Attorney Tom Suits and City Clerk Sydney Bartelt.

**ABSENT:** Mayor Doug Knapp.

Alderman Busser made a motion to appoint Alderman Schoon as Mayor Pro-Tem for tonight's meeting, seconded by Alderman Sanders. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 05/06/2019 PUBLIC MEETING:**

Alderman Boothe made a motion to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes of the public meeting, seconded by Busser. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 05/06/2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:**

Alderman Sanders made a motion to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes of the regular city council meeting, seconded by Alderman Busser. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE APRIL 2019 TREASURER'S REPORT TO FILE FOR AUDIT:**

Alderman Grobe made a motion to accept the April 2019 treasurer's report to file for audit, seconded by Alderman Boothe. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF BILLS:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Schoon asked if there were any bills to add to the list of bills; Alderman Grobe added a bill for Nicor for \$102.09 for the Parks and Pool Department, Alderman Busser added a bill for Civil Materials for \$294.30 for the Street Department, Alderman Chesnut added a bill for Utilly LLC for \$2,500.00 for the administration/clerical department, Alderman Boothe added a bill for Ray O'Herron for \$324.05 for the police department, and Alderman Schoon added bills for USA Bluebook for \$178.37 for the water and sewer department. Alderman Boothe made a motion to accept the list of bills as amended, seconded by Alderman Chesnut. Mayor Pro-Tem Schoon requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Busser yes, Alderman Chesnut yes, Alderman Sanders yes, and Alderman Boothe yes. The motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Streets and Sidewalks:**

None.

**Finance & Ordinances:**

None.

### **Buildings and Grounds:**

Building permits were issued for solar panels, three fences, a pool, and a concrete slab.

### **Police:**

None.

### **Sanitation:**

None.

### **Parks & Pool:**

The Polo Pool will be opening this Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM. The pool will be closed for High School graduation on Sunday. The pool will have limited hours until school is out; then their normal hours will resume. Alderman Grobe would like to say thank you to Kendall and all of the guys from the Public Works Department; there was a leak at the pool underground which they were able to fix.

### **Water & Sewer:**

None.

### **City Clerk's Report:**

The Memorial Day Parade is next Monday May 27<sup>th</sup>. The Polo City Council has been invited to walk in the parade. If you plan on walking in the parade, please let me know by the end of this meeting. We have also been invited to take part in the Polo Town & Country Days Parade on June 16<sup>th</sup>. If you plan on participating in that parade, please let me know.

### **Police Chief's Report:**

Chief Kurt Cavanaugh said thank you for everything.

### **SAFETY AND ACCIDENT REPORTS:**

There was an accident two weeks ago where one police vehicle crashed into another police vehicle. An insurance claim has been submitted to IMLRMA.

### **COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Donna Peugh was here last year to complain about her neighbor's house that is in serious disrepair. She did go to Oregon to the Court House. She found out a company was going to buy the back taxes, but they backed out. The chimney is falling apart and falling into their yards. She does have pictures of the recent state of the house. There are racoons and birds that come in and out of the house. Alderman Boothe asked if Attorney Suits if he could look into what the other liens are on the property. Attorney Suits will have the title company look into this property and report back to the City Council.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### **A. Consideration & Possible Action on Ordinance 19-04, an Ordinance Adopting a Supplement to the City of Polo Code of Ordinances. (second reading)**

Alderman Boothe made a motion to approve ordinance 19-02, an ordinance adopting a supplement to the City of Polo Code of Ordinances, seconded by Alderman Chesnut. Mayor Pro-Tem Schoon requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Grobe yes, Alderman Busser yes, Alderman Chesnut yes, Alderman Sanders yes, and Alderman Boothe yes. The motion carried.

#### **B. Consideration & Possible Action on Antennas on top of the City of Polo Water Tower.**

City Clerk Bartelt stated that she was approved by DC Computers about possibly putting an antenna on top of our water tower. Unfortunately, in our current contract it states that no competitors are allowed during the span

of our contract with Rise Broadband. They also have a clause that states no competitors are allowed 12 months after the contract with Rise Broadband. Attorney Suits suggested asking to see how much that non-compete clause would cost to be bought out. City Clerk Bartelt stated that she asked Rise Broadband about the cost of the non-compete and she is waiting to hear back. The Rise Broadband contact stated that they would be willing to negotiate the contract to allow a competitor on top of the tower, but they are not allowed to be at the same frequency. Alderman Boothe said it would be good to have some competition in town.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Consideration & Possible Action on Adopting an Emergency Plan for the City of Polo.**

Alderman Sanders made a motion to adopt an emergency plan for the City of Polo as presented, seconded by Alderman Boothe. Mayor Pro-Tem Schoon requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Chesnut yes, Alderman Sanders yes, Alderman Boothe yes, Alderman Grobe yes, and Alderman Busser yes. The motion carried.

**B. Consideration & Possible Action on Increasing Residential and Commercial Sanitary Rates.**

When Moring Disposal asked for an increase for their commercial accounts; this threw some of our accounts where the City of Polo is paying for a portion of their garbage services. The Sanitation committee met recently to discuss the changes and possible upcoming changes from Moring Disposal. Their recommendation is to have a new ordinance written for a first reading for next meeting with rate changes to cover the City of Polo.

**OFFICIAL OATH OF OFFICE:**

At this time, City Clerk Bartelt gave the oath of office to Police Chief Jon Mandrell.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

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

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAYOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY CLERK:** \_\_\_\_\_

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