

**MINUTES
MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 17, 2016
7:00 PM**

Members present were Mayor Dennis Raines, Council members Dale Black, Terry Merritt, Larry Goodson, Taft Matney, Scott Crosby and Carol King. City Attorney John Duggan and City Administrator Trey Eubanks were also present.

1. Call to order.- Mayor Raines
 - a. Invocation- Councilman Black
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance- Councilman Black
 - c. Welcome- Mayor Raines
2. Proclamations and Presentations-Mauldin Chamber; Pancreatic Cancer Proclamation; Blue Ribbon School Proclamation

Mayor Raines read the Pancreatic Cancer proclamation.

Mayor Raines presented Principal Nerissa Lewis of Bethel Elementary with the Blue Ribbon School proclamation.

3. Reading and approval of minutes.- Council minutes September 19, 2016; Special called council September 28, 2016;

Councilman Matney made a motion to accept the minutes of September 19, 2016 as distributed. Councilman Merritt seconded the motion. Councilman Black recused himself since he was not present at the meeting. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

Councilman Matney made a motion to accept the special called minutes of September 28, 2016 as distributed. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion. Councilman Black and Councilman Merritt recused themselves as neither was present at the meeting. The vote was unanimous (5-0).

4. Public Comment.- None
5. Report from City Administrator- Trey reported that the benefit fair was held last Tuesday, October 11th. There were 105 attendees, which may be a record. We just received word last week as well that our health insurance renewal will not have an increase.
6. Reports from Standing Committees

- a. Public Safety (Chairman Crosby)- Chief Stewart reported on the department's fire prevention month initiatives. Smoke detectors are being installed in homes as well as children are being educated in fire safety. 2037 children have been reached through the program.

On October 7, 2016, three Mauldin FD personnel were deployed as a part of a swift water rescue team to Colleton County ahead of Hurricane Matthew's landfall. They were tasked to conduct search operations along 30 miles of the Edisto River, and cleared debris from roadways to open access for emergency responders. This crew returned October 10, 2016.

On October 12, 2016, a second team of three Mauldin FD personnel were deployed to Horry County to provide manpower for staffing Horry County Station 40 for fire suppression operations and emergency response. This crew responded to several incidents and regularly checked the level of the continually rising Waccamaw River. This crew returned October 15, 2016.

Bud Greer, who has served the Mauldin community for 50 years as a volunteer firefighter retired from service. He was recognized during the council meeting.

Chief Turner introduced two new officers who had graduated from the Academy during Hurricane Matthew. These officers are Tyler Rohaley and Adrian Cordova. They were given their certificates, but were not able to be presented as a class due to the state evacuation efforts. Tyler Rohaley was presented a marksmanship award at the SCJA as well.

- b. Economic Planning and Development (Chairman Matney)- The report is on file.
- c. Public Works (Chairman Goodson)- The report is on file.
- d. Finance and Policy (Chairwoman King)- The report is on file.
- e. Building Codes (Chairman Black)- The report is on file. Chairman Black said that there will be a public hearing held soon regarding possible landscape ordinance revisions.
- f. Recreation (Chairman Merritt)- The report is on file. Chairman Merritt mentioned that he and Mayor Raines had been to a ribbon cutting at Family Footprint, which is not only a daycare, but teaches skills to adults so they can train for higher paying jobs to help them take care of their families.

7. Unfinished Business- None
8. New Business- None
9. Public Comment- Tommy Shaleuly- 961 Fargo Street. He said that the police department has a very good, informative monthly report. The report from finance has good information but is hard to read. The Sports Center's report has an opportunity for improvement. Mr. Shaluely would like to see membership information and demographics. Mr. Shaleuly then asked about the assessment of the sports center and recreation programs that was recently approved by council. They said the draft from SFA SMA is expected soon.
10. Council requests.
11. Executive sessions
 - a. Consideration and action on executive session pertaining to SC Code 30-4-70 (a) (2)- Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property- FEMA grant.
 - b. Consideration and action on executive session pertaining to SC Code 30-4-70 (a) (1)- Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee. – City Administrator's evaluation

Councilman Goodson made a motion to combine the two executive sessions pertaining to SC Code 30-4 70 (a) (2)- Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property- FEMA grant and consideration and action on executive session pertaining to SC Code 30-4-70 (a) (1)- Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee. – City Administrator's evaluation. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to go into executive session (7-0).

Mayor Raines reconvened the council meeting Councilman Goodson reported out of executive session that no votes or action was taken.

12. Consideration and action on topics discussed in executive session (Committee of the Whole)- None
13. Adjournment.- Mayor Raines adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk