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MAUPIN CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
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PRESIDING: Mayor Frank Kay

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: Carol Rager

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder DeOra Patton, Attorney Paul Sumner

Visitors Present: Ralph Wimmer, Tamara Wimmer, Karen DuPuis, Kathie Richey, Susan Wright, Gene Barnett, Candy Barnett, Scott Hege, Steve Kramer

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kay at 6:00 p.m. Roll call of Council and staff was conducted by Recorder Patton. Mayor Kay led council and audience in Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING TO TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- A) **An Ordinance of the City of Maupin Declaring a Ban on Medical Marijuana Processing Sites, Medical Marijuana Dispensaries; Referring Ordinance; and Declaring an Emergency**
- B) **An Ordinance of the City of Maupin Declaring a Ban on Recreational Marijuana Producers, Recreational Marijuana Processors, Recreational Marijuana Wholesalers, and/or Recreational Marijuana Retailers; Referring Ordinance; and Declaring an Emergency**
- C) **An Ordinance of the City of Maupin Declaring a Ban on the Sale of Recreational Marijuana by Medical Marijuana Dispensaries, and Declaring an Emergency**
- D) **A Resolution Approving Referral to the Electors of the City of Maupin the Question of Banning Medical Marijuana Processing Sites and Medical Marijuana Dispensaries Within the City**
- E) **A Resolution Approving Referral to the Electors of the City of Maupin the Question of Banning Recreational Marijuana Producers, Recreational Marijuana Processors, Recreational Marijuana Wholesalers, and/or Recreational Marijuana Retailers Within the City**

For the record, notice of this hearing was published in The Dalles Chronicle, on the City's website, and posted locally. Copies of the Ordinances and Resolutions were provided to Council and available to obtain at city hall in advance of this hearing.

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Mayor Kay announced the purpose of the public hearing and order/conduct of hearing. On poll, there were no conflicts disclosed by any Councilmember and no objection by any audience member for the Council or any of its members to hear the matter.

Mayor Kay opened the hearing. Based on motion by Councilor Helquist, seconded by Councilor Bechtol, and unanimously passed; Mayor Kay read each of the three Ordinances and two Resolutions by title only.

Proponents Tamara Wimmer, Gene Barnett and Candy Barnett spoke in favor of adopting the ordinances and resolutions, referring the issue to the voters and the City use the time to come up with regulations should the voters overturn.

For the record, there was no verbal or written public opposition submitted.

Mayor Kay closed the public portion of the hearing and informed of the voting regulations applicable to adoption of ordinances; a unanimous vote to adopt the ordinances tonight and take effect immediately, otherwise, if not unanimous, a second meeting would be scheduled/held and take effect 30 days thereafter. In deliberation of the Council, it was recognized the ordinances/ban would not affect any current licensed businesses and would not have any affect on Medical Marijuana Cardholders (Patients/Caregivers/Growers). It was acknowledged there are no current licensed marijuana businesses in the City of Maupin. Councilor Carlsen spoke on democracy and requested there be a sunset clause, and further shared reports of Colorado Court Cases indicating positive results following the legalization of marijuana in that State to include decreased crime rate, traffic fatalities, and more. Mayor Kay submitted the ballot, vote of people, would be sunset, and adoption of the ordinances would provide the City with time to come up with some regulations should the voters elect to allow marijuana businesses in town. Councilor Ewing submitted that both positive and negative information can be obtained and he endorsed the City needs some regulations in place so can refer to voters and ask how they want the City to proceed. Council discussed preparation of establishing rules and regulations for marijuana businesses in the City between now and November 2016; to work with the Maupin Planning Commission, to have discussion with the Chamber and representatives (Chamber Board, Mayor Kay, Councilor Helquist, Councilor Bechtol, Karen DuPuis) on business licensing, and have rules/regulations in place within 4 to 6 months. It was moved by Councilor Ewing, seconded by Councilor Helquist, and unanimously passed; the Council adopts the three Ordinances, No's 299, 300 and 301 consecutively, and the two Resolutions, No's 10202015-01 and 10202015-2 consecutively, as written.

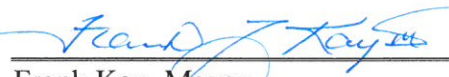
DISCUSS EMPLOYEE VACATION ACCRUAL UPDATE. Based on discussion, it was moved by Councilor Helquist, seconded by Councilor Bechtol, and unanimously passed; the Council amends the Employee Handbook changing the 80 hour carry over to a cap of 240 hours and it is up to the manager/mayor to monitor.


AGENDA ADDITION – COMMUNICATION. Mayor Kay reminded/invited everyone to attend the WebWorks: Anywhere! Forum on November 12, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Councilor Helquist encouraged Council, between now and next meeting, to think about a next Town Hall meeting. Recognition/discussion was held as to not seeing much difference between the town hall meeting and a regular council meeting, so schedule town hall meetings as needed.

ADJOURN. Mayor Kay adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
DeOra M Patton, Recorder

SIGNED: 
Frank Kay, Mayor

ATTEST: 
DeOra M. Patton, Recorder