

**CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL – CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009, 6:30 P.M.**

Attendance: City Commissioners Bruce Agrella, Jim Sohm, Jules Clavadetscher, Mike Lies, Elsa Duford, Fred Funke. Mayor Lou Marchello presiding. City Attorney and Acting City Manager James Raymond present.

Mayor Lou Marchello called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA: Motion made by Commissioner Clavadetscher, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve the public hearing agenda as proposed.

PUBLIC HEARING - TO GET PUBLIC INPUT ON COMMUNITY PRIORITIES FOR FEDERAL STIMULUS MONEY IF RECEIVED: Acting City Manager James Raymond provided the highlights of the stimulus bill and distributed a copy of the article published in the Missoulian recently. He explained that this public hearing is being held to find out what projects the public is interested in getting completed using the stimulus money. There are millions of dollars allocated for federal and state highway projects only but not for city streets. However, there are funds available for water and sanitary sewer projects for cities. The City of Polson was approved for \$95,000 toward upgrading the mains at Riverside Park extending to Sixth Avenue West, which is a project that is ready to construct. The stimulus funds are being channeled through the state agency revolving fund. The City applied for \$750,000, half of which is a .75% loan and half is a grant, to upgrade the Hillcrest Reservoirs through the TSEP program. The distribution of the stimulus money is regulated by laws and politics and final decision will be made by the legislature. It was recently learned that there is \$850,000 available to the State of Montana from the Department of Energy for fuel-efficient projects, which the city will be applying for. He was informed that this is the first round of allocations and they will continue and would likely include city road improvements and community development projects later. The projects that were previously identified were, water storage and treatment, the Main Street water line replacement project, \$1.8 million; sewage treatment facility, \$8 million; storm water treatment which for the most part is currently unregulated; and the waterfront walk path extending from Riverside Park to Sacajawea Park, \$1 million. Cindy Willis spoke in support of the Streetscape Project and for the first time displayed drawings of the latest engineer's conception of downtown Polson, prepared by Sherri Johnson of TD&H. She noted that it shows the bulbout on the corners of the intersecting avenues on Main Street, with no parking loss, and designed for easy plowing access as requested by the City Street Department staff. A survey was done by Carstens surveying which is required for the bid package to show that the initial design is completed and the bid package will be ready by next week. They are searching for funding to lower the cost for the property owners included in the Main Street Project. Commissioner Clavadetscher noted that the Main Street Project is on the priority list as number two. Cindy Willis expressed their appreciation for the City's support for this project. They are not taking anything for granted and are looking for any avenues to apply for grants. She noted that Lee Manicke and Becky Dupuis are members of the Streetscape Task Force Committee and are also present tonight. Commissioner Duford asked and Cindy Willis clarified that the cost of the project will impact the Main Street property owners in the Special Improvement District for any amount over \$750,000 of total project cost. The original bid will be for five blocks, which might be reduced depending on the bid amounts they receive and if the area is reduced it might eliminate the two private residences who have spoken out with their concerns about being able to

afford their share of the cost of the project. Lee Manicke clarified that the special improvement district is proposed at \$750,000 and the Community Transportation Enhancement Program (CTEP) funds from Montana Department of Transportation is estimated at \$140,000, so their total funds to date is \$890,000. Mark Evertz expressed his concerns about the terrible condition of the streets in the City of Polson, which he believes is cutting down on the number of tourists visiting Polson. The street conditions are creating a hazard for cars and it is a serious safety issue. Mayor Marchello replied that there are restrictions to the types of projects that can be done with these funds. Becky Dupuis said she realizes that street repair requires a lot of money that the city doesn't have but suggested that the City of Polson create a long-range plan to start improving the base of the streets; even if they create a 30 year plan, at least the residents can look forward to future improvements.

The public hearing was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA: Mayor Marchello noted that agenda item #7 was requested to be removed from the agenda. **Motion made by Commissioner Sohm, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve the proposed agenda with agenda item number seven removed. Motion carried unanimously.**

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA – A. CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 6, 2009 – B. CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 7, 2009 – C. WAIVE OPEN CONTAINER LAW FOR THE TEN SPOONS' WINERY TABLE BY THE TERRACE FLOWER SHOP TO SAMPLE THEIR FLATHEAD CHERRY WINE DURING THE MAIN STREET CHERRY FESTIVAL ON JULY 18 & 19- 6 A.M. TO 6 P.M. – D. CLAIMS, APRIL 1-15: Motion made by Commissioner Funke, seconded by Commissioner Sohm, to approve the consent agenda items A. through C. Commissioner Lies asked that a correction be made to the meeting minutes of April 6 on page 5 that the City has no requirement to hook up to city water. Commissioner Duford asked to include in the April 7 meeting minutes that no public attended the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously with the corrections to the minutes as stated to be included.**

MARINERS LEASE OF LEGION BALLFIELD: Parks Superintendent Karen Sargeant addressed the City Commission stating that the Mariners Lease at O'Malley Park that was presented to them at the February 18th meeting had been revised. She noted that she was out of town when that meeting was held, otherwise she would have attended the meeting to answer any questions. The lease was modified to address the concerns that Walt Timmerman of Fish Wildlife & Parks mentioned in his letter. She clarified that the park is open to the general public, anyone can call her office and reserve the ball field on available dates according to the game schedule that she will keep updated. This is the same procedure she uses for the picnic shelters with a requirement to leave the parks facility in as clean condition as they found it. She noted that she asked Walt Timmerman for a new sign for the facility which it needs badly. The bathrooms are locked the same as other parks and is open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. The field is locked at night to avoid vandalism on the ball fields which the Mariners, a private organization of volunteers, spend a lot of time maintaining and keeping the field in excellent condition. As in other parks when the bathrooms are out of order they have to be locked and are not accessible by the public until they are repaired. A section of the field had a horseshoe pitching area, which she plans to relocate where there is room for a tournament size facility. She explained that the lease with the Mariners was modified and it is actually a maintenance agreement to keep the field up

to standard and they do an excellent job. There is no exclusive use clause in the agreement. The numerous and significant improvements that the Mariners have made to the park at their expense over the years have become City property and have improved the viability of the park and benefit the general public. She asked approval to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement with the mariners. **Motion made by Commissioner Clavadetscher, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the amended Mariners Lease of the Legion Ballfield as proposed with the additional conditions, including a pre-scheduling requirement to reserve the field through Karen Sargeant, Parks Superintendent, and authorize City Manager James Raymond to sign the lease on behalf of the City.** Karen Sargeant clarified that the concession stand will continue to be locked to maintain the security of the inventory, but it can be utilized by other concessionaires through prior arrangements; the same way they have been shared in other parks. She explained that Babe Ruth will share the Legion ball field and that their members progress into the Mariners team and they have provided a number of scholarships to participants. It is a good opportunity for the children and their program benefits the children and the city. Commissioner Clavadetscher commended the Mariners for the work they have done on the Legion ball field, and are truly an asset to the community. Commissioner Duford commented that the Babe Ruth teams do not use the Legion fields but use the Kerr Dam field. She would also like to add that the call was from the coach and president of the Babe Ruth League, Alan Anderson. He wanted to clarify that they don't use the Mariners Field except on one occasion they used the Mariners Field for a tournament. She asked when the water will be metered in the parks if the Mariners will pay for that cost. Karen Sargeant replied that there are not many parks that use city water for irrigation and they will work that out when the time comes. Commissioner Lies noted that O'Malley field was donated to the City of Polson for the enjoyment of the public. Karen Sargeant replied that she is scheduling the public use of the park and it is open for the enjoyment of the public. Water & Sewer Superintendent Tony Porrazzo explained that they are working on installing meters because a recent study analysis shows there is a significant amount of water that is not being billed out. He wanted them to be aware that there might be a charge for that water use in the future. Dan Rausch spoke on behalf of the Mariners, stating that it is an honor to take care of the field and their members consider it an investment in the community, which is utilized by the City community and draws people into Polson through its tournaments for twelve different teams and generates revenue. The lease agreement is for maintenance of the ball field and leaves the facility open for other individuals to use also. He expressed concern if in the future they would be charged for water use since they are spending a significant amount of time and resources in maintaining the field and coaching the teams. **Motion carried unanimously.**

AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF LAND ADJACENT TO RESERVOIR IN EAST HILLSIDE ADDITION – SECOND APPRAISAL: Water & Sewer Superintendent Tony Porrazzo stated that the second appraisal is \$61,000 which is \$1,000 higher than the first appraisal. He feels that purchasing this land is important for future protection of the area around the water tank and noted that there are two acres of land around the other city reservoirs. **Motion made by Commissioner Sohm, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to authorize purchase of Tract 2 East Hillside Addition #3, land, which is adjacent to the reservoir as proposed.** Commissioner Duford asked if the questions from last meeting have been answered and if the City Commission authorized getting another appraisal. Commissioner Sohm replied that he made the motion to table the agenda item for this meeting to get a second appraisal and he understood it was the council's request to get another appraisal. Commissioner Duford stated that the existing easement provides two places to access that water reservoir and provides a thirty-foot easement. She doesn't think it is necessary to buy the land and spend \$60,000 when

the easement already exists to protect the reservoir, instead the money could be spent for other water projects that are needed. Commissioner Duford questioned and City Attorney James Raymond clarified that they will make sure that the title is free and clear before committing to purchase the land. Bob Williams stated that he is familiar with the land because it is near his property. He studied the easement and believes that the City has all the necessary access it needs. He questioned why the City would want to spend \$60,000 on the land when the money could be used for other projects. He suggested that other provisions could be put in place to protect and maintain the reservoir site at less cost than purchasing the land. Commissioner Duford pointed out that Don Claffey gave the City of Polson easements in East Hillside Addition #3 and dedicated parkland near the water reservoir that restricts private roadways. She felt the easements provide sufficient protection for the water reservoir and suggested fencing the tank in lieu of purchasing the property for \$60,000. She didn't feel the council had enough time to review the information because the second appraisal was not part of the agenda packet and questioned if they should vote on this item. James Raymond confirmed that he was instructed by the council to put this item on this agenda. He explained that the appraisal was received on Thursday afternoon and distributed to them as soon as possible. Commissioner Clavadetscher called for a vote on the question. **Motion carried. Commissioner Duford opposed.**

REVIEW JAG APPLICATION TO HIRE POLICE OFFICER: This item was removed from the agenda.

LAKE COUNTY SPAY/NEUTER TASK FORCE IS SEEKING PARTIAL FUNDING FOR CLINIC MAY 30 & 31: Linda Crawford and Karen Duty spoke on behalf of the Lake County Spay/Neuter Task Force stated that they represent a group of volunteers concerned with over population of animals. They are asking the City to join Lake County and the Tribes in donating funds to provide a free no cost clinic to spay and neuter dogs and cats. It is becoming apparent that because of the economy there are less people who spay and neuter their pets at 6 months. These clinics have proven very popular and curb the population of abandoned animals. They have two clinics a year one in May and the other in October and are asking for \$500 for each event. **Motion made by Commissioner Funke, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve a contribution of \$500 to the Lake County Spay/Neuter Task Force for the spay and neuter clinic to be held in May.** James Raymond explained that the October donation would be considered as part of next year's budget, which has not been finalized at this time. The Police Chief agreed to donate this request from the Animal Control budget from the Purchased Service line that is allocated for veterinary expenses and they are asking that this be a recurring obligation in the City's budget. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PLACE LATE USER FEES ON ADJACENT LOTS WHICH BENEFIT FROM STORM SEWER LINES INSTALLED BY DON & KEN SMITH: Dale Nelson spoke on behalf of Ken and Don Smith who paid for the installation and extension of a storm sewer line and serves lots 1 through 6 Block 4 of Polson Heights Addition. He is asking if the ordinance utilized by developers for cost sharing of water and sewer main line extensions they have installed might be applicable to this storm sewer line. He explained that the lots are small and are engineered so that direct runoff goes into the storm sewer system. They would like to recoup part of the cost, which would be less than \$900 per lot and provide a means of adequate drainage as required by City regulations. **Motion made by Commissioner Agrella, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to place late user fees on adjacent lots which benefit from storm sewer lines installed by Don & Ken Smith for lots 1 through 6 Block 4 of the Polson Heights Addition.** Commissioner Lies noted that the City's ordinance will need to be modified. City Attorney

James Raymond clarified that they can vote to approve this as a one time request and then modify the ordinance at the next meeting for future requests. **Motion carried unanimously.**

POLSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S ANNUAL REPORT: Commissioner Clavadetscher explained that he is a member of the Polson Redevelopment Agency and prepared the annual report since he lost contact with Nathan Pierce who initially agreed to prepare the annual report. He explained that the committee is required to prepare the report and to publish a notice that the report is available. He explained that the Tax Increment Financing District developed by the PRA has been a contentious issue and some people are adamantly opposed to it. At one point the Lake County Commissioners refused to collect the revenue. The base year was established at an approximate tax value of \$1.381 million dollars and was expected to increase when property values increased due to improvements made in the district. That tax increment increase was to be made available for future improvements in the district, through low interest loans. Because of bad timing of when the TIF base year was established, no revenues have been generated to date. The year following the base year was established the property tax was reduced and lowered the tax value below the base level, to \$1.320 million in 2008. Since then new appraisals have been conducted they hope to start generating some revenue. New members are needed for the five-member PRA committee, which was established following the Montana Code Annotated, through Resolution #739 and Ordinance #559 and establishing the TIF base year in May 2000. Blighted areas were created and included Main Street and the old rail yard on 7th Avenue East and those areas can be improved and enhanced using TIF funds. The ordinance exists and the effort is ongoing and may soon be a benefit. He wanted to make the City Commission aware of the possibilities we have through the TIF. Mayor Marchello noted that the legislature did away with business commercial equipment tax, which was included in the base year and Whitefish has benefited greatly from their TIF program. Lee Manicke pointed out that the fiscal year for the PRA ends on September 30th and the report should be changed to reflect the correct period of time. He asked for a detailed accounting of the \$2,500 budget allocation to them from the City. Commissioner Clavadetscher explained that the budget line item is identified as economic development and since October 2002 PRA has not received any funds but from the City. City Clerk Aggi Loeser clarified that the PCDA received the FY06-07 and FY07-08 \$2,500 a year economic development budgeted allocation. Lee Manicke expressed his concern that the City Commission does not realize that this TIF district is taking tax revenue from the city and schools. He pointed out that the annual report is 6 ½ months late and the committee is not doing their job. He feels that the mechanics of the PRA is wrong headed and the 19.95 mills for the municipal levy, will diminish funds to the police department and increase taxes for school levies. The TIF is a colossal disaster and if looked at closely are not as successful in Whitefish and Kalispell as they think. He believes that the PCDA absconded with \$30,000 when they sold a building. There is a lack of oversight and both PRA and PCDA should submit an annual budget and strongly believes that the committee hasn't done their job. Rory Horning asked that the PRA Annual Report be put on the City's website because it is of interest to prospective buyers of parcels in the TIF/Urban Renewal District.

ESTABLISH STORMWATER UTILITY – AUTHORIZE CITY STAFF TO PROCEED – SET HEARING 5/18/2009 AT 6:30 P.M. PURSUANT TO MCA 69-7-111: Acting City Manager James Raymond informed the City Commission that if they wish to proceed with creation of a storm water utility, the DEQ requires that a notice be published about the City's intent and that a public hearing is scheduled and a mailing of the notice to those affected. Their initial proposal is for an \$8 per month flat fee, which is a 26% increase of the basic water and sewer rate of \$27.99 for 5,000 gallons. They feel it is a place to start and with council approval

they would proceed with the notice publication and mailing. Commissioner Clavadetscher expressed his preference to provide more information on any proposed water and sewer increases separate from the storm water utility fee that is being proposed tonight and treat them as two separate issues. **Motion made by Commissioner Sohm, seconded by Commission Agrella, to schedule a public hearing on May 18, 2009 at 6:3P.M.; to hear public comment to establish a storm water utility pursuant to MCA69-7-111. The motion was amended by Commissioner Sohm, seconded by Commissioner Agrella to schedule a public hearing on May 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comment on the City's intent to establish a storm water utility pursuant to MCA 69-7-111. Motion carried unanimously.** Council requested more information in writing before the meeting. James Raymond reminded the commission that there is a storm water map that was previously prepared at Jay Henry's request and is posted on the wall at City Hall. The existing system is not cohesive and it is scattered throughout the city with discharge into the city sewer system and into Flathead Lake. The revenue that would be collected for the storm water utility would be placed in a separate fund to be used when sufficient funds have been accumulated in about ten years. They feel this would be a good place to start.

RESOLUTION #985 – RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ANNEX BROWN'S LAKEVIEW TRACTS – WHOLLY SURROUNDED LAND: City Manager James Raymond informed the City Commission that there are seven tracts of land with five owners whose property is wholly surrounded by city property and asked them to approve Resolution #985, a resolution of intent to annex Brown's Lakeview Tracts, which would start the annexation process by scheduling a public hearing on May 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. and mail notices to the property owners. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve Resolution #985 a resolution of intent to annex real property into the corporate limits of the City of Polson pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 2, Part 45 of the Montana Codes, wholly surrounded land in Brown's Lakeview Tracts and to hold a public hearing on Monday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. on this resolution. Motion carried unanimously.**

BAYVIEW DRIVE UTILITY CONNECTIONS – WHETHER TO IMPLEMENT A PLAN OF ACTION TO ENFORCE HOOK UPS: City Manager James Raymond stated that Resolution #658 was approved in 1995 which required the owners on Bayview Drive to hook up to city water and sewer within two years. Over the past 14 years the owners were notified of the requirement and there are still some parcels that are not connected to city services. He asked if the commission wants him to take action through district court where they are asked for specific performance to get hooked up to city services and pay the required fees. Commissioner Lies stated that it was a sewer project and there is no ordinance to require hook up to city water but the time has come for them to hook up to city sewer because their septic systems are getting older. It was clarified that no impact fees would be charged and the City's hook up fee would be approximately \$1,000. **Motion made by Commissioner Clavadetscher, seconded by Commissioner Lies, to direct the City manager to enforce Resolution #658 through District Court. Motion carried unanimously.**

CITY COMMISSION APPROVAL FOR THREE CITY MANAGER FINALISTS TO BE INTERVIEWED ON FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2009 - AUTHORIZE SCHEDULING & EXPENDITURE: Commissioner Sohm explained that the expenses for the open house will be about \$200, security checks will cost around \$100 and total travel expenses will be no more than \$1,500. The three finalists who are being recommended to be interviewed by the Search Committee are Lawrence Anderson, from Missoula, he was a Missoula County Commissioner and is a field representative for Denny Rheburg, and was an Administrator for five years and has

excellent references. Ken Decker is from Maryland and originally from Libby, MT, and would like to move back to Montana, he is currently a City Manager in a city of similar population as Polson. Todd Crossitt is from Idaho, and is a Bonner County Commissioner, he worked in Alaska as a consultant and contractor. The applicants are requested to provide receipts for their expenses up to \$500 each. The interviews are scheduled for Friday, May 1, at 9 a.m. 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with a half hour lunch. The interviews will be followed by an executive session of the city commission where they will discuss the salary level for the chosen applicant. Following that meeting the successful applicant will be given the contract with duties and benefits and given one week to make a decision. Mayor Marchello commended the Search Committee for doing an outstanding job. **Motion made by Commissioner Sohm, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to approve the three City Manager finalists to be interviewed on May 1 and to authorize the expenditures of approximately \$1,800 for associated expenses. Motion carried unanimously.**

INSTRUCT CITY MANAGER TO ENTER CITY'S VOTE FOR FLATHEAD IRRIGATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONER FOR DIVISION 1: Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Agrella, to authorize the City Manager to enter the City's vote for Flathead Irrigation District Commissioner for Division 1. Commissioner Agrella said he met Earnest Faust who is one of the nominees and was impressed with him. Commissioner Duford said she has the phone numbers to contact the nominees, which she gave to the City Manager at his request. **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT-1ST INTERSTATE BANK \$900,000 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT@2.40%APY \$450,000 6 MONTHS - \$450,000 8 MONTHS: City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke noted that the funds are reinvested. The funds were earmarked for the water improvement project, which will begin later this summer. She asked for approval of two blocks of investments of \$450,000 each in Certificates of Deposit at 1st Interstate Bank. Both investments yield 2.40% APY, one for six months, 196 days, maturing on October 8, 2009 and the other for eight months, 239 days, maturing on November 20, 2009. Other bids were from 1st Citizens Bank a six month CD at 1.75% APY and the eight month CD at 2.05% APY; Glacier Bank's bid was 1.25% APY for both six and eight month CD and Community Bank's bid was 1.72% for both the six and eight CD. Comparative rates were 1 year U.S. Government agency & U.S. Treasury 0.57%, 6 month national average C/D rate 1.50%, 1 year nation average CD rate 1.99%, 3/26/09 STIP MT Board of Investments 0.8473% and March 2009 STIP average 1.026%. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the public funds investment at 1st Interstate Bank of \$900,000 @2.40% APY, two Certificates of Deposit, one \$450,000 Certificate of Deposit for 6 months and another \$450,000 CD for 8 months, as presented by City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke. Motion carried unanimously.**

MARCH 2009 CASH REPORT: City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke presented the March 2009 Cash Report noting that we are $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way through the fiscal year. On a separate topic she informed the City Commission a Federal Compliance Audit is not required for FY '08. Auditor for bids to purchase 20 Club Car Carts with trade-in of six 1994 and thirteen 1995 carts. Financing will be arranged through a loan with the first semi-annual payment due October 2009. The estimated annual payment is \$15,000 for five years. A \$23,795 semi-annual interest payment was made on the Golf Revenue Bond. The remaining principal balance on the 1998 bond issue is \$905,000 for the remaining eight years. The coupon interest rate on the outstanding bonds is a variable rate of 5.05% - 5.40%. She clarified that a large portion of the current month's All Purpose General Fund revenue is a quarterly payment from the State of

Montana HB 124 Entitlement. She explained that this will be the first year that the actual June tax revenue will be posted in the June revenue figures which was suggested during the prior year audit. The City receives the June taxes from Lake County in the middle of July, and in the past the June tax revenue was posted in the month it was received. **Motion made by Commissioner Lies, seconded by Commissioner Funke, to approve the March 2009 Cash Report as presented by City Treasurer Bonnie Manicke. Motion carried unanimously.** Ron Foltz accordingly decreased the audit fee by \$1,500 to \$17,500. She recently contacted Glacier Bank regarding streamlining bank functions and mentioned consideration to increase the interest rate on the repurchase agreement account. Glacier Bank agreed to increase the interest rate one-quarter of a percent to 1.25%. The additional percentage will yield approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000 annually. The All Purpose General Fund debt service of \$17,300 is a semi-annual payment for the fire truck. The Building Department (Fund #2394) has a negative balance of \$1,406, which she believes will have a positive balance soon with summer construction projects providing additional revenue. The Golf Department is currently advertising

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS: City Manager James Raymond reported that Cole Davis received his Sewer Operator certificate after passing the required test. The City received notice that the Office of Energy has grants available and we will pursue obtaining available grants. The MDOT Bridge Resurfacing Project will place signs on Friday and start construction on Saturday. Riverside Park will be closed to vehicles but will be open for pedestrian use. The funds made available to the City through the State Revolving Fund will be used for the reservoir project. The budget report he provided to the City Commissioners shows that the expenditures and revenues are on track. He noted that the budget report is posted on the City's website directly from the City's accounting software, making budget information readily available to the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA: Commissioner Duford explained that as a user of irrigation water she was told that she is required to complete a form and provide her social security number. She doesn't believe they should provide that information because it would not be secure and it is protected under the privacy act. She is concerned about identity theft that happens so frequently these days and she wanted the residents of Ward 1 and Ward 2 some of who use irrigation water, that she doesn't think they should have to provide their social security number on that form. She inquired about the requirement for the benefit of the public but did not get any more information.

CITY OF POLSON PROCLAMATIONS –1) MEMORIAL DAY ON MAY 25; 2) FLAG DAY ON JUNE 14; 3) MAY BIKEATHON – MONTH OF MAY AS BIKE MONTH: Mayor Marchello noted that he signed three proclamations, and encouraged community participation in celebrating these worthwhile events. He explained that MDOT will leave the sidewalk open during the spring construction and everyone is encouraged to ride their bikes to work during the month of May.

Mayor Marchello adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Lou Marchello, Mayor

Attest: _____
Aggi G. Loeser, City Clerk