PRESIDING: Mayor Lynn Ewing

COUNCIL PRESENT: Lynn Ewing, Carol Rager, Randy Bechtol, Suzanne Knapp, Jon Helquist, Dennis Ross

COUNCIL ABSENT: Tom Troutman

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder DeOra Patton, Attorney Paul Sumner

Visitors Present: Karen DuPuis, Jim Holycross, Kathie Richey, Ralph Wimmer, Michael Wilson, Susan Wright, Denny Wright, Judy Sumner, Allison Bechtol, Nancy Wesson, Christine Wolfe

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 Recorder Patton. Mayor Ewing led council and audience in Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: A) Minutes of September 26, 2018 Council Meeting; B) Mayor/Councilor Monthly Finance Report; C) Payment of Invoices for September 2018. It was moved by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council approves Consent Agenda.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION.
Ralph Wimmer reminded everyone to vote.

Wasco County Sheriff Magill thanked the City and Chamber for sponsoring the Poker Run in Maupin, a Veteran war hero event.

REPORTS.

Planning Commission. Recorder Patton reported the Planning Commission will be postponing the zoning ordinance review for feedback on the economic opportunity analysis and building lands inventory. On inquiry, she announced a kickoff meeting with DLCD and Econorthwest is being scheduled for November 1st or 2nd.

Chamber. Allison Bechtol reported on the recent Business After Hours held in Tygh Valley, upcoming Board election, working on budget, upcoming Christmas Tree lighting event, technical services coming to community, and Mia Sheppard tendering her resignation as Coordinator.

Library. Librarian McPhearson reported on new hours of the Library and upcoming event; she introduced Library Assistant Nancy Wesson; and her progress in creating a Library Advisory Board.

Public Works. Mayor Ewing reported on the crew's progress with the installation of the playground structures at Mountain Fir Park.

Mayor. Mayor Ewing paraphrased his written report informing of the Lady Redsides Volleyball team going to State Tournament and the Redsides boys 6-man football playoff game in Madras on Saturday; his attendance to the Oregon Telecommunications Conference in Hood River – *the City of Maupin was recognized in conjunction with Q-Life and LS Networks for Excellence in Telecommunications Partnerships and presented with an award plague*; attendance to the Deschutes Basin Water Summit – he was able to reach a tentative agreement to have the Tribe, PGE, and ODFW in Maupin for further discussions about the river; Sharon DeHart being named 2018 Oregon Rural Health Hero of the Year; on advice of the Collins Foundation, he is helping Librarian McPhearson create a Library Advisory Board that is more diverse in regards to geography, age, and ethnicity than our Steering Committee to provide advice and suggestions to Library Staff regarding book selections, library events, library programs, and other aspects of moving to our new facility; meeting with Magnum Power and Wasco Electric to discuss possible moving of the siren to the Public Works/Fire Department compound and moving utilities in the alley between Kaiser Park and the Civic Center into underground conduit; construction meetings for the Civic Center taking place every Thursday at 1:00 on the building site; Maupin's Fall Cleanup Day on Saturday, October 27; MCEDD, WCEDC and Regional Solutions meeting in Maupin on Tuesday, November 27 to discuss projects which Maupin would like to have funded or partially funded by outside resources; Nuisance Abatement Officer Suenaga having begun work on the complaints on file at City Hall; and his meeting with Public Works Foreman Shields and Ryan Wraught to discuss possible school safety improvements to the intersection at 4th Street and Slusher Avenue near the cafeteria.

Parks. Councilor Bechtol reported he is planning to call the Kaiser Park group together around mid-November to readdress Kaiser Park remodel and reapplying for the Oregon Parks & Recreation Department grant. He recommended, pursuant to the Chamber receiving a grant for a bike repair station to install in Kaiser Park with a deadline completion date of May 2019, to have the City proceed with putting it in.

Public Safety. Councilor Helquist submitted he thinks the speed bumps on 4th Street will help. On inquiry to Sheriff Magill on possibility to get the speed sign reader, he will email a letter of request to Sheriff Magill.

Capital Projects. Councilor Ross reported, in attendance to a Wasco County Statewide Transportation Improvement Advisory Committee meeting, on discussion for expanding the

Link transportation to south Wasco County area. Discussion was also held on the Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) and ODOT looking at this program for a sidewalk access project in east Maupin.

Intergovernmental Relations. Councilor Ross reported on attending a session at the LOC Conference addressing affordable housing.

Governance. Councilor Knapp acknowledged information on the LOC website pertaining to Successful Code Enforcement and upcoming workshops for newly elected and returning city officials.

Legion Hall. Councilor Helquist reported on contact with National/State Department Vice-Commander John Webber. As to extending the lease with the City to 50 years, Mr. Webber agreed that as of right now that would probably be the best thing we could do, and Councilor Helquist does not think it will have a negative impact on grant requests. As to selling the property, the property belongs to the Legion Organization and money from a sale would go to the Organization.

CIVIC CENTER UPDATES & INFO.

a. **Funding Updates**. Michael Wilson presented and reviewed a written fundraising update report on proposals under review, proposals under development and proposals planned. The decline of funding by the Trustees of the Collins Foundation was acknowledged and recognition given to applying again in 2019 following more outreach efforts. Outreach efforts include the creation of the Library Advisory Board.
b. **Construction/Planning Updates**. Mayor Ewing reported the Phase I building permit is approved and in hand with the contractor, and the Phase II building permit is in process for submission. He reported on a septic tank being uncovered and removed.

CONSIDER SPONSORSHIP OF NATIVE AMERICAN STORYTELLER FOR LIBRARY. Mayor Ewing reported the storyteller is Ed Edmo and the cost is $350.00. Based on discussion and review of budget, he recommended the City pay the cost from the General Fund, the Librarian do the leg work to make the event happen and partner with the School on the event program and location. The event is planned for November 14th. It was motioned by Councilor Rager, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and unanimously passed; the City sponsor the Native American Storyteller event for $350.00.

NUISANCE ABATEMENT OFFICER UPDATE. Mayor Ewing reported the Nuisance Abatement Officer is doing well and has had discussions with people. Audience member Ralph Wimmer requested the process be that the NA Officer be the only one to see complaint and the City put in a complaint box. Mayor Ewing will work this out with Officer Suenaga. He reported Officer Suenaga has listed his cell phone number for calls.

CONSIDER DRAFT CITY OF MAUPIN TITLE VI PLAN. Based on discussion, it was motioned by Councilor Ross, seconded by Councilor Rager, and unanimously passed; the Council directs Attorney Sumner to update this Title VI Plan with suggestions from Councilor Knapp and alterations from the Mid-Columbia Economic Development District's Plan and any other suggestions from Council.

CONSIDER KAISER PARK TREES. Mayor Ewing reported on conversation with the tree trimming company contracted by Wasco Electric. Councilor Bechtol identified the plan for cutting down some trees in Kaiser Park. Based on discussion, it was motioned by Councilor Rager, seconded by Councilor Bechtol, and unanimously passed; the Council authorizes the mayor to look into getting some of the trees cut down by Wasco Electric.

SELECT DATES FOR:

a. **November Council Work Session**. November 20, 2018
b. **December Council Meeting**. December 19, 2018
c. **Holiday Dinner and Location**. Audience member Ralph Wimmer announced he returned the gift certificate presented to him for volunteer work on the Chamberlin house and he opposes the City Dinner as he does not think tax payer money should be spent on it. In discussion, Mayor Ewing proposed to have dinner at The Riverside or Imperial and identified invitees. Councilor Knapp proposed an alternative to have a potluck at the Legion Hall and open up to candidates, whoever would like to come, not restrict, and she would take on the organization of it. It was moved by Councilor Knapp, seconded by Councilor Ross, and passed on a 5 to 1 (Ewing) vote; the City have a potluck Christmas dinner at the Legion Hall and Councilor Knapp would be willing to help organize it. Mayor Ewing disclosed voting no in theory. December 15 was chosen for date.

COMMUNICATIONS. Recorder Patton reported on the City's Ordinance Codification project and presented a draft ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Provide for General Rules of Construction for the Codified Ordinances of the City of Maupin, Oregon", to be considered for adoption at the next regular council meeting.

SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING. November 28, 2018: Consider Draft Title VI Plan for City of Maupin. Consider for adoption "An Ordinance to Provide for General Rules of Construction for the Codified Ordinances of the City of Maupin, Oregon".

NEXT MEETING. Tuesday, November 20, 2018 – Meeting/Worksession
Wednesday, November 28, 2018 – Regular Meeting

ADJOURN. Mayor Ewing adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: _____
Lynn Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST: DeOra M Patton
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder