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Terry Martin

Budget & Finance Director

Administrative Manager

Darla Faulknor

City Council

Boyd Sartin

Wayne Foster

Debbie Mathis

Robert Wells

City Secretary

Vicki May

**Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
Monday December, 12 2022
Council Workshop 6:15 p.m.
Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

The Governing Body of the City of Maud will hold its Regular Council Meeting on December 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 135 Main St., Maud, Texas, for consideration of the following agenda items:

1. Call meeting to order, roll call, establish a quorum.
Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. All council members were present. A quorum was established.
2. Invocation and pledge of allegiance.
Mayor Jimmy Clary led the prayer and Councilman Boyd Sartin led the pledge.
3. Open Forum - Comments from the public, limited to no more than 3 minutes each, and no more than five speakers.

Rita Braley 795 CR 1206 Maud Texas addressed the council on several issues. First, she wanted to know if residents were advised when rate changes were going into effect. The Mayor informed her that residents are notified of such changes, then Budget Finance Director Darla Faulknor advised Ms Braley that notices are published in the newspaper, which Ms Braley said she did not get. Mrs Faulknor continued letter her know that a Public Hearing is held and notices are posted on the front of City Hall prior to the budget or tax rates being approved by the council. Councilman Terry Martin also advised Ms Braley that attending the council meetings were the best way to know what is happening in your city. She quickly advised Mr Martin that she lived out side the city limits to which he advised the meetings are open to the public regardless of where they live.

Second, Ms Braley complained about the cost of sanitation services for out of city limit customers. She wanted to know why it cost more for out of city customers than it did for people inside the city limits. Ms Braley also wanted to know if she could have a copy of the contract the City has with the garbage company. Mayor Clary advised her that she could not get one tonight as we did not have one at the meeting. Ms Faulknor advised that the request for a copy of the contract would have to be made in the form of a Public Information Request in writing and addressed to the City Secretary.

Third, she wanted to know why property owners were allowed to own property that was not being kept up without being cited for it and be made to clean them up. Her complaint dealt mainly with property owners of vacant rental property that was in an unkept state. Mayor Clary again addressed Ms Braley and advised that the city of Maud does not have a code enforcement officer

that could legally enforce the codes relating to the upkeep on property within the city limits. Councilman Boyd Sartin also addressed this issue by adding that the city could try and force owners of dilapidated property and unkept landscapes by doing the work to bring them up to code and paying the expenses of such activity but the citizens would not be ok with the rise in taxes to pay for the process.

Mr Braley finally addressed her dislike for the speed bumps that cause drivers to come to almost a complete stop to pass over them or risk damage to their vehicles and wanted them modified or removed. Mayor Clary informed Ms Braley that the speed bumps were installed to help slow traffic down so the elderly residents conducting business at City Hall could safely do so without the fear of being ran over by speeding vehicles.

4. Consider and take official action on approving the Consent Agenda – all items are deemed to require minimal council deliberation and can be enacted as one business item.

- a. November 2022 financials;
- b. November 21, 2022, Regular Council Meeting minutes;
- c. November 2022 Departmental Reports

Motion by Councilman Terry Martin and 2nd by Councilman Wayne Foster to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

5. Consider and take official action on approving Resolution 22-1212 of the City of Maud, Texas selecting an Engineer in conjunction with the submittal of an application for funding through the Texas Department of Agriculture Texas Community Development Block Grant - Community Development Fund Program. Upon the recommendation of the Review/Grading Committee, and the scoring process, it is their recommendation to hire MTG, Inc. Engineering Firm, to represent the City of Maud, Texas.

Motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Terry Martin to approve Resolution 22-1212. Motion carried.

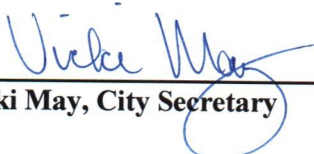
6. Adjourn.

Motion by Councilwoman Debbie Mathis and 2nd by Councilman Boyd Sartin to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 17th DAY OF January, 2023.


Jimmy Clary, Mayor

ATTEST:


Vicki May, City Secretary