

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 6 AUGUST 22, 2011

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

PRESENT: Mayor Capaul, Council Members Osborn and Stieve-McPadden.

ABSENT: Council Members Lueth and Boder

STAFF: Administrator Murphy, City Engineer David Martini, Deputy Chris Nelson and Clerk Maetzold.

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Julie Nelson, Paul Joswich, Jim Ische

The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION made by Council Member Osborn with a second by Council Member Stieve-McPadden to approve the agenda with the following additions: 1) Commissioner Jim Ische; 2) Application for Liquor License (109 Ash Ave N); and 3) addition of VISA bill to the Claims. Motion Carried 3/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden with a second by Council Member Osborn to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Motion Carried 3/0.

1. Approve Minutes of the August 8, 2011 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approve Additional Claims for August 2011.
 - Includes the Final Pay Request to Wm. Mueller & Sons for \$60,475.05.
3. Approve Sheriff's Department Report for the Month of July 2011.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **County Commissioner Jim Ische** 6 Commissioner Ische appeared before the Council to update them on County issues. The County is working on the 2012 budget which has become a year round task. They have made cuts and plan to keep the levy flat. He highlighted the 2010 Census, current home values and the upcoming re-districting, anticipated early next year. There was an Open House Kick Off for the new County Fiber Optic line. Because of an optic line shortage, conduit is being laid so the line can be installed when it becomes available. The Accel Program and a Metro wide EDA Program were also discussed. Commissioner Ische reported that the County is looking for grant money to provide Mayer with an Express Library similar to Cologne's which was installed earlier this year. He explained how the system works and feels it would be a good fit for our City. The Council expressed interest and urged him to continue to explore the possibility.
2. **Application for Liquor License (Bootlegger's)** 6 Julie Nelson was present to introduce Paul Joswich who is interested in applying for a Liquor License for 109 Ash Ave N. (The previous applicant Greg Forseth withdrew earlier this month.) The applicant is asking to open on October 1, 2011. A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Osborn approving an Off Sale/On Sale and Sunday Liquor License for 109 Ash Avenue pending payment of the \$1,200 fee (On Sale fee based on six months and full Off Sale and

Sunday fees), receipt of certificate of Liquor Liability insurance and a successful background check. Motion Carried 3/0. They will also be required to submit a \$500.00 deposit for the background check.

STAFF REPORTS

1. **Public Works** ó Council reviewed Jeff Frostø's report ending August 22, 2011.
2. **City Engineer** ó The Council reviewed David Martini's summary of the projects Bolton & Menk have been working on during the billing period June 11 through July 8, 2011.
3. **Sheriff's Department** ó Deputy Nelson reported that there has been an increase in burglaries. Several mini storage units have been broken into as well as unlocked detached sheds. He urged all not to leave valuables in vehicles and to keep all doors locked. Deputy Nelson will write an article for the next Newsletter.
4. **City Administration** – The Council reviewed a report from July 25 through August 19, 2011 outlining activities by the City Administrator. Proposed upcoming Newsletter items will be brought to the next work session for Council approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Request to Close City Hall on Friday, September 2, 2011** ó Staff is requesting to close City Hall on Friday, September 2, 2011. With the holiday weekend, business at the City Hall would be minimal, even though part time staff has been used to cover City Hall hours. Staff is recommending closing on Friday, September 2, 2011 instead of using the part time staff. A MOTION was made by Council Member Osborn and seconded by Council Member Stieve-McPadden to close City Hall on Friday September 2, 2011 as recommended. Motion Carried 3/0
2. Council Member Stieve-McPadden reported that the Mayer Baseball Club would like baseball field #1 maintenance issues completed before fall.

ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member Osborn to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion Carried 3/0

Chris Capaul, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk