

**MINUTES
MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 16, 2013
7:00 PM**

Members present were Mayor Dennis Raines, Councilmembers Patricia Gettys, Gabe Hunter, Bob Cook, Scott Crosby, Dale Black and Larry Goodson. City Attorney John Duggan and City Administrator Trey Eubanks were also present.

1. Call to order. – Mayor Raines
 - a. Invocation- Councilman Hunter
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance- Councilman Hunter
 - c. Welcome- Mayor Raines
2. Proclamations and Presentations- Mauldin Chamber; Constitution week proclamation

Trey reported on the chamber Memberfest on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at ICAR. Mayor Raines read the Constitution Week proclamation.
3. Reading and approval of minutes. - August 19, 2013- Councilman Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Crosby seconding. Councilman Black asked if the minutes from last month had been amended to show \$49,000 for the cultural center. They have been changed. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
4. Public Comment.- None
5. Report from City Administrator- Trey reported on the employee health fair that will be October 15th from 7:30-11:00 a.m. at the Sports Center.

Last Friday, the City had a lunch and learn with 73 employees participating.

The Red Cross should get us some more information on what they can do to help our flood victims. There is a meeting going on tonight between the affected residents and some representatives from the State.

A public meeting was held on the draft sign ordinance. Kim has folded some suggestions from the meeting into the draft council has currently. It will come before Council on first reading in October.

Bids are due at the end of October for the cultural center improvements. This will be considered by council at the November meeting.

Councilman Hunter told everyone of the BBQ event this Friday and Saturday at the cultural center. 22 cookers will come and have their bbq and other foods judged. There will be samplings, plate and bulk bbq sales, giveaways, and activities for children. We are expecting about 3000 people to come to the event over two days.

6. Reports from Standing Committees

a. Recreation (Chairwoman Gettys)

- i. Reports and Communications from Recreation Director- Van reported that 2200 Seniors participated in programs this month. Cheerleading and fall baseball are starting.

b. Public Safety (Chairman Cook)

- i. Reports and Communications from Police Chief- K9 medical equipment- Madison Jones, a student at Woodmont High School, spoke about the K9 medical bags she donated as part of a class project for our police dogs.

Officer George Miller told council that Mauldin had received an award for the underage alcohol checks the City does. We have the lowest rate in the County. This is the fourth award the City has received from the Phoenix Center.

ii. Reports and Communications from Municipal Clerk of Court /

Administrative Judge- Angela reported that over 700 cases had been disposed of. She also said that she, Michelle New, and Amy Baker gave a last-minute presentation to a Girl Scout Troop on Saturday and they want to help with some of our events. The troop will come to a future council meeting.

- iii. Reports and Communications from Fire Chief.- Chief Sapp reported the response time is 2.8 minutes. 206 total calls were run in August. Councilman Cook said he spoke to a gentleman on Edgewood Drive who had suffered a heart attack. He was very appreciative of the job the fire department did when they responded to his home to help.

- c. Planning and Economic Development (Chairman Hunter)
 - i. Reports and Communications from the Economic Developer- John reported that Sarah's Kitchen is waiting on the purchase of a grease interceptor so that they can open. 1400 Old Stage Road has had some interest. One firm has made two visits to the site.

 - ii. Office of Cultural Affairs report- George reported there have been a lot of activities at the cultural center. There are several Christmas activities planned and a Jazz Concert in October.

- d. Public Works (Chairman Goodson)
 - i. Reports and Communications from the PW Director- Mike reported two complete rounds have been done to our storm water drainage system for cleaning and repair. The department is reviewing codes for trash cans and limbs and debris pickup.
PW will be involved with the BBQ cook-off this weekend. They will be picking up trash and have a booth to promote our recycling program as well as educating citizens on the services we offer.

Mayor Raines asked about the Pub Works software. Mike said the department is currently using its work order program. He is meeting with our GPS and GIS systems to get everything coordinated through Pub Works. Mayor Raines asked if it would be able to generate reports. Mike answered yes. Councilman Black asked if it could track maintenance costs of equipment and Mike said yes, the system can do that as well.

e. Finance and Policy (Chairman Black)

- i. Reports and Communications from Finance Director- The financials will be presented at the November council meeting by our auditors. Chairman Black asked if some money will be returned to the fund balance. Holly answered yes.

f. Building Codes (Chairman Crosby)

- i. Reports and Communications from Business and Development Services Director.- Permit activity is increasing. Business license revenue is coming in steadily.

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

- a. Consideration and action on annexation of 23 Old Mill Road (Committee of the Whole)- This is a warehouse at the railroad tracks. Chairman Hunter made a motion to approve the rezoning and annexation on first reading. This will be for I1 zoning. Councilwoman Gettys seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
- b. Consideration and action on rezoning of 1145 East Butler Road (Committee of the Whole)- Chairman Hunter made a motion to accept this rezoning on first reading. It will be C2. This is on East Butler near Tanner Road. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion. Councilman Black asked why this did not come through committee first. Trey said rezonings could come through committees going forward. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
- c. Executive session to receive legal counsel regarding recreation (Committee of the Whole)- Councilwoman Gettys made a motion to go into executive session with Councilman Hunter seconding. The vote was unanimous (7-0).

No decision was made or action taken in executive session. Session adjourned at 9:29 pm.

9. Public Comment- Pat Taylor asked how much the bbq would be. A sampler is \$10.00, plates are \$5.00 and pint bbq will be \$5.00. The event is free.

10. Council requests.

11. Adjournment. – Mayor Raines adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk