

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ó OCTOBER 27, 2014

Call Regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Dodge.

PRESENT: Mayor Dodge, Council Members Boder, Osborn, Lueth and Stieve-McPadden

ABSENT:

STAFF: City Administrator (Murphy) Ruch-Hammond, Public Works Kuntz and Clerk Maetzold

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Nikki McNeilly, Krista Goedel, Marcus Zbinden and Gary Hoes.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn with a second by Council Member Boder to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried 5/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Lueth with a second by Council Member Osborn to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections to the 10/13/14 Council minutes and the 9/9/14 Park Board minutes. Motion Carried 5/0.

1. Approve the Minutes of the October 13, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approve the Minutes of the October 13, 2014 Council Work Session.
3. Approve the Minutes of the September 9, 2014 Park Board Meeting.
4. Approve the Additional Claims for the Month of October 2014.

STAFF REPORTS

1. **Public Works** ó The Council reviewed a report from Kyle Kuntz of Public Works activities from September 19th to October 21, 2014. Kuntz was congratulated on his first anniversary with the City of Mayer October 29th.
2. **City Engineer** ó The Council reviewed David Martini's summary of the projects Bolton & Menk have been working on during the billing period August 16 ó September 12, 2014.
3. **Sheriff's Department** ó No Report
4. **City Administration** – The Council reviewed a report from September 19 ó October 24, 2014 outlining activities by the City Administrator. The Council was provided an updated Cash Balance Report and the 3rd quarter financial report. A Storm Water Project update was also reported.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- **Discussion on Fieldstone Development Boulevard Trees** ó The Fieldstone Homeowners Association was present at the Work Session on October 13, 2014. They have requested that the City replace five boulevard trees. When the City entered in to the Development Agreement with the developer, the City allowed one of the two required trees on each lot to be a boulevard tree. The

Council reviewed two Boulevard Tree Policies from other cities and agreed that the City of Mayer needs to implement their own policy and define ownership. The Park Board has decided that they will not replace boulevard trees. After further discussion, a MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn and seconded by Council Member Lueth to deny the request by the Fieldstone Homeowners Association to replace boulevard trees in the Fieldstone Development. Motion Carried 5/0. The City will compile a list of dead trees in spring of 2015 and send letters to the homeowners that it their responsibility to replace them. Staff will work on a draft Boulevard Tree Policy, with input from the Fieldstone Homeowners Association.

- **Compost Site Clean Up** ó Marcus Zbinden from Carver County Environmental Services was on hand to discuss the cleanup of the compost site. The County has budgeted up to \$10,000 for the cleanup. Costs to screen the compost that is left is well over \$10,000 and the possibility of having Waste Management use the piles for daily landfill cover would require the City to pay well over \$35,000 in tipping fees and trucking. Staff is suggesting partnering with Carver County to level the piles and drag for plastics and other garbage in the compost. Sentence to Serve could be used to pick up any debris that is remaining. The site would then be brought back to its original grade and seeded so it could be easily maintained. Zbinden will do the math to determine the depth of the soil to be leveled. A MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn and seconded by Council Member Boder to partner with Carver County to level and seed the site. Motion Carried 5/0
- **Call for Public Hearing on Delinquent Utility Bills** ó A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Osborn calling for a Public on Monday November 24, 2014 at 6:30 PM or shortly thereafter, at the Mayer City Hall, 413 Bluejay Ave., Mayer, MN for the purpose for placing delinquent water and sewer costs on the property owners taxes payable in the year 2015. Motion Carried 5/0
- **Approval of Resolution 10-27-2014-30 To Not Waive Limits of Liability on Property Insurance** – A MOTION was made by Council Member Lueth and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden to approve Resolution 10-27-2014-30 to not waive the Statutory Tort Limits for liability insurance. Motion Carried 5/0
- **Approval of Ordinance 195 Dangerous Dog** –The Carver County Attorney's Office approached the City to adopt the current Carver County Dangerous Dog Ordinance in an effort to have a more uniform ordinance to enforce. The Council reviewed the ordinance that the City Attorney has drafted. A MOTION was made by Council Member Boder and seconded by Council Member Osborn approving Ordinance 195 Dangerous Dogs. Motion Carried 5/0
- **Special Council Meeting November 3, 2014** – A MOTION was made by Council Member Boder and seconded by Council Member Osborn to hold a Special Council Meeting on Monday November 3, 2014 at 6:30 pm for the purpose of reviewing the bids for the roundabout project and to discuss the actual costs with members of the Mayer Lutheran High School Board. Motion Carried 5/0
- **Direction on Requests for the City Truck** - At the last Council meeting, it was reported that there were no bids received for the City's 2006 one ton truck. The Council then decided to trade the truck in on the purchase of the new truck that has been ordered. Since the last meeting, staff has received two offers on the truck which are both higher than the trade in value. After some discussion, a

MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Lueth to sell the truck to the highest offer. Motion Carried 5/0

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Council Stieve-McPadden reported that the Mayer Rising Community Festival Committee will meet tomorrow night. The Watertown Mayer Community Education Committee meeting was cancelled.
- Mayor Dodge reported on the Mayor and Council Candidate Forum held last Thursday night and reminded the Council of the Commissioner and Sheriff Candidate Forum which will be held at the Mayer Community Center tomorrow night.
- Council Member Boder reported that the Fire Department attended an Ebola meeting at Ridgeview last week. Questions were raised as to Workers Compensation, wages and quarantine period as it relates to our fire department members. Administrator Ruch-Hammond will contact the League of Minnesota Cities to start looking at Policies.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Lueth to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion Carried 5/0

Mike Dodge, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk