

**PORTOLA CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 16, 2019  
6:00 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Oels called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Morton, Peiler, Cooley, Mayor Pro Tem Powers and Mayor Oels responded to the roll call. City Manager Lauren Knox and Deputy City Clerk Leslie Chrysler were also in attendance.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Firewood Business**

Portola resident Kate Rowden informed the Council that the residence across the street from her at 560 North Gulling Street is engaged in a firewood business. She explained that the constant noise from chainsaws and wood splitters was disturbing and the wood debris left behind is creating a fire hazard. She explained that she had reached out to the City's Code Compliance Officer and understood that the matter had previously been investigated with no proof that a business existed. She noted that there is a constant stream of trucks coming to the property to get firewood and would be surprised if it was just being given away. Ms. Rowden indicated that other neighbors were also concerned and that she was trying to find an individual that stated he had purchased firewood.

**4. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**A. Intermountain Disposal Rate Increase**- Review the annual rate increase for Intermountain Disposal pursuant to Proposition 218 and contractual agreement with the City of Portola.

City Manager Lauren Knox reviewed the report regarding the rate increase requested by Intermountain Disposal in compliance with their franchise agreement with the City. She explained utilizing the calculations set forth in the agreement the requested rate increase is 2.81%. Ms. Knox noted that the rate change is subject to Prop 218 regulations and the proper notice has been completed with no protests being received by the City.

Mayor Oels opened the public hearing at 6:07 p.m. There were no comments from the public and the hearing was closed.

It was then moved by Mayor Pro Tem Powers, seconded by Councilmember Morton to adopt Resolution No. 2416 approving the rate increase. Under roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

***Resolution No. 2416***  
***A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Portola***  
***Adopting Waste Collection and Residential Recycling Fees***

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss Mayor Oels adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

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Leslie Chrysler, CMC  
Deputy City Clerk