

The Palo City Council met in regular session at the Temporary Palo City Hall August 22, 2011. Mayor Paula Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council Members present: Trent Miller, Scott Pakingham, Tom Sanders, and Brian Beaty. Absent: None. Others present: Tom Watson, Trisca Smetzer, Glenn Lange. Mayor Gunter removed item 16 from agenda. Sanders moved approval of revised agenda, Beaty second. Motion carried. (4-0)

Miller moved approval of consent agenda: DAR and August 8, 2011 meeting minutes, Pakingham second. Motion carried. (4-0)

Doug Hanover, Lion's Club, presented update on Palo Fun Days.

Audience Comments: Dave Henecke discussed funds available for Senior Dining and Depot. Bill Zeller questioned outcome of discussion regarding sale of depot land. Henecke informed Council of rules and regulations of sale and inquired about town hall and informational meetings.

Fire Dept. Report: Council Review.

Beginning Balance-Checking	\$1,379.41
Deposits	\$725.99
Checks Issued	\$1254.97
Ending Balance-Checking	\$850.43
Beginning Balance-Savings	\$3,733.84
Deposits	\$3,241.45
Withdrawals	\$0.00
Ending Balance-Savings	\$6,975.29
Total Certificates of Deposit	\$7,953.70
Total Funds Available	\$15,779.42

Council discussed water ordinance. Mayor Gunter requested additional input to City Attorney by 09/07/11. First reading and/or further discussion 09/12/11. Watson informed Council of water committee's suggestion that rate and fee schedules pass by resolution. Miller concurred. Gunter encouraged Council to research other city water ordinances and fee schedules. Specific sections discussed 90.13, residential vs. domestic wordage, whether a disclaimer is needed to grandfather in work already completed, fee/fine parameters and the assessment of costs for damages.

Motion by Miller to approve Resolution 082211A Amendment Provisions to the City of Palo-City Hall and Community Center with Safe Room Contract to copy required provisions word for word, Beaty second. Roll call. Motion carried. (4-0)

Mayor Gunter explained options to fill Council vacancy. Motion by Pakingham to approve Resolution 082211B Calling Special Election In City Of Palo, To Be Held On Tuesday, 11/8/11, For The Purpose Of Submitting To Qualified Electors Of City Of Palo The Candidates To Fill A Vacancy Created By Resignation, Sanders second. Roll call. Motion carried. (4-0)

Motion by Beaty to approve ABD Renewal Application for Brogan's Inc., Miller second. Roll call. Motion carried. (4-0)

Mayor Gunter informed Council of appointment of Trent Miller as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion by Beaty to approve Resolution 082211D Corporate Resolutions and Agreement, Pakingham second. Roll call. Motion carried. (4-0)

Discussion of audit finding IVD10. Mayor informed Council work by Watson Service, Inc. must be approved by Mayor, Council, or City Administrator depending on amount of job for documentation. Clerk to provide Sanders with legal opinion when completed by City Attorney.

Audience Comments: Chad Packingham requested amount of highest bid for 108 Main St.; \$4066.66. Kevin Matt informed Council of load of dirt in ditch. Mayor instructed City Administrator to follow up on permit 08/23/11. Dave Henecke informed Council of big mound of dirt behind his house. Mayor will show Maintenance Superintendent at end of meeting. Bill Zeller informed Council "Stop Ahead" sign is broken, both Palo Church signs are leaning, he would like a Memorial Wall to honor the Military in City Hall, City of Palo does not have a petty cash fund, questioned if the City Attorney is working on the dirt dump, and questioned the terminology used by an outside organization that the area where City Hall and Fire Station are under construction is not the heart or hub of the City. Doug Hanover informed Council there is not an "End of Speed Limit" sign. Maintenance Superintendent will complete locate for sign 082311. Per Hanover, the P & Z Committee also does not agree with the heart of Palo term.

Old Business: Mayor and Council have been contacted by people interested in 48 Lincoln Dr. Publish, public hearing notices and go out for sealed bids. Special Council Meeting 08/31/11. Watson informed Council of City Engineers information on culverts. A map was provided to Council. Ensuing discussion on map, plat information required, permit process, inspections, drainage plan, ordinances, and further engineering information. City Administrator will have City Engineer e-mail Mayor that the 12" requirements are satisfactory for the area currently in question. Council discussion on electrical drop on green space near Main St. City Superintendent to contact ESCO for costs, City Administrator to contact Alliant to discuss meter requirements, community credits, etc. Could local electricians provide assistance? Discussion of running a line from existing building. Watson to pursue viability if other options do not work. Discussion of locating drop near cement on green space property. If electrical drop is possible, staff to create sign-up sheet and freewill donations will be accepted. City Superintendent and Watson informed Council of previous, current, and future work on manholes in Freese Ct. area. FEMA did not pay to camera all sewer lines.

New Business: City Superintendent will evaluate the visibility at the rear of 114 Vinton St. and alley for obstructions and the alley between Palo Coop. and Vinton St. for municipal infractions. Watson informed Council of mobile home park's interest in purchasing City water. Council and Mayor concurred this is premature as the system is not operational at this time. The time capsule will be filled at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on 10/6/11 @ 5:30 p.m. Staff to send resident e-mail to inform residents of 10/3/11 deadline to provide materials for time capsule. Council would like these items included: DVD and book on '08 flood, brick from "Old" Community Center, and photographs of School/"Old" Community Center. City Administrator will purchase cake, punch, and coffee for event. Beaty requested Freese Ct. added to list for seal coating at next opportunity. City Superintendent will apply cold patch near manhole. Elevations are available for manhole. Watson and City Superintendent will review and City Maintenance Staff will pursue. Discussion on options to meet compliance for temporary occupancy of "New" City Hall, funding from water grant, DNR requirements, and work schedules. Watson to provide cost information to Council.

Motion by Sanders to adjourn at 8:20 p.m., Beaty second. Motion carried. (4-0)

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City Clerk