

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

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

PRESENT: Mayor Dodge, Council Members Butterfield, McNeilly, and Stieve-McPadden

ABSENT: Boder

STAFF: City Administrator McCallum, Public Works Kuntz, Fire Chief Maetzold, and City Engineer Martini

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, and Nate McNeilly

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

A MOTION to approve the agenda was made by Council Member Butterfield and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden. Motion Carried 4/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

COUNCIL REPORTS

- None

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member McNeilly with a second by Council Member Butterfield to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried 4/0.

1. Approve the Minutes of the September 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approve the Minutes of the September 12, 2017 Park and Recreation Commission Meeting.
3. Approve the Additional Claims for the Month of September 2017.
4. Approve the Recommendation from City Engineer, David Martini, to reduce the amount of the developer's "Letter of Credit" for the Coldwater Crossing 7th Addition to a balance of \$405,470
5. Approval of Resolution 9-25-17-36 Accepting Donations from the baseball team.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF CITY DEPARTMENT, CONSULTANTS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

A. City Council Reports
None.

B. Carver County Sheriff's Report

1. Monthly Report
No Questions.

2. 2018 Police Contract – Resolution 9-25-17-35

The Council tabled this item until October when the Sheriff's Department could be present.

C. Public Works Department

1. Monthly Report
No Questions.

D. Administrative

1. Monthly Report

No Questions.

E. Fire Department

1. Monthly Report

No Questions.

2. Fire Department PERA Pension Increase – Resolution 9-25-17-32

Approval of Resolution 9-25-17-32 Statewide Volunteer Retirement Plan (Opting to increase the benefit level for Firefighters who are vested in the voluntary statewide volunteer firefighter (SVF) retirement plan) – A MOTION was made by Council Member Butterfield and seconded by Mayor Dodge approving Resolution 9-25-17-32 to increase the benefit level from \$2,000 to \$2,200 per year of service with an estimated City contribution of \$3,800. Motion Carried 3/0/1 (McNeilly).

3. Thermal Imaging Cameras

The Fire Department asked the Council for authorization to purchase seven (7) Thermal Imaging Cameras for search and rescue means. Maetzold stated that it was in the budget to do so. It was explained that these seven cameras would be used by the first responders to an incident. A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Butterfield approving the fire department to spend up to \$6,125.00 on the purchase of seven (7) Thermal Imaging Cameras. Motion Carried 4/0.

F. Park and Recreation Commission

1. Gaga Pit

McCallum informed that the Park and Recreation Commission is recommending to Council the approval of spending \$1,822.00 on the purchase of a Gaga Pit (hardware and lumber) for the Old School House Park. The Public Works Department would do the assembly and would be ADA compliant. A MOTION was made by Council Member McNeilly and seconded by Council Member Butterfield approving spending up to \$1,822.00 on the hardware and lumber for the Gaga Pit. Motion Carried 4/0.

2. Resignation of Park Commissioner and posting for position

McCallum informed that former Park Commission Chair Nate McNeilly resigned as of August 8, 2017. A MOTION was made by Council Member Butterfield and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden approving the resignation of Nate McNeilly from the Park Commission. Motion Carried 4/0. McCallum informed that the Park Commission is requesting to post for the vacant position. A MOTION was made by Council Member Butterfield and seconded by Council Member McNeilly to post the vacant Park and Recreation Position. Motion Carried 4/0.

3. Approval of new Commission Chair

McCallum informed that the Park Commission elected a new commission chair, Alisa Johnson, at their September meeting. They recommended to Council the approval of Johnson as the chair. A MOTION was made by Stieve-McPadden to approve Johnson as the new Park Commission Chair. McNeilly seconded. Motion Carried 4/0.

G. City Engineer

1. Monthly Report – Project Updates

No Questions.

2. MNDOT 2020 Project – Trunk Highway 25

Martini provided some information on a MNDOT project that will take place on Trunk Highway 25 in the year 2020. He informed that it would be a Mill and Overlay street project; while making sidewalks and other ADA improvements along the corridor. He said that the street will hit its 10 year mark in 2020. He asked the Council for their input on what they wanted to see happen in the project with regards to additional improvements. The Council agreed to hold a workshop in October to involve residents of the community in the planning process.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. Approval of Resolution 9-25-17-34 Preliminary 2018 Proposed Budget.

McCallum presented Resolution 9-25-17-34 that highlighted the total proposed preliminary expenditures in the general fund and debt service. She informed that the total expenditures for the 2018 preliminary budget is \$1,611,036.72, which was up from \$1,405,936.00 in 2017. Mayor Dodge informed that this number could be decreased by December. McCallum stated that the proposed budget had to be into the County by September 30, 2017. McCallum informed that the increase was due to staffing changes, the state mandated Comprehensive Plan and some one time projects in 2018. Stieve-McPadden asked that another budget meeting workshop be held before December. A MOTION was made by Stieve-McPadden and seconded by McNeilly to approve resolution 9-25-17-34 setting the preliminary 2018 proposed budget. Motion Carried 4/0.

B. Approval of Resolution 9-25-17-33 Preliminary Levy for Tax Collection in 2018.

McCallum presented resolution 9-25-17-33 that highlighted the preliminary levy for 2018 with a general fund levy of \$505,284.00 and a debt service levy of \$510,942.00 thus totaling the levy to \$1,016,225.46; an increase of about \$64,225.72 from 2017. She informed that the city experienced an 11% increase in market value. She informed that based on the increase of market value, the city would see a tax rate of 52%; down from 53% last year. A MOTION was made by McNeilly and seconded by Stieve-McPadden to approve resolution 9-25-17-33 setting the preliminary tax levy for 2018. Motion carried 4/0.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member McNeilly and seconded by Council Member Butterfield to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Motion Carried 4/0

Mike Dodge, Mayor

Attest: _____
Janell Gildemeister, Deputy City Clerk