

MAYER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES 6 OCTOBER 24, 2011

Work Session called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Mayor Chris Capaul

PRESENT: Mayor Capaul, Council Members Boder and Osborn.

ABSENT: Council Members Stieve-McPadden and Lueth

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

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Ivan Raconteur, Cynthia Smith-Strack of Municipal Development Group, Mike Dodge, Chris Biehle

- 1. Dog License Ordinance:** The Council discusses the idea of a lifetime dog license for dogs that are micro chipped. City Attorney David Hubert verified that rabies certificates are not a state requirement of dog licenses. The Council ran through several scenarios regarding a lifetime license, one being that a rabies certificate would be required initially, but that the owner would be required to keep the certificate current without having to provide the City with a new copy. Based on discussion, Attorney Hubert will draft an ordinance for the Council to review.
- 2. Round-a-bout for Mayer Lutheran High School:** Mayer Lutheran High School would like to re-open 62nd street. They would like to do this with a round-a-bout. City Engineer David Martini provided the Council with a drawing to show that a round-a-bout should fit within the right-of-way. Mayer LHS is asking if the City of Mayer is willing to contribute financially with this improvement. The City could bond for the project as a 429 and assess the cost share portion to Mayer LHS. The City must decide if this access benefits the City; whether it is an important link for the City long term. Business access is an issue, and the City should be involved to make sure all stake holders are taken care of. The City would like to pursue the idea of a cooperative agreement with MnDOT. The Council agrees to get cost estimates.
- 3. Change in Park Board Meetings:** Administrator Murphy reported to the Council that the Park Board is proposing changing their meeting from the 1st Tuesday at 5:00 pm to the second Tuesday at 6:30 pm. so members can attend.
- 4. Honoring Veterans:** With Veterans Day on November 11th, staff asked the Council if they would like to honor the Veterans that live in the City. It was decided to honor the Veterans at the November 14th Council Meeting. A notice will be put in the paper announcing the ceremony.
- 5. Comprehensive Plan Issues:** City Attorney David Hubert and Cynthia Smith-Strack of Municipal Development Group appeared before the Council to discuss an ongoing issue. There has been a request for a building permit at 13280 62nd Street, a property outside of the City limits that the City of Mayer currently has Zoning authority. The applicant has been told that there will be no building permit issued because it does not comply with the current Comprehensive Plan; issuance would require a Comprehensive Plan Amendment, which he does not want to pay for. Ms. Smith-Strack reviews the memo regarding the request with the Council. Council agrees with the findings. A question arose about the original building

eligibility, and whether or not it had ever been transferred. The Council would like the Planning Committee to also review.

6. Other Issues: None

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There being no further business, the work session ended at 7:35 p.m.

Chris Capaul, Mayor

Attest: _____
Lois A. Maetzold, City Clerk