

MINUTES
MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 15, 2021, 7PM
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD

Members present were Mayor Terry Merritt, Council members Carol King, Taft Matney, Jason Kraeling, Dale Black, and Michael Reynolds. Councilwoman Diane Kuzniar was present via Zoom.

Others present were City Administrator Brandon Madden and City Attorney John Duggan.

1. Call to Order- Mayor Merritt
 - a. Invocation- Councilman Kraeling
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance- Councilman Kraeling
 - c. Welcome Mayor Terry Merritt
2. Proclamations and Presentations- Mayor Merritt read the two proclamations for MHS basketball and June Crawley. Willie Stewart and Andre Clark of the Recreation Department handed out the certificates for the Recreation players.
 - a. MHS Boys Basketball
 - b. Mauldin Recreation SCAP State Champions: 12U Boys; 10U Boys; 8U Boys; & 10U Girls
 - c. Recognition of City Employee June Crawley
3. Public Hearing- The meeting adjourned into the public hearing.
 - a. Greenville County Redevelopment Authority – Imma Nwobodu

Ms. Nwobodu presented the GCRA plan and resolution for this year’s CDBG and HOME funds.

Mayor Merritt reconvened the meeting at 8:15 p.m.
4. Reading and Approval of Minutes
 - a. City Council Meeting: February 15, 2021

Motion: Councilman Matney made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilwoman King seconding.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).
5. Public Comment- None
6. Report from City Administrator-City Administrator Brandon Madden reported that the fiscal year budget process has commenced. There is a draft budget on the website. The next budget workshop will be April 1st at 6:00 p.m.

City Administrator Madden then recognized Chief Bryan Turner, who will be retiring next month. He thanked him for the job he has done at the City and congratulated him on his retirement. Lt. George Miller will be acting Chief.

7. Report from Standing Committees

- a. Finance and Policy (Chairperson Reynolds)
- b. Public Safety (Chairperson King)- Chairwoman King thanked Chief Turner for his 26 years of service in law enforcement, 15 of that in Mauldin.
- c. Public Works (Chairperson Kraeling)
- d. Economic Planning and Development (Chairperson Matney)
- e. Building Codes (Chairperson Kuzniar)
- f. Recreation (Chairperson Black)- Chairman Black said he appreciates all the hard work the Sports Center, Recreation, and Senior Center staff put into our City programs.

8. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business.

9. New Business

Ordinances – First Reading

- a. An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property owned by Tommy Steele Kay, and located at 409 E. Butler Road (Tax Map Parcel: #0546.01-01-032.00), by one hundred percent petition method; and to establish a zoning classification of C-2, commercial, for said property

Motion: Chairwoman Kuzniar made a motion to approve this ordinance on first reading with Councilman Black seconding.

Councilman Black said this is the property across from Pavan Food Store.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- b. An ordinance to amend the Mauldin zoning ordinance to introduce a table of allowed uses applicable to various zoning districts, provide descriptions of the uses allowed, provide additional standards for conditional and special exception uses, introduce general building design standards, amend the nonconforming use standards, and other related amendments

Motion: Chairwoman Kuzniar made a motion to approve this ordinance on first reading with Councilman Black seconding.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

Standing Committee Items

- c. A Resolution to rename Centerpointe Boulevard to Bridgeway Boulevard

Motion: Chairwoman Kuzniar made a motion to approve this resolution with Councilman Black seconding.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- d. Amendment to Social Media Policy

Motion: Chairman Reynolds made a motion to approve the policy amendment with Councilwoman King seconding.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- e. A Resolution to Approve the Purchase of Property Located at 206 Libby Lane

Motion: Chairman Reynolds made a motion to approve the purchase and allow the Mayor to execute the contract and any other documents necessary with Councilwoman King seconding.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- f. Corporate and Unincorporated Organization Resolution

Motion: Chairman Reynolds made a motion to adopt this resolution with Councilwoman King seconding.

Chairman Reynolds said he would like to name the City officer on this account. City Administrator Madden said he could be named as the official on the document.

Motion: Chairman Reynolds made a motion to amend his original motion to name City Administrator Brandon Madden as the official on the account. Councilman Matney seconded the motion.

Action: The amendment of the motion was unanimous (7-0).

Action: The motion as amended was unanimous (7-0).

Councilman Kraeling said this requirement is not specific to a particular bank but is a federal requirement. Chairman Reynolds said he believes it is important to protect our employee's privacy and does not agree with this regulation.

- g. Amendment to Wrecker Fee Schedule

Motion: Chairwoman King made a motion to accept the wrecker fee schedule as presented to Council. Councilman Reynolds seconded the motion.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- h. Electrical upgrade for the Cultural Center for the Beachin' Christmas Event Programming

Motion: Chairman Matney made a motion to approve this electrical upgrade not to exceed \$15,000 to launch Beachin' Christmas and for use by other cultural center activities. Councilman Kraeling seconded the motion.

Councilman Black asked if this funding would be coming from hospitality and accommodations. Mr. Broad answered yes.

Councilwoman King said the idea of Beachin' Christmas was brought up in 2018 and did not get any traction. She is excited this item is being brought back up.

Councilman Reynolds said normally he would like to see something like this come out of CIP and be budgeted, but he is in favor of it.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- i. Amendment to Engineering Agreement

Motion: Chairman Kraeling made a motion to accept this amendment to the Frazier Engineering agreement. Councilman Reynolds seconded the motion.

Chairman Kraeling said this is not a budgetary change, it is a change in the scope of work.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

- j. Motion to enter into Executive Session for consideration of a contractual matter related to the Project FD as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70 (a)(2)

Motion: Councilwoman King made a motion to go into executive session. Councilman Kraeling seconded the motion.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

Mayor Merritt reconvened the council meeting at 9:25 pm. Councilman Matney reported out that no decisions were made, and no action taken.

- k. Possible action on items discussed in Executive Session- None

Committee of the Whole

- l. Resolution for allocation of Greenville County CDBG and Home funds for program year 2021

Motion: Councilwoman King made a motion to consider this item informally. Councilman Kraeling seconded the motion.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

Motion: Councilman Reynolds made a motion to approve the resolution for 2021 CDBG and Home funds. Councilman Kraeling seconded the motion.

Action: The vote was unanimous (7-0).

10. Public Comment- None

11. Council Requests

Councilman Matney said he would like Council to consider re-authorizing the emergency ordinance to allow for electronic Council voting. As long as the Governor considers issuing an emergency order, the Council should have this ordinance in place.

Councilman Matney thanked Chief Turner for his friendship and service throughout his 15 years of service.

Councilman Reynolds echoed Councilman Matney's sentiments for Chief Turner.

Mayor Merritt said he received some tickets to the Monster Truck jam at Greenville/Pickens Speedway if anyone is interested.

12. Adjournment- Mayor Merritt adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk