

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES – JULY 8 2019

Call Work Session to order at 6:46 p.m. by Mayor Dodge.

PRESENT: Mayor Dodge, Council Members Butterfield, Boder, and McNeilly

ABSENT: Council Member Stieve-McPadden

STAFF: City Administrator McCallum, City Engineer Martini, Public Works Kuntz, and Deputy Clerk Gildemeister

ALSO PRESENT:

1. **Discussion on Pond Maintenance Plan:** City Engineer David Martini addressed Council regarding ponds within the City limits and recommended the City consider a pond maintenance plan in correlation with the 2020 street projects. He informed Council that the City has 28 to 30 ponds to maintain and these ponds are close to 20 years old. Over time sediment deposited into the ponds builds up, and to his recollection, the ponds have not been dredged. He stated an evaluation of encroachments, such as vegetation, fencing, and accessory structures, into the easements should be done due to the possible difficulties in accessing ponds for maintenance. He recommended putting together a “scope of work” proposal and identify easements and how to get equipment to ponds.
Recommending the scope of work to be done in phases:
 - a. **Accessing ponds**
 - b. **Determine the amount of sediment in ponds**
 - c. **Testing/Dredging**Mayor Dodge stated that it is the responsibility of the City to maintain its ponds and it would be in the best interest of the City to have a policy in place for future maintenance.
2. **Discussion on Street Project 2020:** City Engineer David Martini provided Council with a review of the Pavement Management Plan discussed last August and asked for direction on whether to forward with the Street Project 2020 proposal. Council agreed it was time to move forward with the plan, however, would like to have further discussion on whether to assess the “reconstruction” projects and how to finance the “mill and overlay” projects. Council directed City Administrator to research “mill and overlay” policies, project numbers, and bring 1st phase and pond maintenance proposal back for further discussion.
3. **Discussion on Carver County Sheriff’s Department Contract 2020:** City Administrator presented the 2020 Carver County Sheriff’s Department Contract for discussion. The City’s 2019 contract currently employs a Full Time Equivalent Deputy (2080 hours) and a Community Service Officer (130 hours). The current level of policing is 5.36 hours per day, Monday-Friday, with a Deputy working an 8-hour schedule as well as vehicle costs and 130 hours CSO coverage. The proposed 2020 contract is structured based on maintaining the same levels of policing services and CSO coverage. Council discussed the idea of increasing hours per day/week for the Deputy Sheriff. Council Member Boder stated that the City doesn’t need to add hours but needs a mid-shift Deputy; a Sheriff that is around when the residents are around. After further discussion, Council supported a “different shift” coverage for the Deputy Sheriff and agreed not to consider the additional hour per day. Council also agreed to consider eliminating the CSO hours. Council directed Staff to acquire the CSO log reports and correspond with Deputy Sheriff Bengtson and Commander Moline for guidance on a mid-shift and weekend coverage.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the work session was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Mike Dodge, Mayor

Attest: _____
Janell Gildemeister, Deputy City Clerk

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