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MAUPIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING/WORKSESSION
November 20, 2018
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PRESIDING: Mayor Lynn Ewing

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder DeOra Patton, Attorney Paul Sumner

Visitors Present: Ingrid Dankmeyer, Don Jacklin, Brandon Mahon, 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.

CIVIC CENTER / LIBRARY UPDATES. Ingrid acknowledged the Westby contract due to expire the end of December. She presented and reviewed a proposed SWC Library capital campaign timeline/work plan through June 2019. Recognition was made to re-applying to the Collins Foundation in the Spring of 2019, currently working on application to the Ford Family Foundation, and funding goals. It was acknowledged the Council will consider to extend the Westby Associates Professional Services Contract at its November 28 Council meeting.

Mayor Ewing acknowledged weekly construction meetings are held every Thursday at 1:00 pm on site. He reported on concrete to be poured tomorrow. He affirmed the concrete tester would be on site.

DISCUSS WATER MASTER PLAN. Brandon Mahon of Anderson Perry & Associates presented a power point presentation of preliminary findings. The final document will be for a 20-year Plan.

CONSIDER PERSONNEL

- a. **Moving utility worker from temporary to permanent status.** Mayor Ewing requested, upon the six-month temporary employment time approaching, to make the second utility worker permanent. Based on discussion and review of budget, it was motioned by Councilor Ross and seconded by Councilor Troutman, the Council makes the Utility Worker a permanent full-time position as opposed to temporary. Following motion discussion, the motion passed on a vote of 5-0 with 1 abstain (Rager abstained on disclosure of being related to the employee).

- b. **City Manager**. Council was provided with the 16 January 2018 Job Description. Based on discussion, it was motioned by Councilor Rager, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council proceeds with pursuing the LOC options and move forward as City needs to do to hire a City Manager.

DISCUSS DLCD ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS. Mayor Ewing gave background and update on this project. The analysis consists of looking at commercial zoning and determining if have enough usable lands in those zones for the foreseeable future. This project has started. He acknowledged the advisory committee members, the committee meetings schedule having been set, a public meeting to be held on March 14, 2019, and then a final meeting in May.

DISCUSS FIRST IMPRESSIONS PROGRAM. Mayor Ewing explained the program, administered and funded by Rural Development Initiatives, which is essentially an analysis on how the community is perceived by visitors. A public information dinner by RDI will be held on December 19 at the High School to share the results and offer suggestions for improvement.

Mayor Ewing recommended changing the December Council Meeting to the 18th due to this schedule conflict.

CONSIDER BID FOR PHONE AND INTERNET SERVICES. Mayor Ewing reported having requested bids from GorgeNet and LSN for phone and internet services to all city facilities, and having received one bid from GorgeNet. Based on review of the bid, it was motioned by Councilor Rager, seconded by Councilor Ross, and unanimously passed; the Council enters into a 2-year contract with GorgeNet for phone and internet services for the City facilities.

CONSIDER MCEDD / WCEDC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR MAUPIN. Mayor Ewing acknowledged MCEDD / WCEDC's process for identifying/prioritizing Economic Development Plans in the region. He presented an update to the 2018 City projects. Additionally, discussion was held on having another Moving Maupin Forward/Community presentation of ideas session.

DINNER? Council was informed of Councilor Knapp's decision to not take the lead on the Potluck Christmas Dinner and reasons noted by her and Mayor Ewing. A discussion was held as to clarification on the proposal and decision made at the last council meeting to have a potluck dinner in lieu of a City paid dinner and invitees.

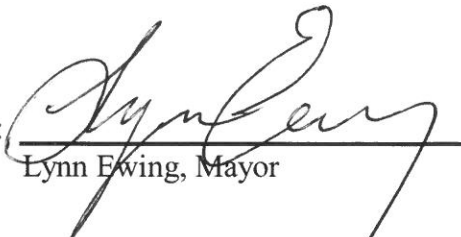
Audience member Don Jacklin submitted his support to the concept of a City paid dinner for officials and staff as was done in prior year.


Mayor Ewing announced this matter will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

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ADJOURN. Mayor Ewing adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: 
Lynn Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST: 
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder