PRESIDING: Mayor Karen DuPuis

COUNCIL PRESENT: Lynn Ewing, Frank Kay, Joe Ringo, Jon Helquist, Suzanne Knapp, Carol Rager

COUNCIL ABSENT: none

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder DeOra Patton, Public Works Director Mike Miles, Attorney Paul Sumner

Visitors Present: Gary Watson, Deborah Watson, Lyn Woodard, Mike Brice, Karen Brice, Roger Meeks, Jan Meeks, Dawna North, Cristie Amaral, Sherry Holliday, Mary Matherly, Tyler Stone, Steve Kramer, Kathie Richey, Ralph Wimmer, Tamara Wimmer

CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order by Mayor DuPuis at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL. Roll call of Council and staff was conducted by Recorder Patton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Mayor DuPuis led the council and audience in Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS.

1) Add possible decision on city park wireless internet service.
2) Add Wasco County Road Department Presentation.

CONSENT AGENDA: A) Approval of Council Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2014; B) Acknowledge Payment of Invoices for April 2014; C) Acknowledge Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Report of May 13, 2014;

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and approved unanimously; the Council approves consent agenda as presented.

WASCO COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION.

Wasco County Commissioner Steve Kramer, along with Sherry Holliday and Marty Matherly, gave a presentation on the county road department operational and financial condition. They requested the Council consider and make decision, within a week, to pass a resolution approving Wasco County Order to initiate formation of a Wasco County Road Service District and consider opt-in to the district. Mr. Kramer reported they have until June 26 to formalize to get on the voters ballot.

Based on discussion, it was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and unanimously approved; the Council holds a Special Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 to consider the Resolution and opt-in to the district.

REPORTS:

CHAMBER. A written MACC News report by Chamber Coordinator Amaral was presented telling of this year's RiverFest success, upcoming Maupin Madness Poker Run and Bike Show, the Maupin Road signs still in the works at the Bend ODOT sign office, the next Chamber meeting to be June 17, the 3rd Annual SWC Photo Contest ending June 1, and Maupin Positive Project on Facebook.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Public Works Director Miles reported the following: (1) Working on the city park internet. (2) Replacement of one city park RV sewerage pump and plan to rebuild the other pump at end of park season. (3) Some safety equipment ordered. (4) He is actively working on the employee performance evaluations.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Committee Chair Kay reported on RiverFest.

COMMUNITY LIAISON: Committee Chair Helquist reported on a citizen complaint he received of the cut grass at Mountain Fir Community Park being dumped over the bank at that park and of the asphalt path cracking.

Audience member Dawna North endorsed the deterioration of the path and unsightliness of the grass clippings.

EMERGENCY PLANNING: Committee Chair Knapp reported, on other business, the grant for a feasibility study for the Mack's to Mouth Trail has been submitted to State Parks.

ATTORNEY: Attorney Sumner reported on his review of the City's Local Contract Review Board Ordinance for update and due to it pretty much being out of date, he presented a new 23-page draft and suggested council hold a workshop to discuss. He reported on contact with City Planner Meader on affordable housing and on/off utility service rates and an exception would have to apply to the whole zone. An exception can be given for RV Parks. An alternative is developing something more city sponsored.

Based on discussion, it was moved by Councilor Knapp, seconded by Councilor Kay, and unanimously approved; the Council includes a worksession on housing to the worksession on infrastructure on July 22, and Attorney Sumner work with Mayor DuPuis to write a letter to the rafting outfitters about parking situation in town.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RATE INCREASES IN CITY PARK USER FEES

Park Committee Chair Rager presented a current and proposed rate schedule for discussion. She reported on the park revenue shortfall in the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget, of the last rate increase being in 2009 on only RV and tent sites, and transient lodging taxes occurring in 2010. She reported on her comparison study with other parks; Maupin is a little below except in the peak season where it is well below. She proposes establishing a peak (July & August) rate beginning 2015 for RV sites and Tent Sites, and acknowledged Park Manager Janet Vejar suggests a winter $20/day RV site fee.

Public input was received from Gary Watson, a monthly spring and fall RV customer of the park, as to the importance of rates for monthly customers and internet service. Deschutes Motel owner Dawna North recognized the hardship and understanding to have to increase rates.

On motion by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and unanimously approved, the public portion of the hearing was closed and deliberation of the council was called.

Councilor Rager acknowledged the RV campers present at this meeting tonight do get their RV sites at ½ the rate.

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and unanimously approved; the Council raises the park user fees, excluding raft beach access and stop for use of park fees, to be effective July 1, 2014 as proposed by Councilor Rager, and any reservations made prior to July 1 be accepted at current rate.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RATE INCREASE IN SEWER SERVICE FEE

Recorder Patton gave a recap of the budget committee's consideration, revisions, and recommendation to address the shortfall in the sewerage system fund and funding of replacements of some sewer lines and a clarifier driver.

Councilor Ewing recognized the sewer has to operate on a self-sustaining basis, cover its expenses, and an impact to cover expenses is bonds and loans. Councilor Kay recognized uncontrollable expense increases and of the proposed $2.00 fee increase follows the Council's, 10-15 year, plan to have small increases.

Public questions were received and answered. It was confirmed the sewerage system revenue shortfall is about $10,000.

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and approved on a vote of 6 to 1 (Nay: Rager); the Council increases the monthly residential and commercial sewer use fee $2.00 and like percentage on other customers.

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Kay, and approved on a vote of 6 to 1 (Nay: Rager); the Council adopts Resolution No. 05272014 Ratifying a Revision to Water and Sewer Hookup Fees and Monthly Service Charges as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF MAUPIN ORDINANCE NO. 296 DECLARING A MORATORIUM ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES

For the record, this ordinance was adopted, under emergency clause, at the council meeting of April 23, 2014 and scheduled for public hearing tonight to ratify.

Public input was received from Dawna North, Sheriff Rick Eiesland, and Ralph Wimmer.

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Rager, and approved on a 6 to 0 vote with 1 abstain (Abstain: DuPuis); the Council ratifies the adoption of Maupin Ordinance No. 296 Declaring a Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Facilities.

CONSIDER PROPANE VENDOR BIDS

Bids were presented from Cascade Propane and Pacer Propane. Also, a letter from Ed Simonson of Rainbow Tavern telling of his cost savings with switching to Pacer Propane was presented. Based on the bids being incomparable for lack of specifications, it was moved by Councilor Rager, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and approved on a 6 to 1 vote (Nays: DuPuis); the City puts out a request for bids for propane service, to companies in The Dalles and Madras, with Councilor Ringo preparing the bid specifications.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION TO SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS BY TYGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

Council was presented with a letter from TSCC Chairperson Robert Bertalot requesting a $1,000 contribution from the City's Senior Citizens Program Contribution Fund (State Revenue Sharing funds) to help the TSC Center with program services of public and medical van/bus transportation and weekly lunch services, each of which includes Maupin Seniors.

It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Mayor DuPuis, and unanimously approved; the Council contributes $1,000 from the City's 2013-2014 fiscal year funds to the Tygh School Community Center, Inc. for its senior services programs.

CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT HIRE FOR PART-TIME MAUPIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT OFFICE SUPPORT CLERK

Council was provided with an application filed with the City and copy of the job description. Based on discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to post notice of the job announcement to June 24, 2014. On further discussion, it was moved by Mayor DuPuis, seconded by Councilor Ewing, and unanimously approved; the Council authorizes Fire Chief Troutman to hire a temporary person to July 1 to do any essential records of attendance and fire reports now needed.

CONSIDER INTERNET SERVICE IN CITY PARK

Councilor Ewing reported on current status with GorgeNet, looking at agreement to provide free wifi service and estimate of cost for equipment and installation. He acknowledged the park office and park grounds are separate services. He requested authorization to negotiate covering equipment charge for free wifi maintenance. It was moved by Councilor Kay, seconded by Councilor Knapp, and unanimously approved; the Council authorizes Councilor Ewing to move ahead with negotiation covering equipment up to $3,000.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Council was provided with a May 8 letter from Mel Barlow consenting to the City to contract out the hauling of the comingle recycling box, and a May 15 letter from The Dalles Disposal to provide services of the City's co-mingled recycling containers for $180 per haul effective immediately.

Council was provided with the Bank Statements of City accounts with Columbia State Bank, Rivermark Community Credit Union, and Office of the State Treasurer Local Government Investment Pool.

NEXT MEETING. Special Council Meeting – June 10, 2014
Regular Council Meeting – June 25, 2014

ADJOURN. Mayor DuPuis adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: Karen DuPuis
Karen DuPuis, Mayor

ATTEST: DeOra M Patton
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder