

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ó APRIL 11, 2011

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

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

ABSENT:

STAFF: City Administrator Murphy, City Engineer David Martini, Deputy Chris Nelson, Jeff Frost - Public Works and Clerk Maetzold

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Nikki Larson, Deb Pauly, Milfred Dalchow, Laurie Engelen, Mark Lundgren, Jim McPadden and Nate McNeilly

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Milfred Dalchow appeared before the Council to discuss his driveway/street issue once more. Neighbor Nate McNeilly helped to explain Dalchow's issue with the opening off of Ridge Road. The Council was asked to take time within the next two weeks to view the area and it will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden with a second by Council Member Osborn to approve 1 through 6 of the Consent Agenda as presented: Motion Carried 5/0.

1. Approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2011 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2011 Work Session.
3. Approve the Claims for the Month of April 2011.
4. Approve the Check Summary for the Month of March 2011.
5. Approve the Fire Department Report for the Month Ending March 2011.
6. Approve the Building Permit Report for the Month Ending March 2011.

Members of the Council wanted to further discuss the following:

7. Approve Resolution 3-11-2011-14 Appointment of Part Time Seasonal Employees.
8. Approve the Sheriff's Department Report for the Month Ending March 2011.

The part time compost employee will work 7 hours per week for now. Hours can be extended at a later date. Deputy Chris Nelson and Firefighter Pat Esser were commended for their services at a recent medical. After further review a MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn and seconded by Council Member Boder approving the remaining consent agenda items as presented. Motion Carried 5/0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **Carver County Taxpayer Services Tax Overpayment** ó Laurie Engelen and Mark Lundgren representing Carver County Taxpayer Services appeared before the Council at their request to try to explain the 2010 tax overpayment of \$29,521.23. Commissioner Jim Ische was unable to attend. Mr. Lundgren reported that there was a software problem with the Fiscal Disparities

settlement and the five school districts that cross county lines. Scott County had the same problem. He explained Fiscal Disparities. To help prevent this problem from happening in the future, the County will be requiring a better reporting system from the software company. He reiterated that this issue does not affect the 2011 Tax Levy. The amount of \$29,521.23 received by the City of Mayer was an overpayment of 2010 tax levy dollars. He deeply apologized for the mistake. The City has asked for an adjustment on the June 2011 settlement to correct the issue.

2. **Water Tower Cleaning** ó Council wanted to revisit the Tower Cleaning quotes. Public Works Jeff Frost was on hand to answer questions. One additional quote was reviewed from Tight Rope for \$2,900.00, which was recommended by Greg Kluver. It was suggested to ask that it be done before our City Celebration. After further review, a MOTION was made by Council Member Lueth and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden to approve the quote from Tight Rope for \$2,900.00 and to ask that the work be completed by June 15, 2011. Motion Carried 5/0.
3. **Discussion about Garbage Trucks in the Alleys** ó Dave Nace (113 Bluejay Ave) has reported that the alley in back of his property is in poor shape this spring because of the Waste Management truck each week. Administrator Murphy has reviewed the pickup locations with W/M and has found that the alleys are traveled up to four times a week to service properties. Most of these stops could be moved to either Hwy 25 or Bluejay Ave., but there would still be a few properties that need to be picked up on the alley. Staff would like direction from the Council on the garbage truck's use of alleys. It was felt that because the alleys are in such poor shape, garbage pickup would remain the same until such time that the alleys are rebuilt.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Council Stieve-McPadden reported on Mayer Baseball Club Expenditures. 63.19% on donations stays within the City, 17.91% stays within the district and 18.9% is hardship or Metro. All donations are regulated by the State. The City cannot require more than 10%. The Mayer Baseball Club has a four star rating.
- Council Lueth has had complaints about dog droppings on trails and sidewalks. He would like the Sheriff's Dept/CSO be on the lookout for residents that do not pick up after their pets.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Osborn to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion Carried 5/0

Chris Capaul, Mayor

Attest: _____

Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk