

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 6 OCTOBER 14, 2013

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

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

ABSENT:

STAFF: City Administrator Murphy, City Engineer David Martini and Clerk Maetzold

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Lorrie Ham, Ivan Raconteur, Linnea Boyd and family, Greg Kluver, Myron Taylor, Stan & Sandy Heldt, Charlie Heldt, Lowell Wasser, Norville Luebke, Joel Landskroener, Gregg Johnson, Jeff Machemehl, Tom Stifter, Commander Paul Tschida

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION made by Council Member Lueth with a second by Council Member Osborn to approve the Agenda with the addition of 1) Park Board recommendation on sports court surface; 2) Additional request from 212 1st St. NE ó Bob & Tice McPadden. Motion Carried 5/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Stan Heldt invited City Council Members to attend an appreciation for Firearms Safety Trainers on Sunday October 20th. The DNR will be honoring all Firearm Safety Trainers, especially Stan Heldt for over 50 years of service. The City of Mayer will also be recognized for hosting the trainings for over 50 years.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

After questions, a MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn with a second by Council Member Stieve-McPadden to approve the Consent Agenda: Motion Carried 5/0.

1. Approval of the Minutes for the September 23, 2013 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approval of the Minutes for the September 3, 2013 Planning Commission Meeting.
3. Approval of the Minutes for the September 7, 2013 Park Board Meeting.
4. Approval of Claims for the Month of September 2013.
5. Approval of the check Summary for the month of July & September. Included are the Fund Balances for the Months of July & August 2013.
6. Approval of the Building Permit Report for the month ending September 2013.
7. Approval of the Fire Department Reports for the months ending August & September 2013.
8. Approval of the Sheriff's Department Report for the Month Ending September 2013.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **Carver County Sheriff's Contract 2014** – Commander Paul Tschida was present at the Council's request to discuss the Contract for Services for the 2014 budget year. The Council asked if changing hours of patrol around would be affected by union contracts. Tschida responded that if the City was thinking of making significant changes to their contract, the Sheriff's department would need to know soon, since they will be having deputies bid on shifts soon. It has been determined that most calls for service are during the day. The Sheriff's department is making progress on adding general Patrol Deputies. The City could consider flexing some hours. The County can react to requests to add additional coverage by general patrol. They are prepared to respond to the City's requests for service to add the coverage.
2. **Approval of Park Board Recommendation on Little Free Libraries** ó There has been a request to add Little Free Libraries in the City of Mayer parks. Mayer Lutheran High School students will build the book

houses and the MLHS Honor Society would be in charge of monitoring the libraries. They will start with one to be placed in Old Schoolhouse Park. A MOTION was made by Council Member Boder and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden approving the request to place Little Free Libraries in the Mayer Parks. Motion Carried 5/0

3. **Approval of Disposal of Oil at the Creamery 113 5th St NW** ó City Staff is requesting authorization to have the 18 ó 55-gallon drums full of the diesel and water mixture at the old creamery 113 5th St NW to be disposed of. Lubetec Oil will dispose of the barrels with no compensation or charge to the City. A MOTION was made by Council Member Boder and seconded by Council Member Osborn approving the disposal of the oil at the creamery to Lubetec. Motion Carried 5/0
4. **Approval of Fire Department Contracts with Townships 2014** ó A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Lueth approving the Fire Department contracts with the contracting Townships for 2014 based on the 2014 proposed budget. Motion Carried 5/0
5. **Resolution 10-14-2013-32 Approval of the Site Plan for the Veterans Monument** ó The Veterans Memorial Committee appeared before the Council to discuss their plans for a County Veterans Monument at the location of Co Rd 30 and Hwy 25 on the Dakota Rail property just south of the trailhead. They have received County approval for the site. They are asking for the City of Mayer's approval for the site. Stan and Sandy Heldt presented a power point highlighting the plans for the monument. Their budget is \$200,000 to \$250,000, which will be paid for by selling pavers and corporate and individual donations. After the presentation, a MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn and seconded by Council Member Boder approving Resolution 10-14-2013-32 Approval of the site plan for the Carver County Veterans Monument. Motion Carried 5/0
6. **Review of Draft Chicken Ordinance** ó The Council reviewed a draft Ordinance addressing the keeping of chickens in the City of Mayer, and the City Attorney's comments. The Council will need to decide on the number of chickens allowed, whether it is a license or permit, fees, who will enforce the Ordinance and if the Planning Commission should review the Ordinance. It was decided to send the draft Ordinance to the Planning Commission to weigh in on certain parts of the document. The Council agreed that the Ordinance needs to be specific and enforceable. There have been no complaints to date from 116 Ash Ave N.
7. **Discussion on DeVries and Kluver Contract** – At the last meeting, Council Member Osborn brought up the issue of over payment to DeVries and Kluver Consulting. The previous and current contracts were reviewed. It was determined that the City has been paying DeVries and Kluver Consulting for their time according to the contracts.

Public Works Activities performed by Greg Kluver for September 2013 were reviewed.

Council Member Osborn leaves the meeting.

8. **Consideration of Request of Zion School on Watering** ó Zion Lutheran School had contacted the City about using the Fire Truck for watering of the new seed that was placed after the completion of the new school addition. City Staff had approved the request of the school with the understanding that they would keep track of the number of loads of water. The school is requesting to pay for the water by the gallon not by the truck load. The current fee schedule was reviewed. After some discussion, a MOTION was made by Boder and seconded by Mayor Dodge to charge Zion the current fee schedule amount per truck load. Motion Carried 3/1 (Lueth)
9. **Park Board Recommendation on Basketball Court Surface** ó After discovering that the wrong measurements were given for estimating a product to cover the existing basketball court in Bluejay Park,

that matter had been sent back to the Park Board for further discussion. The Park Board met and is recommending the medium grade duracourt surface tile from Snap Sports be purchased to cover the basketball court at a cost of \$15,072. A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Lueth. Motion Carried 4/0

Council Member Stieve-McPadden excuses herself from the meeting.

10. **Approval of Storm Sewer Easement Purchase** ó The Wetland project that was approved at the August 26, 2013 Council Meeting requires a storm water pipe to be placed across the west side of the property at 212 1st St. NE. This requires the City to have an easement across the property for placement of the storm sewer pipe. The cost to purchase an easement for the storm sewer to be completed from the trail to the park according to the City Engineer is \$4,125.00. The funds for the easement could be taken from the storm water fund. The storm water pipe cannot be placed in the alley because of the sanitary sewer that already runs underneath it. A MOTION was made by Mayor Dodge and seconded by Council Member Boder authorizing the purchase of the easement in the amount of \$4,125.00. Motion Carried 3/0

11. **Request From Bob and Tice McPadden** ó Along with the easement on the west side of their property at 221 1st St. NE, the Planning Commission has requested a 16ø easement on the east side of their property for a future trail. McPaddenø are requesting that this easement be purchased at a cost of .75/foot. By their calculations, this easement measures 4,400 ft for a total value of \$3,300.00. They also are requesting reimbursement for planning and engineering costs being charged to them that are due to these easements and to several changes that were made at subsequent meetings. They are asking the City to cover 2/3 of these costs.

The concept of the trail easement came from our Planning Consultants at MDG with no specific placement. This trail placement will have to be reviewed and the matter of trail easement purchase was tabled. The planning and engineering costs can be brought back at the time of the lot split.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 421 Ash Ave N Delinquent Bill was discussed. A MOTION was made by Council Member Lueth and seconded by Council Member Boder to give them until November 1st, 2013 to pay their bill in full or risk shut off on November 4th, 2013. Motion Carried 4/0

COUNCIL REPORTS

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member Boder and seconded by Council Member Lueth to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion Carried 4/0

Mike Dodge, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk