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MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL  
JULY 18, 2011  
7:00 PM

Members present were Mayor Don Godbey, Council members Patricia Gettys, Bob Cook, Gabe Hunter, James Kennedy, and Michael Reynolds. Councilman Dale Black was out of town. City Attorney John Duggan and City Administrator Trey Eubanks were also present.

1. Call to order.- Mayor Godbey
   a. Invocation- Councilman Reynolds
   b. Pledge of Allegiance- Councilwoman Gettys
   c. Welcome- Mayor Godbey

2. Proclamations and Presentations- Pat Pomeroy, Mauldin Chamber; George McLeer, Mauldin Cultural Center; Scott Wingo proclamation
   
   Mayor Godbey read the proclamation for Scott Wingo. His older brother and father were present. Scott’s father talked about how dear Mauldin is to him and his family and how much they appreciated the Scott Wingo Day event last Sunday.

   George McLeer said the board meeting went well. They are focused on continuing to grow. The next meeting is August 1st. The landscape project should have some activity in the next couple of months.

   Trey reported for the chamber. The chamber is active and Trey included a calendar of events.

3. Reading and approval of minutes.- June 20, 2011
   
   Councilman Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Reynolds seconding. The vote was unanimous (6-0).
4. Public Comment.

Baxter Tisdale, Jr: I am from 787 East Butler Road, Mauldin, SC 29662. Council, Mayor, how are you guys doing? I just wanted to comment and reiterate one more time about the law you guys are thinking about passing on no onsite sale of alcohol past 2:00 a.m. Again, it is an awesome idea. We ourselves as a business here lately have had a couple of problems with things related to late night party life. We are open and selling alcohol and that whole atmosphere. The law you are thinking about passing only proves the point. It won't do anything but help.

The individuals involved could have made a better decision, but they didn't. Being able to cut back on sales and close earlier will help the staff and the patrons and customers of Mauldin. Thank you. It is an awesome idea.

5. Report from City Administrator

Trey reported on the landscaping improvements at the cultural center. We have been waiting on the permit from DHEC. It is in Columbia now and we expect to get it within the next week or two. After the permit is issued, we will issue a notice to proceed. Once the contractors get mobilized they will need 30-60 days to complete the work. We should see a great transformation by November. There will be an amphitheatre installed as well as the veteran’s memorial. Also, the parking lot and grounds will be improved.

National Night Out is August 2nd at 5:30 p.m.

RFQs are due August 11th for the energy management plan. If we feel like it is a program we will benefit from, we will bring this back to the Finance committee in September.

6. Reports from Standing Committees

a. Finance and Policy (Chairman Reynolds)
   i. Reports and Communication from Finance Director

   Holly Abercrombie reported that we are still expecting a check in August to be accrued to June. We should have an estimate of where we will end up budget-wise at the August council meeting. A lease purchase RFP was sent out to the area banks to get the lowest interest rate. The bid opening will be August 11th.

b. Planning and Economic Development (Chairman Hunter)
   i. Reports and Communications from Building and Zoning Director.

   Peter Nomikos reported that 127 permits were issued in June. Construction activity continues in several subdivisions and a few commercial buildings are coming along nicely. The number of permits issued doubled from November and December. Chairman Hunter asked about the dentist office on West Butler. Peter Nomikos said he has moved
into 511 West Butler for the time being. The building is not complete yet. Construction will probably begin this fall.

c. Recreation (Chairwoman Gettys)
i. Reports and Communications from Recreation Director

Van Brannon thanked everyone for their help and participation in Scott Wingo Day. A lot of hard work was done by all departments.

The seniors had a July 4th luncheon that went well. Football signups start today and cheerleading practice starts this week. The summer fun program is going very well and has more kids this year than previous years. The preschoolers took a Zumba class and loved it. Summer bash is still in the planning stages, but the department has had a lot of calls about the bbq cook-off.

d. Fire (Chairman Black)
i. Reports and Communications from Fire Chief

Chief Sapp reported the fire construction meeting is in the morning at 9:00 a.m. The building is changing very fast and looks really good. The first full week in October is Fire Prevention Week. This year we are doing something different. We are going to have a fair and invite the schools, churches and daycares to get participation from the kids. The fire safety house will be set up. During that week, a puppet show will be scheduled to try to get most of the kids to come at once.

Councilman Hunter mentioned that this can be advertised on our new cable channel when it is ready. Chief Sapp said he would like to put a snippet on the channel for fire extinguisher training and other things.

e. Police (Chairman Cook)
i. Reports and Communications from Police Chief.

Chief Turner reported the girl’s graduation went well and the courtroom was full. The boys will graduate next Friday. Chief Turner mentioned that city businesses as well as out of city restaurants are donating lunches for them and he appreciates their willingness to help us with the camp.

ii. Reports and Communications from Municipal Clerk of Court / Administrative Judge- The report is on file.

f. Public Works (Chairman Kennedy)
i. Reports and Communications from PW Director

Greg Fincher reported that 60 trailers have been picked up full of brush and limbs from the storms we have been having. Insituform is relining pipe now. CoTransCo will start on street paving soon.
Kids from Mauldin First Baptist came over and helped paint the football stadium at Springfield Park. We appreciate the community service and it was a very nice gesture.

Councilman Reynolds asked about the ReWa presentation and was answered that the presentation will be July 27th.

7. Unfinished Business
   a. Consideration and action on alcohol ordinance (Police)
      Chairman Cook made a motion to accept this ordinance on its second and final reading. Councilman Hunter seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).

8. New Business
   a. Consideration and action on annexation of 40 acres near Pillowtex (PEDC)
      Chairman Hunter made a motion to accept this ordinance on first reading. Councilwoman Gettys seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).
   b. Consideration and action on an executive session to receive legal advice on a business license matter. (Committee of the Whole)
      Councilman Hunter made a motion to go into executive session. Councilman Kennedy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).

      No action was taken in session.

9. Public Comment.- None


11. Adjournment.- Mayor Godbey adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk