

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES – JUNE 27, 2016

Call Work Session to order at 7:15 p.m. by Acting Mayor Boder

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

ABSENT: Mayor Thomas

STAFF: City Administrator Ruch-Hammond, Deputy Clerk Gildemeister

ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan Rodd, Ivan Raconteur, Don Wachholz, and Mike Dodge

1. **Discussion on Jaguar Communications:** The Council met with Jonathan Rodd, representative for Jaguar Communications. Jaguar Communications is a small fiber optics company looking to expand its telephone, internet, and cable business to the City of Mayer. The Council asked for information and direction to implement this process immediately. Jonathan Rodd advised the Council that the process may take years; the first step would be to send out a questionnaire to the residence to survey what the needs are. The Council discussed the process of implementing another internet option to the City of Mayer and agreed that the need to bring in Jaguar Communications is in the best interest of the residence.
2. **Discussion and Walk Through of the Community Center:** Council Member McNeilly led a walkthrough and discussion on the state of the Community Center. Various items, such as the building fascia, uneven sidewalk concrete, damaged doors, rusty fixture, ect; are in need of repair or replacement. The Council discussed the appearance of the City Hall/Community Center and agreed that the items that pose a safety concern should be repaired first and over time address further repairs.
3. **Discussion on Capital Improvement Plan 2017:** City Council reviewed Capital Improvement Plan for 2017. Department heads and boards had updated individual CIP's. Staff updated the CIP and Council made no changes.
4. **Budget 2017-** Council discussed items on the 2017 budget.  
The averaged utility bills for 3 years.  
How should the Deputy Clerk wages to be divided? (1/3 sewer and water, 1/3 general fund, and 1/3 elections and building permits)  
Council change in salary. NO change  
Staff change in salary. Council agreed to follow the current step increase of 3%.  
Increase in City portion of health insurance. Council requested more information on the health benefit costs.  
Increase in Sheriff's contract. Administrator informed them that the detailed costs in sharing of a Deputy with Watertown would be coming.  
Additional line items in the Maintenance Building to account for new PW Building.  
Any other requests or changes to budget line items? No changes
5. **Discussion on Community Center Rental Fees:** Council asked for clarification on rental fees, hourly fees, and spaces available to rent. Council asks the City to better communicate to the residence that the Community Center is available for all kinds of events.

6. **Concession Stand:** Council discussed how often the concession stand is used and possibly renting it out through the Community Center.
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8. **Discussion on Bill Drew Sewer.** Tabled till next session.
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10. **Discussion on the Use of Popcorn Machine:** The City Administrator asked for direction on whether or not the popcorn machine can be used by anyone renting the Community Center for events. The Council agreed that the popcorn machine can be used as long as it is cleaned up after event. The public will have to provide their own popcorn and oil.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the work session was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Eric Boder, Acting Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Janell Gildemeister – Deputy City Clerk