

The Palo City Council met in regular session at Palo Council Chambers on April 20th, 2015. Mayor Tom Yock called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council Members present: Brian Beaty, Delmar Jellison, Doug Hanover and Tom Sanders. Absent: Ryan Scheckel. Others Present: City Attorney; Erek Sittig, Fire Chief; James Seely, Public Works Employee; Jennifer Cady.

Mayor Yock led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Yock asked for a moment of silence for Firefighter Stephen Cook.

Hanover moved **approval of agenda** Sanders second. Motion carried. (4-0).

Sanders moved **approval of consent agenda** bill approval, treasurer's report, DAR and Council meeting minutes from March 16th, 2015 and March 30th, 2015. Jellison second. Motion carried. (4-0).

Audience Comments: Bill Zeller stated he has a couple questions with street resurfacing but will discuss later.

Linn County Sheriff Report: Deputy Officer stated there were 87 hours requires and 108 actual hours worked. Jellison requested if we could enforce the large trucks gong over the 1st Street Bridge. Beaty stated that according to the DOT weighted bridge map it's not listed. Deputy stated in order to enforce tickets there should be a designated truck route and signs that state not a truck route.

Department Report: West Linn Community Group – Delmar Jellison stepped down from Council presented the City Council and the Fire Department each with a \$50 donation to go towards plantings in remembrance of Stephen Cook. Mayor and Fire Chief thanked Jellison for the kind donation.

Maintenance Department: Council questioned the issue with the pump. Cady stated the sensor was going off on the pump so they pulled it and sent it in Janda that thinks it was the lube on the pump setting it off. Seems to be working fine now. Fire Department Report: Chief James Seely thanked the Mayor and Council for the moment of silence in remembrance of Firefighter Cook. It's been nice to see the community and other departments reach out in honor of Steve.

Urban Renewal Plan Amendment: Hanover motion to open Public Hearing at 6:43PM, Sanders second. Motion approved (4-0). Sanders stated this is our Urban Renewal Amendment so that we can certify TIF funds for projects. Motion by Beaty to close the Public Hearing at 6:50PM. Jellison seconded. Motion carried (4-0). Motion by Hanover to approve Resolution **04-20-15A** the Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Palo Urban Renewal Area. Beaty second. Roll call. Motion carried (4-0).

ACC Road Paving Street Repair: Sanders motion to open Public Hearing at 6:53PM, Hanover second. Motion approved (4-0). Sanders stated this is to award the contract for the Dry Creek Paving project. Beaty stated there is no drainage with the project it is to asphalt the first phase of the Dry Creek Development nothing has been done to these roads since it was established. Motion by Hanover to close the Public Hearing at 6:57PM. Sanders seconded. Motion carried (4-0). Sanders motioned to approve **Resolution #04-20-15B** to award the bid to the low bidder Kluesner Construction in the amount of \$194,480.50. Beaty second. Roll call. Motion carried (4-0).

Street Re-surfacing: Quote from Prairie Road Builders to seal coat sections of the town. This is a quote for Pleasant Creek Estates including pea gravel vs. lime stone. Beaty stated round rock will make it better and last longer over time. Jellison agreed he asked the difference between the two and the pea gravel will hold up longer over time. Sanders questioned the time frame the contractor would be able to start as typically the seal coat was done in the fall and would like to see it done in June or July so it adheres better. Beaty discussed the areas in town that we should look at for seal coating this year along with the drainage projects and roads that will be asphalted. Jellison to get with contractors to go over other roads in town that is not going to be asphalted and get a bid for seal coat.

Fire Station Change Order #7: Council discussed the punch list items that have not been completed as of yet on the new Municipal Fire Station by Construction Concepts. Beaty stated the grading should be done ditch to ditch that has not been completed. Hanover stated he was in the building right before the meeting and there was insulation falling down and the service door you can still pull open when locked. Mayor Yock asked City Attorney what could be done at this point. Construction Concepts has not fulfilled the completion of the projects nor have they submitted a change order for time extension

since February. The Architect can go through the building make a list of items and give them 10 days to complete. Council agreed that they would like to see the Fire Department get into the building however it needs to be completed properly first. After further discussion motion by Beaty to not approve pay application #7 and pay application #8 until work is corrected and completed. Sanders second. Voice vote. Motion carried (4-0).

Hy-Vee Liquor License- Wedding May 23rd: Motion by Sanders to approve the Liquor license for Hy-Vee on May 23rd, 2015. Beaty second. Motion carried (4-0).

Iowa Codification: Motion by Beaty to recodify and adopt the City of Palo's current ordinance. Sanders second. Motion carried (4-0).

Easement on Haible Property: Motion by Sanders to approve **Resolution #04-20-15C** of no public benefit and releasing the easement on the property at 812 Iowa Ave as filed with the Linn County Recorder in Book 2067, Page 193. Hanover second. Roll call. Motion carried (4-0).

Public Hearing for FY16 Budget: Sanders motion to open public hearing at 7:48PM. Hanover second. Motion carried (4-0). Motion by Beaty to close public hearing at 7:49PM. Sanders second. Motion carried (4-0). Motion by Hanover to approve **Resolution #04-20-15D** adopting the FY 2015-16 City Budget as published. Sanders second. Roll call. Motion carried (4-0).

Audience Comments: Bill Zeller questioned if the city would be willing to replace two trees that were planted in front of the Hillary Zeller Pavilion that were removed due to the water project. Council will look into. Zeller questioned if the city could place white lines on the corner of 1st Street, Blairs Ferry and Palo Marsh Road to identify the stopping area at the stop signs. Zeller questioned the water that he is getting from runoff into his garage and wanted to know when the city plans on road repair on 2nd street. Council stated they are working on road repair throughout the town. Zeller also questioned the dodge truck and asked if the city was looking at a smaller S10. Council stated they have been looking into purchasing another vehicle to replace the dodge truck.

Old Business: Beaty questioned if the ball diamond light had been fixed. Mayor Yock stated they are working on replacing. Jellison stated he talked to a company regarding installing drain pipe instead of placing a box culvert on Main Street for the Vinton Street drainage. The pipe would be approximately 265 feet long it is double wall and can be fused together. Beaty stated that the cost may be close in comparison to the box culvert considering the length of pipe needed. Council will get with Matt Shock and discuss both options. Jellison stated that there has been vandalism in the park again and would request the city price security cameras. Council agreed to get quotes and put on May's agenda for consideration.

New Business: The city has four lights in town that were previously the county but was turned over to the city when the properties were annexed into the city limits. Three of these lights are burnt out and the responsibility of the city to repair/replace. The City received a quote from Premiere Electric. Sanders requested the city get a quote from Alliant Energy to see what it would cost to replace these lights and add to the May Council meeting agenda.

Motion by Hanover to **adjourn** at 8:36p.m., Jellison second. Motion carried. (4-0).

Trisca Dix
City Clerk