

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, AUGUST 1, 2016.

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, August 1, 2016.

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

ABSENT: Alderman David Ackeberg.

APPROVAL OF THE 7/18/16 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderperson Cheryl Galor made a motion to approve the July 18, 2016 minutes of the regular city council meeting as presented, seconded by Alderman Randy Schoon. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 7/18/16 CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

Alderman Randy Schoon made a motion to approve the 7/18/16 closed session minutes as presented, seconded by Alderman Jim Busser. Ayes 5, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Sidewalks:

None.

Finance & Ordinances:

Alderman Phil Peterson reported there will be a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Annual meeting held on August 9th at 4:00pm in City Hall.

Buildings and Grounds:

Alderman Jim Busser reported building permits issued for a fence, deck, remodel to entrance, garage and a replacement of a porch.

Police:

Chief Dennis Christen reported on attending a Narcan training today. Narcan is the drug to use for several drugs over doses and the State of Illinois has mandated the police officers carry this at all time. Narcan can reverse an opiate overdose instantly with very little risk.

Sanitation:

None.

Parks & Pool:

Aldersperson Cheryl Galor reported Vern Shetler & Judy Shipman are busy painting play ground equipment with the weekend's parks are being well used and look nice. The swimming pool is doing well and maybe next year they will start giving private swim lessons. Currently on Monday & Friday there is water aerobics given. As of August 17th the swimming pool hours are Monday – Thurs 6:00-8:00pm, Friday closed, Saturday & Sundays 1:00 – 5:00pm, with the last day on Labor Day from 1:00-5:00pm.

Water & Sewer:

None.

City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Corbitt reported the health, dental and life insurance coverage for the city employees will be presented at the September 6th council meeting.

Police Chief's Report:

None.

SAFETY AND ACCIDENT REPORTS:

Aldersperson Cheryl Galor reported a male adult required medical assistance at the emergency room due to a step on the ladder broke when he was getting out of the swimming pool on 7/20/16. An accident report was submitted to the IMLRMA. Last week they ordered all new steps and will replace all, just as a precaution, there is a weight limit on the steps which is 250lbs. Discussion on needing to post the weight limits. Susie will check with the IMLRMA to see what they recommend.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration & Possible Action on the Purchase of a New Police Squad Car.

Alderman Boothe reported this came up for discussion only. With the current revolving replacement squad program when they get a new car the next car does not come for 8 years so there is a long period of time between. He suggested we try to escalate the time period to maybe 6 years. Currently most of the issues are on Rob Jasper's car, and his squad is at the 6 year mark, with two years left. Alderman Schoon stated Ed Dyer is old school and he has to calls others for

assistance with newer models vehicles. Alderman Schoon stated Bob Fassler in Dixon is one of the best and did all the work for the ISP. He stated the sitting and idling is very hard of on any vehicles.

Alderman Boothe stated he feels we need to make this purchase this year, with discussion on maybe placing this on the next meeting agenda, with the City Clerk verifying something's with the auditors.

B. Consideration & Possible Action on the Contract for the Purchase of 113 E. Colden Street by the City of Polo and Michael Dearborn and Kent Dearborn.

Attorney Tom Suits prepared the contract for the purchase and sale of 113 E. Colden Street by the City of Polo from Michael and Kent Dearborn. Mayor Knapp reported they wanted to keep the heaters so he counter offered with \$47,500.00. If we do not want the heaters down the road the Dearborn's would buy them at a reasonable price. They also asked if we get new doors they would purchase them at a reasonable price. Alderman Busser said we could put a modern heater in for \$1,500.00 and save those heaters for use at a later date, and they converted them to propane.

Alderman Jim Busser made a motion to authorize Mayor Knapp to sign the contract for the purchase by the City of Polo of 113 E. Colden Street from Michael Dearborn and Kent Dearborn in the amount of \$47,500.00 and any other documents required, seconded by Alderperson Cheryl Galor. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion: Alderman Phillip Peterson yes, Alderman Jim Busser yes, Alderman Troy Boothe yes, Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes, Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman David Ackeberg absent. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A letter of resignation was submitted from Alderman Dave Ackeberg, but no action can be taken this evening due to it is not on the agenda.

Mayor Knapp stated we will act on this at the next meeting.

Alderman Troy Boothe made a motion to go into closed session to discuss employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline 2 (c) (1), at 7:26pm, seconded by Alderman Jim Busser. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion: Alderman Jim Busser yes, Alderman Troy Boothe yes, Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes, Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman David Ackeberg absent, Alderman Phillip Peterson yes. The motion carried.

The City Council adjourned out of the regular session while in closed session at pm on August 1, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Corbitt, MMC