

Mayor
Jimmy Clary

Mayor Pro Temp
Linda Price

Budget & Finance Director
Administrative Manager
Darla Faulknor

City Council
Wayne Foster
Robert Wells
Boyd Sartin
Boyad Doss

City Secretary
Vicki May

Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, May 19, 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 May 16, 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.
Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Roll was called, and all council members were present. A quorum was established.
2. Invocation and pledge of allegiance.
Mayor, Jimmy Clary called on City Secretary, Vicki May, to voice the prayer. The pledge was led by the group.
****Before the new officials were sworn in Mayor Clary presented a plaque to and commended long-time council member Robert E. Wells for his many years of service to the City of Maud.*
3. Oath of Office Administered by City Secretary, Vicki May, for the following elected officials:

Councilman	Boyad Doss
Councilman	Jeffery Crawford
Councilwoman	Linda Price

The above listed elected council members were sworn into office. Newest Councilman, Jeffery Crawford, took his seat on the council.
4. Consider and take official action on the appointment of the Mayor Pro Temp, pursuant to Local Government Code §23.027 (b) At the first meeting of each new governing body or as soon as practicable, the governing body shall elect one alderman to serve as president pro tempore for a term of one year.
A nomination by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Wayne Foster for Councilwoman Linda Price to serve as Mayor Pro Temp for one year. The council voted unanimously in favor and Linda Price will serve as Mayor Pro Temp for one year.

5. Open Forum - Comments from the public, limited to no more than 3 minutes each, and no more than five speakers.

1.- Jonathan Schermerhorn introduced himself to the council and advised that he is putting a gun shop in the building owned by Stan Griffin and located at 2123 US 67 W, just outside the city limits. Mr. Schermerhorn advised that he intends to sell firearms and ammunition and repair firearms. When questioned about firing the weapons on site he assured the council that the only shooting to be done would be done so down into a barrel of sand.

2.- Herman and Pennie Sewell addressed the speeding problem on Maple Street and suggested that the city consider installing at least 2, but preferably 3-4, speed bumps on the length of the street. Mr. Sewell advised that a majority of the vehicle traffic on Maple travels in excess of 30-35 mph, with some of the vehicles moving upwards of 40-50 mph. He and Ms Sewell are concerned about the increased presence of children during the summer. Mr. David Williams was in attendance and addressed this issue at the beginning of his time and suggested that the city look into "Speed Tables" instead of speed bumps.

6. 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. March & April 2025 financials;
- b. March 17, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes;
- c. March & April 2025 Departmental Reports

Some discussion on the initial Code Compliance Report was initiated with Code Officer, Brett Kenward. Both councilmembers, Price and Sartin, had questions regarding the progress of some of the properties that were in the worst shape. Brett advised that he had gone as far as he could until he had guidance from the city's attorney. It was determined that he had not been giving the go ahead to contact the attorney with his concerns and questions. It was with the full authority of the council to authorize him to call Mr Hornsby at his earliest opportunity to get moving in the right direction to get some of these properties cleaned up and in compliance with codes. It was also suggested that the Code Compliance Report occupy an agenda item alone and not be a part of the consent agenda.

Motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Boyad Doss to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried with no opposition.

7. Question and answer session with David Williams with MTG Engineers regarding the estimated construction cost for the Holly Street project. – Councilwoman Linda Price. *Mr. Williams addressed the mayor and council regarding the Holly Street project. Mr. Williams advised that there are a couple of places that need better drainage, therefore, suggested that drainage pipe be installed in a manner that would be in conjunction with the future project to prevent from having to "redo" that when the project was started. It was also reported that the utility lines are located so close, in proximity to the roadways edge, that they will have to be relocated so that they will NOT be under the pavement when the street is widened. Also reported was the need to have a permanent easement from all property owners on Holly that will be affected with the road widening project. Mr Williams advised that the "shortest, quickest and cheapest" manner would be to have each property owner issue a Donation Deed, for the affected land, to the City. After some discussion, Mr Williams suggested that he draft a letter to the property owners regarding the need for their help in getting the street widened and set up an*

open meeting for all to attend and get questions asked and answered prior to the beginning of the project work. The council was in agreement and will wait on David's letter to move forward.

8. Consider and take official action approving the establishment of the mayor's spending authority to be increased to up to \$50,000.00 without prior council approval. – Councilman Boyd Sartin.

After some discussion regarding the amount of the increase of the spending authority for the mayor, it was unanimous that the amount should only increase to \$25,000.00.

*Motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Boyad Doss to approve the spending authority of the mayor, without prior council approval, up to \$25,000.00 per Fiscal Year, within the limits and constraints of the budget and not withstanding any emergencies. Motion carried with 4 votes for and 1 vote in opposition. **(NOTE, regarding the opposition, Councilman Jeffery Crawford was not in full understanding of the current spending policy, as this is his first council meeting as a council member and did not wish to vote "for" without full understanding of city finances and policy and procedures).*

9. Consider and take official action to amend page 27 of the Personnel Policy to reflect the established spending authority of the mayor.

Motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Wayne Foster to table this item until such time as adequate clarification of the suggested amendment to the Personnel Policy could be drafted, reviewed and approved by the council.

10. Adjourn.

Motion by Councilman Boyd Sartin and 2nd by Councilman Boyad Doss to adjourn, Motion carried with no opposition.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 16th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.


Jimmy Clary, Mayor

ATTEST:


Vicki May, City Secretary