PRESIDING: Mayor Lynn Ewing

COUNCIL PRESENT: Lynn Ewing, Randy Bechtol, Dennis Ross, Suzanne Knapp, Jon Helquist, Tom Troutman

COUNCIL ABSENT: Carol Rager

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Christine Wolfe, Attorney Paul Sumner

Visitors Present: Judy Sumner, Karen DuPuis, Rod Runyan, Frank Kay, Allison Bechtol, Daniel Bonham, Susan Kay, Mark Seder, Donna Henderson

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ewing at 6:30 p.m. Roll call of Council and staff was conducted by Clerk Wolfe. Mayor Ewing led council and audience in Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: A) Minutes of January 24, 2018 Meeting; B) Minutes of February 20, 2018 Meeting; C) Mayor/Councilor Monthly Finance Report; D) Payment of Invoices for February 2018. Mayor Ewing announced removal of items C & D. He further announced removal of Items 5, 6, and 9 from the Agenda. Councilor Knapp requested the minutes of February 20 be pulled for discussion. It was moved by Councilor Troutman, seconded by Councilor Bechtol, and unanimously passed; the Council approves the Minutes of January 24, 2018.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION.

Mayor Ewing introduced Special Guests in attendance: Wasco County Commissioner Rod Runyan and State Representative Daniel Bonham.

Commissioner Runyan reported on the South Wasco County Parks & Recreation "Pine Hollow boat ramp project" and funding from the Oregon Marine Board.

Representative Bonham gave recognition to the local support, fund raising, and preparedness for the Broadband and Civic Center projects, which was a key factor to the Legislature's decision to grant the $1.5 million to Maupin. He spoke of his enjoyment of his job, and he is here to listen to find out what is important to the community.

Mayor Ewing recognized Frank Kay who has worked very hard on fundraising for the Library. Frank recognized Daniel Bonham and Cliff Bentz, and Dennis Ross who paved the way for the last twenty years in visiting with the legislators. He announced the City receiving a $200,000 anonymous donation from a friend of his.

REPORTS.

Chamber. Allison Bechtol reported on planning for Maupin Daze on May 19, writing letters of support for Kaiser Park and donkey trail projects, and a new blog on the Chamber website.

Public Works. Councilor Troutman reported on work during the month. They will be putting together an inventory of materials to have on hand for water line repairs.

Library. Mayor Ewing reported on work and plans for movie night, summer reading program, and Maupin Daze book sale.

Mayor. Mayor Ewing presented and summarized a written report on the success of getting $1.5 million from the Legislature, on the status of the Broadband project, Spring Clean Up dates, ODOT moving forward to apply for federal grants for the Donkey Trail and Riverwalk projects, status of Maupin Street project, the opening for a Temporary Utility Worker having been posted, and the City will be posting the summer park position as well.

Parks. Councilor Bechtol announced a meeting will be held tomorrow with Carrie Pipinich in preparation of writing the grant application for Kaiser Park project. He acknowledged Council's receipt of a list prepared by the park managers for the 2018-2019 budget.

Public Safety. Councilor Helquist reported on his continuing to review the County Emergency Operations Plan.

Capital Projects / Intergovernmental Relations. Councilor Ross reported work is continuing on the capital projects of the Clinic, Broadband, and Civic Center. He recognized the LOC training session coming up in Redmond available to Council. He attended a Shaniko Council meeting, and he and Mayor Ewing will attend their next meeting to talk about broadband and training opportunities. He reported on the Governor's proposed Business Oregon Opportunity Zone (BOOZ) project.

Governance. Councilor Knapp presented a publication, "A Quick Reference Guide to Oregon's Public Meetings Law" published November 2007 by Open Oregon: a Freedom of Information Coalition and the Oregon Attorney General's Office. She also presented a handout she prepared on excerpts from Oregon Revised Statutes 192.610 – 192.690 pertaining to public meetings.

Legion Hall. Councilor Helquist recognized an upcoming Dinner & Bingo fundraiser by Town & Country Players. The Committee is still trying to determine how much it will cost to get the Legion Hall in better shape.

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADDITION OF A NEW COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL TRANSITION (CRT) ZONE ON THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN/ZONING MAP, ADD ZONING TEXT TO THE CITY ZONING ORDINANCE, AND PLACE THAT ZONE ON SPECIFIC PROPERTIES IN THE CITY ABUTTING DESCHUTES AVENUE. Mayor Ewing acknowledged this hearing to be continued to April 25 for final Traffic Study.

