

**CITY OF PALACIOS
CITY COUNCIL
311 Henderson Avenue
Palacios, TX 77465
May 27, 2014**

MINUTES

Council Workshop Meeting

Mayor Sardelich called the regular meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

City Council Present: Mayor Sardelich, Andy Erdelt, Johnny Tran and Troy Lewis
City Council Absent: Ed Schulze, Gary Hafernick and Judy Chavez

1. Discuss and consider City Manager's annual evaluation and performance review.

Various methods of annual evaluation, performance review and scoring criteria were discussed by city council.

Adjourned workshop at 6:45.

Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Sardelich called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Councilmembers present: Mayor Sardelich, Johnny Tran, Judy Chavez, Ed Schulze, Troy Lewis, Gary Hafernick and Andy Erdelt.
Councilmembers absent: None
City Staff present: City Manager David Kocurek and Police Chief David Miles

Invocation – Councilmember Schulze
Pledge of Allegiance- Mayor Sardelich
Pledge to Texas Flag – Mayor Sardelich
Pledge to Palacios Flag – Mayor Sardelich

Visitor/Citizen Forum

1. Mary Crocker, board member Palacios Economic Development Corporation, strongly recommends David Kocurek as a replacement for Bruce Webb on the Palacios Economic Development Corporation Board. States he has done an outstanding job as the City liaison and she wishes for him to become a voting member.
2. Judy Chavez, manager of a thrift store for the FOEC (Friends of Elder Citizens), wishes for City Manager David Kocurek to work with Police Chief David Miles to set up a drop-off at the police station for illegal items that are presented for donation at the thrift store. (i.e. medication, drugs and guns)
3. Brandy West, citizen, wishes to thank everyone for voting for the State Farm Opportunity Initiative. States we were awarded \$25,000.00. Wishes to invite everyone to the block party (date and time to be announced) where the check will be presented.

City Manager Report

1. Response to May 13 Council Meeting Visitors Comments.
 - a. 104 Main Street Driveway
City Manager states after reviewing the site, that he informed Mr. Smith that it is City policy when updating culverts to use plastic in lieu of concrete. States he informed the citizen that if he wishes to purchase a concrete culvert himself, that the City would load it up and set it for him. States the driveway is in good shape.
 - b. Commercial Water Rates
City Manager reviewed the commercial water rates for various cities and states that ours are in fact higher. States the City will be working, now that we have paid off the 2004 Water Bond, to find a happy medium in regards to the City water rates.
2. Citizen's request for street name signs on City streets.
City Manager states he will be looking into adding funds to the upcoming budget to update street poles and signs.

3. Discuss the vacancy on the PEDC (Palacios Economic Development Corporation) Board. City Manager states that if anyone knows of an individual wishing to serve on the board to forward that individuals name to Pam Oliver and she will forward to Board President Jan Pierce.

Items to be considered:

1. Discuss and consider appointing a Councilmember to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Troy Lewis moved to appoint Councilmember Ed Schulze as Mayor Pro-Tem.
Councilmember Judy Chavez seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
2. Discuss and consider action to approve consent agenda items:
 - a. Minutes of May 13, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.
 - b. Minutes of May 20, 2014 Special Council Meeting.
 - c. Excuse the absences of Councilmember Andy Erdelt from the May 13, 2014 Council Meeting and Councilmembers Gary Hafernick and Andy Erdelt from the May 20, 2014 Special Council Meeting.
 Councilmember John Sardelich moved to approve the consent agenda items.
Councilmember Judy Chavez 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)
1. Discuss and consider City Manager's annual evaluation and performance review. Deliberation regarding security devices (551.076)
Discuss economic development negotiations (551.087)

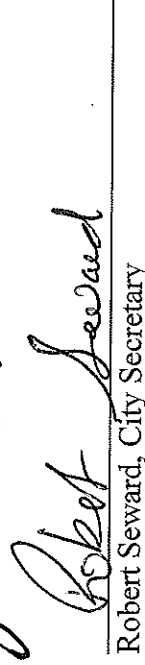
City Council went into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m.
City Council returned to chambers at 8:26 p.m.

Action on Executive Session:

1. Discuss and consider City Manager's annual evaluation and performance review. Councilmember Schulze moved to accept new performance evaluation procedure. Councilmember Tran seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, motion carried.

Councilmember Lewis moved to adjourn at 8:32 p.m.
Councilmember Erdelt seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, motion carried.


John C. Sardelich, Mayor


Robert Seward, City Secretary

