

The Palo City Council met in regular session at Palo Council Chambers on January 18th, 2016. Mayor Tom Yock called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council Members present: Doug Hanover, Brian Beaty, Tom Sanders, Delmar Jellison and Ryan Scheckel. Others Present: City Attorney; Erek Sittig, Public Works Employee; Jennifer Cady, Solid Waste Agency; Joe Horaney.

Mayor Yock led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jellison requested to add Snow Removal to the agenda. Sanders suggested we discuss under old business. Sanders moved **approval of agenda**. Hanover second. Motion carried. (5-0).

Hanover moved **approval of consent agenda** bill approval, treasurer's report, DAR and Council meeting minutes from December 14th, 2015 with one correction to the minutes. Scheckel second. Motion carried (5-0).

Linn County Sheriff Report: Deputy reported 125 hrs actually worked 87 hours contracted with 23 calls for service. Scheckel questioned if there have been any issues with daytime burglaries vs. nighttime in surrounding small towns? Deputy stated he has not noticed any difference or more frequent activity however if you need further information you can contact Major Hansel.

Department Report: Maintenance Report submitted to Council. Sanders questioned what the issue was with the Palo Coop water usage. Cady stated they had a toilet that was running in the bottom float in the tank at the new building. Hanover questioned the Blairs Ferry Road Cutter Pump. Cady stated waiting on paperwork and then will be shipped out. Fire Department Report: Minutes and Treasurers Report submitted to Council. Discussion regarding pallet racking that for the new station. Beaty to check on some pallet racks that might be available and get back with Mayor Yock.

West Linn Community Group Palo Fun Days August 19th & 20th: Discussion regarding the Fireworks and Law Enforcement for Palo Fun Days. West Linn Community Group to get actual estimates and bring back to council next month.

Solid Waste Agency: Joe Horaney was present to discuss the recycling program through the Solid Waste Agency. Joe stated that City Carton was sold to Republic Services. When the RFP was let for Recycling services Republic was the only company that submitted a response. As of now the contract would increase the fees by 88%. The County will continue to pay the \$34.50 per ton; however the remaining fees will be based on population and passed onto the city. Palo's fee would be \$1837.05 per year for recycling. Garbage tipping fees are \$38 per ton compared to \$30.50 per ton for recycling. Council will review the options and place back on the agenda for decision. Clerk will contact Mr. Horaney with any questions and to update on status of Council's decision. This would be implemented July 1st, 2016.

Clean Up Days: Discussion regarding the clean-up days that is held annually for residents to dispose of furniture, clean metals etc... The City in past years has used community credits that were given by the Solid Waste Agency. The credits are no longer available to municipalities and therefore the cost for clean-up day would need to be budgeted in the future to be expended from the cities refuse account. Sanders motioned to continue to offer this to residents and to contact Rudd to schedule the date. Hanover second. Roll call Motion carried (5-0).

Budget Amendment FY 15/16: Motion by Beaty to approve Resolution #01-18-16B to set the public hearing for budget amendment for Monday February 15th, 2016. Sanders second. Roll call. Motion carried (5-0).

Old Business: Jellison discussed the snow removal policy and wanted to make sure we are taking care of the New Fire Station first. There was a large snow drift in front of the building, possibly look at putting up snow fence next year. Jellison stated that the sidewalks should have been cleared. Beaty stated that staff should take care of the parking lot and sidewalks ultimately it's the cities liability. Sanders stated this is the first year for the building and had no idea how bad it would drift. The maintenance staff can implement their policy to adapt. Discussion regarding hiring a part-time person for snow removal vs. contracting. Maintenance staff to discuss further with Mayor. Beaty and Sanders discusses the Ordinance states that if the snow is 2", s or more we plow. Jellison also discussed parking on Vinton Street. There has been an issue for years with parking on both sides of the street

and three vehicles have not moved since the snow fall. Stated the city has an ordinance for emergency snow removal and cars will be towed if not moved.

Motion by Hanover to **adjourn** at 7:49p.m. Beaty second. Motion carried (5-0).

Trisca Dix
City Clerk