CONSIDER CONTRACT WITH WESTBY ASSOCIATES. Michael Wilson recognized the work and relationships of Frank Kay, present and former mayors, community persons, and architect to bring the Civic Center project to present status and funding. He presented and reviewed an updated pie chart on the Library funding needs. He presented a Contract Renewal - Extended Services Professional Services Contract for April 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. Based on discussion, it was moved by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and unanimously passed; the Council approves continuation of Professional Services Contract with Westby Associates, Inc as proposed, and grants appropriate naming opportunity/name recognition placement in the new facility.

CONSIDER POLICY OF ZERO-TOLERANCE DRUG AND ALCOHOL, AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING POLICY. Mayor Ewing announced the purpose, it coming to the City's attention in conjunction with applying for federal grants. It was acknowledged this policy expands the present language in the employee's handbook. A Resolution to adopt this Policy was also presented. Based on review, it was motioned by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council adopts this Resolution No. 03282018-01 entitled, "A Resolution Adopting Personnel Policy Addendum Relating to City Employee Drug and Alcohol Policy".

CONSIDER RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR OPRD GRANT. Mayor Ewing acknowledged this Resolution is in follow up to the Council's approval at the last meeting to proceed with application to the Oregon Parks & Recreation Department for funding of development/improvements at Kaiser Park. It was moved by Councilor Knapp, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council adopts Maupin Resolution No. 03282018-02 entitled, "A Resolution Authorizing Application for Grant".

CONSIDER DISPOSAL OF CHAMBERLIN HOUSE AND CONTENTS. Mayor Ewing identified contents in the home to be a washer & dryer, refrigerator, stove, small table with 2 chairs, couch, lamp, and queen bed headboard. Based on discussion, it was motioned by Councilor Ross, seconded by Councilor Troutman, and unanimously passed; the Council declares all items of content in the Chamberlin house as surplus, and authorize Councilor Ross to seek the best way of disposal and come back to Council with recommendation. It was acknowledged the City will keep the sheds, placing the larger one at the City Park and the

smaller one at the reservoir yard. It was motioned by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council declares the Chamberlin house surplus and authorize Attorney Sumner to write up document to proceed with disposal of the house on a sealed bid basis at a minimum $1,000 and requirement of a $5,000 deposit refundable if the house is removed by July 31, 2018.

CONSIDER PARTICIPATION IN COUNTY-WIDE ENTERPRISE ZONE. Mayor Ewing announced Wasco County and the City of The Dalles are preparing to apply for a new Enterprise Zone and are opening the program opportunity to include all of Wasco County area. He and Attorney Sumner explained the program. There is a workshop available on April 3rd from 10 am to 3 pm at The Dalles City Hall to learn more on the program and process. The consideration tonight is to explore participation in this Enterprise Zone program, and then make decision in April. It was motioned by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council explore the option of participating in a County-wide Enterprise Zone.

CONSIDER INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ODOT FOR DONKEY TRAIL STUDY. Mayor Ewing reported this does not commit any funds, it is strictly an agreement to work with ODOT on the study and designate Public Works Foreman Shields as the City's consultant contact. In discussion, it was reported the property owner is in agreement of the project in theory. ODOT will manage an in-person survey of the community for input and deliver a map and list the materials required to complete the project. It was moved by Councilor Ross, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and passed on a vote of 4-0 with 1 abstain; the Council approves entering into the Intergovernmental Agreement with ODOT for the Donkey Trail Study. Councilor Knapp abstained for reason of wanting to see the written agreement.

DISCUSSION – NUISANCE ABATEMENT ENFORCEMENT. Mayor Ewing reported on complaints coming in and the need to explore alternatives if cannot come up with a Nuisance Abatement Officer. He has been in contact with the other cities who were interested in partnering for a Nuisance Abatement Officer to revisit this position. He affirmed none of the complaints are health issues. It was the consensus of the Council as a whole to respond to the complainant that the Council is working on a solution.

SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING: Continued hearing on CRT Zone. Enterprise Zone. Request Local Government Representative Scott Hege provide a report to the Council on the Lower Deschutes River Management after each Managers' meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PER ORS 192.660 (2)(h) TO CONSULT WITH COUNSEL ON CM/GC DETAILS. Mayor Ewing called Council into Executive Session at 8:47 pm and reconvened the open meeting at 8:57 pm.

ACTION SUBSEQUENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION. No action taken.

DISCUSSION OF FEBRUARY 20, 2018 COUNCIL MINUTES. Councilor Knapp requested a change to the last part of the minutes and will present the change to Recorder Patton.

NEXT MEETING. Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – Regular Council Meeting

ADJOURN. Mayor Ewing adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: _____
Lynn Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder