

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, JANUARY 4, 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, January 4, 2016.

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

ABSENT: Alderman David Ackeberg and Alderperson Cheryl Galor.

APPROVAL OF THE 12/21/15 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Alderman Randy Schoon made a motion to accept the minutes of the 12/21/15 regular city council meeting as presented, seconded by Alderman Jim Busser. Ayes 4, nays 0. The motion carried by voice vote.

Alderperson Cheryl Galor arrived at 7:02pm.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Sidewalks:

Alderman Randy Schoon reported the drop off program for the Christmas trees will be held on Saturday, January 9th. Trees must be set at the curb by 8:00am or you can drop them off west of the Schmidt storage units on North Prairie Avenue before January 9th. Signage is posted for the drop off area. This program is provided by the Polo FFA and Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department.

Finance & Ordinances:

None.

Buildings and Grounds:

None.

Police:

None.

Sanitation:

None.

Parks & Pool:

None.

Water & Sewer:

None.

City Clerk's Report:

None.

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 a Request from the Polo Chamber of Commerce for their August 13, 2016 Car & Truck Show.

Consensus of the Polo City Council is to allow the request for use of various city properties and street closures for the Polo Chamber of Commerce 27th annual car show to be held on August 13, 2016. The request is the same as it has been in previous years.

B. Presentation of the 2015 Building Permits Issued by the City of Polo.

The City Council was presented with the 2015 building permits issued in the amount of \$226,530.00 of improvements completed for the year.

C. Consideration & Possible Action on Resolution 16-01 Release of Closed Session Minutes.

Alderman Troy Boothe made a motion to approve Resolution 16-01, the release of closed session minutes as presented, seconded by Alderperson Cheryl Galor. 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.

D. Consideration & Possible Action on Resolution 16-02, Destruction of Closed Session Tapes.

Alderman Troy Boothe made a motion to approve Resolution 16-02 destruction of the closed session tapes as presented, seconded by Alderperson Cheryl Galor. Mayor Knapp

requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Troy Boothe yes, Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes, Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman David Aceberg absent, Alderman Phillip Peterson yes, Alderman Jim Busser yes. The motion carried.

E. Consideration & Possible Action on Resolution 16-03, 2016 Maintenance of Streets.

Alderman Randy Schoon made a motion to approve resolution 16-03 maintenance of streets for the expenditure of \$35,000.00 of MFT funds as presented, seconded by Alderman Troy Boothe. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes, Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman David Aceberg absent, Alderman Phillip Peterson yes, Alderman Jim Busser yes, Alderman Troy Boothe yes. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Alderman Randy Schoon questioned why the fence is down at the Jim O'Connor property downtown where his building and façade was taken down with the hole in the ground being so deep. Alderman Schoon expressed concerns for someone falling off the sidewalk down into this area. City Clerk Susie Corbitt will call Mr. O'Connor to request a fence be put up.

Alderman Jim Busser asked about the fire on West Fulton Street and where we are at in getting this house in compliance. Attorney Suits stated we have now possibly found the location of the owner of this property. The local Police in that town can serve him notice wherever he is at, they can serve the person, the defendant or whoever lives there and any person who is at least 13 year of age living at the residence.

Alderman Troy Boothe made a motion to adjourn at 7:13pm from the regular city council meeting to go into closed session to discuss Personnel -Section 2 (c) (1) employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance, seconded by Alderman Jim Busser. Mayor Knapp requested the City Clerk call roll on the motion; Alderman Randy Schoon yes, Alderman David Aceberg absent, Alderman Phillip Peterson yes, Alderman Jim Busser yes, Alderman Troy Boothe yes, Alderperson Cheryl Galor yes. The motion carried.

At 8:18pm the Polo City Council adjourned out of both closed session and the regular city council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Corbitt, MMC