

**DRAFT**

**MINUTES  
MAULDIN CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 18, 2014  
7:00 PM**

**Members present were Mayor Dennis Raines, Council members Taft Matney, Bob Cook, Gabe Hunter, 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- James Stewart talked about the Train Show, which will be held September 5-7 and 12-13 and Memberfest, which will be September 18th. There are several ribbon cuttings coming up.
  - a. Teacher of the Year- MHS Adam Scheuch- Presentation to be done next month.
3. Reading and approval of minutes.- July 21, 2014  
Councilman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Matney seconding. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
4. Public Comment.- None
5. Report from City Administrator  
Trey reported Suzanne Underwood is going to be coordinating the United Way campaign for the City this year.  
The sign ordinance has been revised to allow for more flexibility for new businesses as well as the landscaping ordinance and the business license reduction.  
The project manager's report was submitted and mentions the new entranceway signage throughout the city as well as bus shelter installation coming soon.  
Councilmen Goodson and Cook are working on talking to city veterans about the new Veteran's Walk at the cultural center.  
The Hazard Mitigation Plan is being looked at by the State. The State Mitigation Officer mentioned that Mauldin's plan was comprehensive and only needs to be reformatted. Trey thanked Kim for a fine job on the project.

The Relay for Life raised \$51,000. Mauldin was a great venue and the Golden Strip came out and gave great support for the American Cancer Society. Pat Pomeroy was instrumental in bringing the event to Mauldin. They thanked George, Van and Mike for their preparation for the event.

6. Reports from Standing Committees

a. Building Codes (Chairman Crosby)

- i. Reports and Communications from Business and Development Services Director. – Kim showed July's permit activity numbers. 68 permits total were issued for the month. Councilman Goodson said he noticed Dunkin Donuts' new side sign and was happy about that. He then asked about the Chick-fil-A sign. He thinks it is too short. Kim said they were advised that the sign could be 16 feet, but they picked the height they wanted.

b. Recreation (Chairman Matney)

- i. Reports and Communications from Recreation Director- Van reported 2450 Seniors participated in activities in July. The Sports Center membership is doing well. Chairman Matney mentioned that the Senior play, On Golden Strip Pond, was great and he enjoyed participating.

c. Public Safety (Chairman Cook)

- i. Reports and Communications from Police Chief- Chief Turner mentioned the Youth Academy and said both went very well this year. Monthly calls for service are tracking below where the department was last year. Councilman Matney mentioned school starting back tomorrow and asked if the patrol would be heavier. Chief Turner said school zones will be focused on.
- ii. Reports and Communications from Municipal Clerk of Court / Administrative Judge- Judge Martin told council that the new fine amounts started August 14<sup>th</sup> and will be distributed to council. Jury trials were just completed. Both new administrative judges have completed their schooling and are up and running.

- iii. Reports and Communications from Fire Chief.- 241 calls were run in July. The department assisted in the flooding rescue efforts last week. The Golden Strip Career Center is starting Firefighter 1 and Firefighter 2 classes. When they graduate, they will be certified and ready to work anywhere in the county. This is done through the SC Fire Academy and will be the first program of its kind in the State.
  
- d. Planning and Economic Development (Chairman Hunter)
  - i. Reports and Communications from the Economic Developer- John reported that there are several developments on the horizon. The draft comprehensive plan update is on the website and will go through the Planning Commission this month.
  
  - ii. Office of Cultural Affairs report- George reported on the BBQ festival that will be held in September. Judges are needed for Friday night. The Relay for Life went well.
  
- e. Public Works (Chairman Goodson)
  - i. Reports and Communications from the PW Director- Mike had a presentation on tonnage picked up by Sanitation, work orders being done, and work being done by the sewer and street departments. After the flood events of last week, the department went out and cleaned some culverts and checked into some problems.  
  
Chairman Goodson asked about the Murray side part of the grounds. Trey said he thinks that the CTC will give us some money since it will be used for public parking.
  
- f. Finance and Policy (Chairman Black)
  - i. Reports and Communications from Finance Director- A memo is coming on preliminary numbers by the end of the week.

## 7. Unfinished Business

- a. Consideration and action on Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals appointments (Building Codes)- Laura McCullough and Patrick O'Shields were reappointed to the Zoning Board and Dean Oang was appointed to the Planning Commission. The two boards are now full.
- b. Consideration and action on sewer revenue bond ordinance (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Cook made a motion to issue the sewer bond and approve both the general bond ordinance and series ordinance on second reading. Councilman Goodson asked if the \$3.4 million was going to be put in a pot for when we need it. They said the \$3.4 million will go into a sewer bond account for priority one needs. Councilman Hunter seconded the motion. The vote was 5-2 with Councilman Goodson and Councilman Black dissenting.
- c. Consideration and action on 899 North Main Street rezoning (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Crosby made a motion to approve this rezoning with Councilman Black seconding. This will rezone the property to S1. The two property owners will be sent the documentation. The vote was unanimous (7-0).

## 8. New Business

- a. Consideration and action on temporary residential signs (Building Codes)- Chairman Crosby made a motion to pass this on first reading. This ordinance will allow temporary neighborhood activity signs. Councilman Matney seconded the motion. Councilman Goodson asked about yard signs stating my child goes to... These signs are placed on private property and are allowed. We can look at allowing recreation programming advertising in the ordinance. Some options will be considered and brought to committee. Councilman Matney said we can get some feedback from neighboring communities to see how they handle this issue. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
- b. Consideration and action on wrecker fees (Public Safety)- Chairman Cook made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Goodson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).

- c. Consideration and action on abandonment of Old Neely Ferry Road (PEDC)- Chairman Hunter made a motion to approve this item on first reading. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).
  
- d. Consideration and action on purchase of Palmetto Palm (PW)- Chairman Goodson made a motion to approve this purchase of the Palmetto Palm for \$689. Councilman Cook seconded the motion and the vote was 6-1 with Councilman Hunter dissenting.
  
- e. Consideration and action on capital lease bids (Finance)- BB&T bid 1.09% on this lease for capital equipment. Chairman Black made a motion to accept the bid with Councilman Hunter seconding. The vote was unanimous (7-0).
  
- f. Consideration and action on GCRA Cooperative resolution (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Hunter made a motion to accept this cooperative agreement and resolution with GCRA. This will continue the partnership until June 2018. Councilman Cook seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).
  
- g. Consideration and action on real estate agreement (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Matney made a motion to accept this ordinance on first reading with some final changes being made by the City Attorney before second reading on August 25<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor will be authorized to enter into a contract for sale by the City of a small area of property near fire Station II. after second reading. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (7-0).

9. Public Comment

10. Council requests.

11. Adjournment. – Mayor Raines adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller  
Municipal Clerk