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**Mayor**

Jimmy Clary

**Mayor Pro Temp**

Linda Price

**Budget & Finance Director**

**Administrative Manager**

Darla Faulknor

**City Council**

Wayne Foster

Robert Wells

Boyd Sartin

Boyd Doss

**City Secretary**

Vicki May

**Minutes  
Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, March 17, 2025  
Council Workshop @ 5:45 pm / Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Maud City Council, Maud, Texas will hold its Regular Council Meeting on March 17, 2025, 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.  
*The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. All council members were present. A quorum was established.*
2. Invocation and pledge of allegiance.  
*Mayor Clary called on City Secretary, Vicki May, to word the prayer and the pledge was led by the group.*
3. Open Forum - Comments from the public, limited to no more than 3 minutes each, and no more than five speakers.  
*Resident, Mark Noeth of 401 Elm Street, signed up on the open forum sheet but said he did not wish to address the council at this time.*
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. January & February 2025 financials;
  - b. January 21, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes;
  - c. January & February 2025 Departmental Reports.*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Boyad Doss to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried with no opposition.*
5. Consider and take official action approving the engagement letter with Wilf & Henderson to provide, to the city of Maud, Texas, audit services for the FY ending September 30, 2024 and designate an individual responsible for non-audit services.  
*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Linda Price to approve the engagement of Wilf & Henderson for audit services and designate Darla Faulknor as the individual responsible for non-audit services. Motion carried with no opposition.*
6. Consider and take official action, if any, on the request from Pennie Sewell to allow 100%

exemption on ad valorem taxes for the Cardinal Academy located at 366 Broadway Street in the City of Maud Texas.

*Ms. Sewell made a very impressive presentation regarding her desire and need to urge the city council to approve her request for the 100% tax exemption. Ms Sewell stated that her business, Cardinal Academy, has not fully rebounded from the restrictions placed on her during Covid 19 and that coupled with the rising cost of utilities, fuel, food and other supplies she requires to run her business has made it nearly impossible to operate within a margin of profit. Ms Sewell advised the council that if she were approved for the 100% tax exemption that it would allow her to continue to provide quality childcare and early education for the children of Maud.*

*Councilman Boyd Sartin voiced his concern "that many other day-care centers might pop up all over town in order to participate in this property tax exemption". Ms Sewell answered his concern with the fact that in all the 16 years she has been in business no other facility has been started here in Maud. She also informed the council of the time and effort it took to achieve and maintain the 4-star rating needed to even be qualified for the exemption. (Ms Sewell's presentation speech, in its entirety, is attached to these minutes).*

*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Linda Price to approve the request of Ms Sewell for 100 % exemption on the ad valorem taxes for the Cardinal Academy, located at 366 Broadway Street, Maud, Texas. Motion carried with no opposition.*

7. Consider and take official action approving the Order of Cancellation, cancelling the General Election scheduled to be held on May 3, 2025, for the purpose of electing three (3) at large city council members declaring each unopposed candidate elected to office.

*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Robert Wells to approve the order to cancel the May 3, 2025 General Election. Motion carried with no opposition.*

8. Consider and take official action approving the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the City of Maud, Texas.

Councilmember – Linda Price

Councilmember – Boyad Doss

Councilmember – Jeffery Crawford

*A motion was made by Councilman Wayne Foster and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Boyad Doss to approve the certification of unopposed candidates. Motion carried with no opposition.*

9. Consider and take official action approving Resolution 25-0317. A Resolution by the City of Maud, Bowie County Texas, canceling the General Election scheduled to be held on May 3, 2025 for the purpose of electing 3 at large city council members declaring each unopposed candidate elected to office.

*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Wayne Foster to approve Resolution 25-0317 canceling the general election and declaring each unopposed candidate elected to office. Motion carried with no opposition.*

10. Consider and take official action approving the 2025 City Maintenance & Mowing Services Contract between Kenneth Bailey and the city of Maud.

*A motion was made by Councilman Robert Wells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Boyad Doss to approve the contract for mowing services with Kenneth Bailey. Motion carried with no opposition.*

11. Consider and take official action on the request by Ethan Johnston to move a 1997 doublewide to the address of 432 Lindsey Street.

*After some discussion by councilmember Boyd Sartin who questioned the ordinance that put the 8*



year age limit on mobile homes being moved into the city. It was explained that each request for mobile home placement inside the city limits was at the discretion of the council. Councilman Sartin requested confirmation that the placement of the doublewide manufactured home would be an improvement to the existing lot and Mr. Johnston provided assurances that the lot would be cleared of all undergrowth and that the home would be painted and completely underpinned. A motion was made by Councilman Boyad Doss and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Wayne Foster to approve Mr. Johnston's request. Motion carried with no opposition.

12. Consider and take official action approving the surplus of the 1991 GMC Topkick Ferrara Fire Apparatus VIN 1GDP7HIJ3MJ519975. – Chief J. Nichols  
*Chief Nichols presented a plan to have the 1991 GMC fire engine auctioned off and anticipated being able to sell it for about 5K, with no guarantees of the revenue it may bring. A motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin approving the surplus of the fire engine and allow the Chief to sell it for what he could get for it, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Boyad Doss. Motion carried with no opposition.*
13. Discuss the possibility of purchasing a replacement engine for the surplused 1991 GMC Topkick fire engine. – Chief J. Nichols  
*Chief Nichols presented the council with a report regarding a fire engine he found posted for sale. He reported that he and Shane Smith flew to Connecticut to inspect the fire engine and thought it was a good piece of equipment for the fire department. Councilman Boyd Sartin made a motion to allow Chief Nichols and Mayor Clary to negotiate the purchase of the fire engine. Councilman Boyad Doss 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried with no opposition.*
14. Discuss entering into an interlocal agreement with the city of Redwater wherein, Maud would agree to provide Redwater limited access to Maud's Code Enforcement Officer, for the purpose of enforcing ordinances of the city of Redwater on an as needed basis.  
*It was unanimously decided that a contract for the code enforcement officer's shared services was not desired. Councilman Boyd Sartin motioned, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Councilwoman Linda Price to reject the drafted interlocal agreement with Redwater. Motion carried with no opposition.*
15. Adjourn.  
*A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Boyad Doss to adjourn at 7:08 pm.*

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2025.

  
Jimmy Clary, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Vicki May, City Secretary