

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES 6 NOVEMBER 28, 2011

Work Session called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Mayor Chris Capaul

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

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Administrator Murphy, City Engineer David Martini and Clerk Maetzold

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Mike Dodge, Emily Hentges and Andrew Budde

- 1. Park Board Appointment:** The City has a vacancy on the Park Board and has received two applications for the position. Council Member Lueth has heard from residents that they were not aware of the vacancy and he would like to table the appointment to give more time for more applications. Other Council Members felt that we are lucky to have two applications. After viewing the applications and some discussion, it was decided to offer the position to Elizabeth Butterfield and to offer William Michel a position on either the Planning Commission or Senior Commission, both of which will have a vacancy in the near future.
- 2. Discussion on Cost Sharing with Mayer Lutheran High School:** Mayer Lutheran High School would like to re-open 62nd street. They would like to do this with a round-a-bout. It has been determined that a round-a-bout should fit within the right-of-way. Mayer LHS is asking if the City of Mayer is willing to contribute financially with this improvement. The City could bond for the project as a 429 and assess the cost share portion to Mayer LHS. The Council viewed four preliminary options for financing the project, with the City sharing in the cost 25% (75% MLHS) and 33% (67% MLHS) for a term of 10/15 years. The City has decided this access benefits the City and is an important link for the City long term. It fits into the city's current Transportation Plan. Timing is being driven by the school's possible building project, and interest rates are low along with a good bidding climate. The idea of a cooperative agreement with MnDOT most likely will not rank high among the other applications submitted for their pool of funds. The Council agrees to take this information to MLHS for further discussion.
- 3. Personnel Policy:** Tabled to a future work session.
- 4. Other Issues:**

 - Council Member Boder reported that the Mayer Mobil Mart will be sold as of January 1, 2012.
 - Council Member Lueth discusses the merit of purchasing a city vehicle for employees and Council Members to use for meetings etc. It was decided that it is not warranted at this time.
- 5. City Administrator Review:**
The work session was closed to continue with the City Administrator's review.

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There being no further business, the work session ended at 8:45 p.m.

Chris Capaul, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk