



Presley	63						35	98
Theresa Y. Hamilton-Roberts	17						4	21

Councilmember Smith made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Harding, to approve the official canvass of the May 9, 2015 election as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

**OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Bob Herrington, Mitchell Jordan, Joseph Thompson, and Steve Presley recited the Oath of Office, given by Municipal Court Judge James Todd.

**ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM**

Councilmember Presley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Thompson, to appoint Councilmember Harding as Mayor Pro Tem. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES**

No action was taken.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Herrington thanked everyone for their support during the election.

**ITEMS FROM COUNCIL**

Councilmember Presley reported on the following activities at the Texas State Railroad:

- 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Salute to the Armed Forces in Palestine. Also, it is free to all Veterans.

Councilmember Chivers reported on the following community events:

- Texas Youth Advocates annual fundraising banquet will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2015.

Councilmember Smith reported on the following activities at the Texas Theatre:

- Actor auditions for Mary Poppins were held on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>
- Dancer auditions for Mary Poppins will be held on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Wendy Ellis commended the Fire Department for saving a man's life who had a heart attack. Fire Chief Wilcher thanked the Council for the purchase of the defibrillators.

Councilmember Jordan asked Public Works Director Perry to address some of the street issues in the South End of town.

Departmental reports for Public Works and Municipal Court were provided. Also, City Attorney fees were provided.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

Consider an Ordinance approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee ("ACSC") and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the Company's 2014 and 2015 Rate Review Mechanism Filings; approving a settlement agreement with attached rate tariffs and proof of revenues; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the settlement tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; requiring the Company to reimburse ACSC's reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the REQUIREMENTS of the Texas open meetings act; adopting a saving clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring deliver of this Ordinance to the company and the ACSC's legal counsel.

Councilmember Thompson made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve **Ordinance No. 0-22-15** as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Consider an Ordinance approving a Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 for the Police Department. Councilmember Thompson made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Chivers, to approve **Ordinance No. 0-23-15** as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Consider approval of proposed City of Palestine and YMCA 2015 Summer Aquatics Swimming Pool Schedule Councilmember Chivers made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Presley, to approve the City of Palestine and YMCA 2015 Summer Aquatics Swimming Pool Schedule as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to Advertise a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Legal Services and receive responses to the request.

No action was taken on this item. Mayor Herrington asked that the item be placed on the next regular agenda for June 8<sup>th</sup> and requested that a copy of the Request for Qualifications from 2010 be sent out to the Council prior to the meeting.

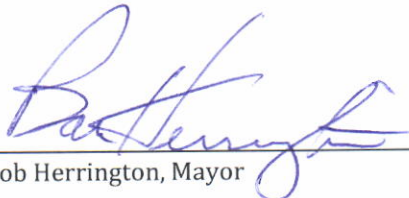
**ADJOURN**

With no other business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

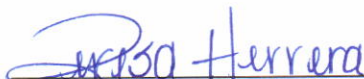
**RECEPTION IN THE LOBBY AT CITY HALL, 504 N. QUEEN STREET, PALESTINE, TEXAS**

A reception to recognize the newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers was held after the Regular Meeting.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2015.

  
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Bob Herrington, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Teresa Herrera, City Secretary

