

**MINUTES
MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 18, 2013
7:00 PM**

Members present were Mayor Dennis Raines, Council members Dale Black, Larry Goodson, Scott Crosby, Gabe Hunter, Patricia Gettys and Bob Cook. City Administrator Trey Eubanks and City Attorney John Duggan 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; Mauldin Cultural Center; National Day of Prayer announcement

Trey Eubanks mentioned that there is a BAH this week at First Citizens Bank. The Golden Strip Chambers are working together to put an event together on Tuesday, March 26th at 1:30 p.m. here at city hall. Transportation Secretary Robert St. Ange is coming to Mauldin.

George McLeer reported that Betty Thacker, the Chair of the Cultural Center Board has resigned for health reasons. Summer camp will kick off this year.

Jerry Smith asked council for permission to have the National Day of Prayer event at the cultural center or at city hall on May 2nd.

3. Reading and approval of minutes.- February 25, 2013- Councilman Crosby made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Black seconding. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
4. Public Comment.- None
5. Report from City Administrator- Trey reported 5 bids were received for the cultural center roof. The bids are currently being reviewed and will come to the Recreation committee in April.

DOT had a bid opening on the 385/Butler interchange on March 14th.

The Easter Egg drop is this coming Saturday.

The first budget workshop is tomorrow in council chambers. Next week's budget meeting will be held at the Senior Center at 6:00 p.m.

The City will help promote Autism awareness in April.

The train show will be May 30th, June 1st and June 2nd and then again June 7th and 8th.

The wellness program is going well. We had a large turnout for the lunch and learn on Friday.

6. Reports from Standing Committees

a. Recreation (Chairwoman Gettys)

- i. Reports and Communications from Recreation Director- Van Brannon reported the Senior program is going well.

The biggest loser program participants are losing a lot of body fat.

The Easter Egg Hunt is this Saturday. A rain date will possibly be next Saturday.

The road race has raised about \$150,000 over the 4-5 years we have held it for SIDS. Councilman Goodson asked if we could bring the Ware's to a council meeting.

b. Public Safety (Chairman Cook)

- i. Reports and Communications from Police Chief- Recognition of new officers- Anthony Taylor and LaQuendin Counts were sworn in as new officers.

The Citizen's Police Academy is going well.

- ii. Reports and Communications from Municipal Clerk of Court /
Administrative Judge- Angela's report is on file.
- iii. Reports and Communications from Fire Chief.- Chief Sapp reported the
fire department is ISO class 2 effective June 1, 2014.

Lt. Gary Brinkley is doing better. Chief thanked everyone who
participated in the walk on Sunday for Gary.

The response time for the month is 2.8 minutes.

- c. Planning and Economic Development (Chairman Hunter)
 - i. Reports and Communications from the Economic Developer- John
reported that a national auto parts retailer would be locating on North Main
Street. QT should be open in July.
- d. Public Works (Chairman Goodson)
 - i. Reports and Communications- Trey reported that we may have an
announcement in PW soon. ACA Sapp has stepped in to handle the
administrative day to day operations in the department.

Councilman Black asked if Randy Kuzniar's concerns in Knollwood were
addressed. Trey answered we took care of everything we could.

- e. Finance and Policy (Chairman Black)
 - i. Reports and Communications from Finance Director- Holly reported that
the budget workshop is tomorrow night. Budgets look good. Property tax
revenues look good. Business licenses are due in April.

- f. Building Codes (Chairman Crosby)
 - i. Reports and Communications from Business and Development Services Director. – Kim reported permits are still steady and slightly increasing. 37 commercial permits were given. Residential activity is starting to pick up again. Diana Kidd, the new permit facilitator, started today.
7. Unfinished Business – None
- a. Approval of Dock Dogs event and associated ordinance (Rec)-
Chairwoman Gettys made a motion to accept this ordinance on final reading. Councilman Cook seconded the motion. Councilman Black asked if another motion needed to be made to accept the Dock Dogs event. They said approval of the ordinance would approve the event. The events application has already been submitted. Councilman Goodson asked if this would approve all events. Could council not allow a future event? John Duggan said that if council was not comfortable with an event, they can disallow anything as long as the reason is not arbitrary or capricious. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
 - b. Zoning Ordinance amendment Article 8 Administration (Building Codes)-
Chairman Crosby made a motion to accept the ordinance on second reading. Councilman Goodson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).
8. New Business
- a. CDBG resolution (Committee of the Whole)- Chairwoman Gettys made a motion to accept this year's CDBG resolution. Councilman Hunter seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).
 - b. Appointment to Planning Commission (Building Codes)- Melissa Thomas was appointed to the planning commission by ballot.
 - c. Consideration and action on Zoning Ordinance amendment Article 10 Notice of Hearing (Building Codes)- Chairman Crosby made a motion to pass this ordinance on first reading. There will be a few revisions before second reading. Councilwoman Gettys seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).

- d. Consideration and action on Zoning Ordinance amendment Article 5 Commercial Fencing Regulations (Building Codes)- Chairman Crosby made a motion to accept this ordinance on first reading. Councilman Black seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).
- e. Executive session for personnel matter (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Black made a motion to go into executive session to talk about the administrator's evaluation and to talk about a possible approval of the appointment of a new Public Works Director. Councilwoman Gettys seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).

Chairman Goodson made a motion to approve the City Administrator's appointment of a new PW Director. Councilman Hunter seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).

Councilman Black reported that no action was taken on the administrator's evaluation.

9. Public Comment

Pat Taylor: This is chapter 2 of dogs. We still have the 4 dogs next to us. All of these dogs are big. They have been digging holes under the fence. One of the dogs got in the fence where another dog was. I think I am going to have the dog catcher come out and see if they are licensed. I just wanted to let you know that this is still going on.

I also want you to know how much I am enjoying the ice cream place. I will tell you, there is almost not enough parking there. With the drive thru, and everything. Sunday night is very hard to get in there.

10. Council requests.

11. Adjournment.- Mayor Raines adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk