PRESIDING: Mayor Lynn Ewing

COUNCIL PRESENT: Lynn Ewing, Suzanne Knapp, Randy Bechtol
Jon Helquist, Denis Carlsen

COUNCIL ABSENT: Carol Rager

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder DeOra Patton, Attorney Paul Sumner,
Public Works Operations Manager Joy Ramirez

Visitors Present: Judy Sumner, Karen DuPuis, Cristie Amaral, Phil Tolentino, Shirley Tolentino, Tamara Wimmer, Ralph Wimmer

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 August 16, 2016 Meeting; B) Minutes ofAugust 24, 2016 Meeting; C) Mayor/Councilor Monthly Finance Report; D) Payment of Invoices for August 2016. It was moved by Councilor Knapp, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and unanimously passed; the Council approves consent agenda as presented.

REPORTS.

Chamber. Chamber Coordinator Amaral presented and reviewed a written report telling of past and future events.

New Library Fund Raising Committee. Mayor Ewing reported he met with Mark Seder on floor plans. Mr. Seder will meet with staff and committee on October 12, then have a community presentation on October 22.

Fire. Member Helquist reported they want to see if the medical clinic will do physicals for the firemen.

Planning Commission. Commissioner Wimmer declared they need to have two meetings a month if want to have anything done on zoning.

Mayor. Mayor Ewing reported on his past and upcoming meetings with LOC (broadband, property tax, PERS reform), Oregon Connections Telecommunications, Regional Solutions (review of industrial lands), Wasco County Emergency Manager Justin Huffman (proposed meeting with Burlington Northern Railroad), Ron Peper (security cameras), and Matt Wyatt

(property owner of abandoned road (donkey trail) for feasibility of using trail for pedestrian path and emergency vehicle route). LGPI will send him more city manager job descriptions.

Public Works. Mayor Ewing reported Nick Smith has been hired to the position of Temporary Utility Worker starting October 1. This is a 90-day position with potential to continue following evaluation.

PWOM Ramirez reported the City has received its new NPDES permit for the sewerage plant that begins October 1, and she will start doing sample testing. On public inquiry regarding any impact of biosolids hauled to the land above the city, she reported the State now allows ability of other people to request biosolids, and the City does not have a lot of biosolids so it only hauls every seven years.

Economic Development – Maupin. Councilor Bechtol reported construction workers for the LSN project have already been in asking about rental houses. He acknowledged he is working with the President of the Chamber on plans for press release and media coverage to promote the fiber optic in town.

Economic Development – Mid-Columbia Economic Development Department. Councilor Knapp reported they will have their 3rd meeting at the end of this month on visions and goals. She attended some other city council meetings and encourages others to go to their meetings. South Wasco Alliance purchased a tuff shed with grant funds from Tri-County for storage of After School Program refundable bottles/cans, and she thanked George Barnett and family for property use and Randy Iverson for work on the site.

Broadband Technology and Telecommunications. Mayor Ewing reported fiber optic construction crews will start work in the next couple of weeks. The plan is to have the cell tower connected by January 1 and fiber optic throughout town completed by mid-March. LSN, CenturyLink, and GorgeNet will hold a Fiber Optic Kickoff Event at the High School on November 9 to discuss service plans.

Community Liaison. Councilor Helquist reported the Meet the Candidates held last night went well. Scott Hage did a very good job moderating it. There were about 40 people in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER FOR ADOPTION "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF MAUPIN ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 249 AND MAUPIN COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN NO. 270 BY CHANGING THE ZONE OF A PARCEL OF LAND FROM "OPEN SPACE (OS)"AND "LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LD-R)" TO "INDUSTRIAL (I)". For the record, notice of this hearing was published in The Dalles Chronicle and the City's Website, and posted locally. Copies of this ordinance was provided to Council and available for public inspection in advance of this hearing. Public hearings on this

rezone were held before the Maupin Planning Commission on July 12, 2016 and a hearing "de novo" held before the Maupin City Council on August 16, 2016.

There were no conflicts of interest/abstentions presented by any council member, and no challenge by any audience member of the Council or any of its members to hear this matter.

Mayor Ewing opened the public portion of the hearing at 6:52. Based on there being no public proponent nor opponent testimony, the public portion of the hearing was closed and deliberation called.

It was moved by Councilor Bechtol, seconded by Councilor Carlsen, and passed unanimously; the Council adopts this Ordinance as presented and assign No. 303.

WAYNE STOUT. DISCUSS WATER/SEWER DISCONNECTION AND SERVICE CHARGES. Mr. Stout spoke on his RV park being up for sale for health reasons and his plans for shutting down, capping off water/sewer/spigots over time. He reported he has 12-14 permanent people. It is a financial burden to him if he must pay water/sewer year around, and he requested to know how much he will be charged to shut down spaces (1, 2, 3 etc.)

Based on discussion, it was the consensus of Council for the mayor and attorney to proceed forward to work on developing some language to discontinue and disconnect specific sites.

CONTINUATION OF GENERAL DISCUSSION/STUDY SESSION OF MARIJUANA ORDINANCE. Mayor Ewing reported he went through this ordinance with Planning Commissioner Susan Wright. The minor changes made by Council in previous meetings were reviewed. Council consented to going forward in the process to adopt.

DECISION ON PARTICIPATION/NO PAY LOSS OF EMPLOYEES RESPONDING TO FIRE/AMBULANCE EMERGENCIES. Recognition was given to the Council discussing this matter at its last meeting, and request by Mayor Ewing for a council vote. PWOM Ramirez reported on the number of trips and hours of city time she spent on ambulance runs from 2014 to present. It was moved by Councilor Helquist, seconded by Councilor Bechtol, and unanimously passed; the Council passes a Resolution to add language to the Employees Handbook for participation/no pay loss of employees responding to fire/ambulance emergencies.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR DONATION TO THE LENORE WALTERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND. Mayor Ewing reported on this request for $1,000. Council again discussed creating a request form with criteria and report back to council on how money spent. It was moved by Councilor Knapp, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and passed unanimously; the Council accepts and authorizes donation to Lenore Walters Scholarship Fund of $1,000.

DISCUSS COMMUNITY HOLIDAY DINNER. Some members expressed a community dinner should be done by community. Based on further discussion, it was agreed to hold a City Dinner on December 16 consisting of Council, Planning Commission, and staff with the City purchasing the main course and rest of meal be potluck. Mayor Ewing will check on prices and possibilities with Imperial River Company and The Riverside and bring back that information to Council next month.

OPEN AGENDA.

Town Hall Meeting. Based on discussion, it was the consensus of Council to conduct a Town Hall Informational Meeting on the Marijuana Measures on Wednesday, October 19th from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS. Recorder Patton presented a Fiscal Year 2016-2017 financial report as of August 31, 2016.

Mayor Ewing reported he is assigning Councilor Helquist to participate in the Wasco County Emergency Management/Burlington Northern Santa Fe meeting to discuss response options in event of a train derailment.

Mayor Ewing announced the LOC is supporting a change in public notification law to the legislature. The change is publication on website instead of newspaper.

Mayor Ewing told of the testing of solar roadways. Information can be found on solarroadways.com

NEXT MEETING. October 18, 2016 and October 26, 2016

ADJOURN. Mayor Ewing adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: Lynn Ewing
Lynn Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST: DeOra M Patton
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder