

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES 6 MARCH 23, 2015

Call Work Session to order at 7:45 p.m. by Mayor Gerry Thomas

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Council Members Osborn, McNeilly, Boder and Stieve-McPadden
ABSENT:

STAFF: City Administrator Ruch-Hammond, City Engineer David Martini, Public Works Kuntz and Clerk Maetzold

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Rod Maetzold, Bill Drew, Dan Lipe, Steve Lipe, Scott Worm and David Kolstad.

1. **Discussion of Water and Sewer Services and Annexation of Properties:**

Residents along a portion of 62nd street were informed and invited to this work session to discuss the possible annexation of their properties and future installation of water and sewer services. Since the properties will be benefiting from the upgrade to 62nd street this summer, it would seem appropriate for the City to annex the five properties on 62nd Street that are currently in Waconia Township into the City of Mayer. These properties are currently surrounded by the City.

The City must decide what services they are willing to provide without other services. It would be quite expensive to install water and sewer to five properties. Most residents do not need upgrades to their private water and sewer systems at this time. The City could install service lines and carry costs until connections are made through deferred assessment.

Council decided that the first step would be to work on the annexation of these properties. The City can continue to work on getting information on future improvements.

2. **Discussion on 2015 Seal Coating:**

The Council reviewed a map of the 2014 sealcoat proposed locations that were postponed last year. Additional streets in the Fieldstone Development in need of a first time sealcoat were added to the list for 2015. After discussion, the matter will be brought back to the next Council meeting for authorization to advertise for bids.

3. **Fire Chief – Disposal of Excess Equipment:**

Fire Chief Rod Maetzold reported that the new SCBA equipment that is being purchased through the FEMA grant is currently being built, and asked for discussion on the disposal of the current 22 SCBA equipment. The two companies contacted that usually purchase used SCBS equipment, do not want our Drager models even though they have four and one half years of certified use left. Another option would be to advertise on EBay; which would go out to a larger market. They take 10% as a fee.

With the anticipated May arrival of the new engine, discussion included the disposal of the 1987 engine. Several options for advertising the truck were offered. The matter will be brought back to the next Council meeting for approval to advertise.

Chief Maetzold also reported that he has applied and received a grant for a new automated external defibrillator (AED) from the Mdewakanton Sioux Community.

4. Avenues of Communication with Residents:

The Council addressed opportunities and avenues for communications with residents; including Facebook and Twitter along with the more traditional sources. Continued research is needed.

5. Use of Intern for Additional Office Staff Duties:

Administrator Ruch-Hammond outlined the Minnesota City/County Management Association 2015 Internship Program available to the City. This internship is designed to provide a talented person with real life experience working in local government management. If awarded, this position could provide assistance and support to the current staff during the busy summer months. The Council agreed to bring the application to the next Council meeting for approval.

6. Discussion on Job Description for Additional Office Staff:

Since the Council decided to apply for the MCMA Intern position for additional temporary office staff, the discussion on the City of Mayerø's job description for additional office staff was tabled.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the work session was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Gerald W. Thomas, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk