

**CITY OF PALACIOS
CITY COUNCIL
311 Henderson Avenue
Palacios, TX 77465
March 11, 2014**

MINUTES

7:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Mayor John Sardelich called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Council Members present: Mayor Sardelich, Johnny Tran, Judy Chavez, Andy Erdelt, Ed Schulze, Gary Hafermick, and Troy Lewis.

Council Members absent: None

City Staff present: City Manager David Kocurek, Police Chief David Miles and City Secretary Kerri Berger.

Invocation – Council Member Troy Lewis
Pledge of Allegiance – Council Member Judy Chavez
Pledge to Texas Flag – Council Member Judy Chavez
Pledge to Palacios Flag – Council Member Judy Chavez

Special Presentation: Letter of Appreciation for Mr. Robert Porter
Mayor Sardelich read the letter for Mr. Porter and will hand deliver the hard copy to him.

Special Presentation: Mr. Michael Walden with Senior Living Properties -- Update on the Palacios Health Care Facility

Mr. Walden addressed Council and discussed the recent fire at the nursing home. Extends a heartfelt “Thank-You” from our organization for the help received during and after the fire. A lightening strike caused the fire and completely fried the electric system at the nursing home. Looks like 60 – 90 days to reinstate the electricity. 28 residents were relocated to Lake Jackson, 10 at our local hospital – most of those will eventually go to Lake Jackson, some to La Porte. Thankfully, there were no injuries; everyone is accounted for and ready to get home when we are ready.

Visitor/Citizen Forum

1. Darren Ryncheck, on the board of Palacios Little League: Since the Rec Center is up for sale, the PLL is in limbo with our land. Looking for options and would ask the City and anyone else for help or options.
2. Bruce Hodge, would like to know if the Rec Center meeting tomorrow is open to the public? Mr. Schulze answered yes.

Items to be considered:

1. Discuss and consider appointing Mr. Robert Garrett to the Airport Committee. (City Manager)
Mayor Sardelich moved to appoint Mr. Garrett to the Airport Committee.
Council Member Schulze seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.
2. Discuss and consider appointing Mr. Travis Stall to the Airport Committee. (City Manager)
Council Member Erdelt moved to appoint Mr. Stall to the Airport Committee.
Council Member Lewis seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.
3. Discuss and consider approving Resolution 2014-R-3 entering into a Maintenance Agreement with TxDOT. (City Manager)
Council Member Schulze moved to approve the resolution as presented.

Council Member Chavez seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.

4. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #2 for the Sewer System Rehabilitation Project. (City Manager)
Council Member Schulze moved to approve the change order as presented.
Council Member Lewis seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.

5. Discuss and consider approving Lease with Starhawk AeroSystems. (City Manager)
Council Member Tran moved to approve the lease as presented.
Council Member Schulze seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.

6. Discuss and consider action to approve an Equipment Lease between Matagorda County and the City of Palacios for DRE Voting Machine for the May 2014 election. *Considiera acción para aprobar un contrato de arrendamiento de equipos entre el Condado de Matagorda y la Ciudad de Palacios para DRE máquina de votación para la elección de Mayo de 2014.* (City Manager)
Council Member Schulze moved to approve the equipment lease as presented.
Council Member Chavez seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.

7. Discuss and consider action to approve consent agenda items:
a. Minutes of February 25, 2014 Workshop and Regular Meeting
Council Member Erdelt moved to approve the consent agenda item as presented.
Council Member Tran seconded.
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.

Executive Session:

In accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, (Open Meetings Law) the Council may go into Executive (closed) session in order to:
Consult with its attorney (551.071)
Discuss Real Estate transaction (551.072)
Deliberation regarding prospective gifts or donation (551.073)
Discuss personnel matters (551.074)
Deliberation regarding security devices (551.076)
Discuss economic development negotiations (551.087)


Action on Executive Session:

Adjournment

Council Member Schulze moved to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. Council Member Tran seconded.
Motion carried.



John C. Sardelich, Mayor



David Kocurek, City Manager

