# City of Mackay Regular Meeting of the City Council Tuesday, July 11, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER** 

Wayne Olsen, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. Recited the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Wayne Olsen, Dean Wall, Karen Hames, Richard Mangum, Mike Foster, and Michelle Teninty.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Tammy Weaver, Mike & Miranda Evans, Jake Tracy and Dee T.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Mayor Olsen said, we need to do something about the one at the City Hall. I did issue a letter to the perpetrator of the one that accosted the City employees and hopefully that got delivered by the sheriff.

Clerk Teninty replied, the perpetrator asked the deputy how he could be banned from a City public building when it was delivered to him.

Mayor Olsen stated, if he stepped sets foot on the lawn out there, or inside this building, he is trespassing against City property, he has been warned. Before I issued that letter, I contacted the county sheriff, and the county sheriff advised me on this. This is what has been done in other communities. And he says, yes, you can. Just like any other public facility.

## ROSE AVE LOT DEVELOPMENT - JAKE TRACY

Clerk Teninty started, planning and zoning voted unanimously to recommend that we do a public hearing for his variance.

Mr. Tracy said, we presented them with the plan for the variance we did last Tuesday, and before I get into it, I want to commend you guys for putting that committee together. Those folks definitely have the best interests of Mackey at heart. They're going to do the right thing. I enjoyed sitting in the meeting.

Mayor Olsen said, I would ask for a motion to concur with the planning and zonings decision to hold a public hearing.

Councilman Foster made a motion to approve a public hearing. Councilwoman Hames seconded, passed unanimous.

#### LRED – MIKE EVANS

Mr. Evans said, Okay, our grant status. We have two in the works CHC that we submitted. We have a little bit larger one we're doing a follow on to that tourism grant that we did in the spring with the National Travel Center. Some new items that are coming up, Idaho Department of Commerce, Business Retention and Expansion division. They were in town last fall or spring, and they're going to be back on July 18th and 19th. We've had a full agenda of eight businesses in town. I wasn't ready to publish that with you guys yet. Bob's been working very diligently on this, and he's been under the weather in the last couple of weeks. Just informational stuff. The K-cat team Konnex community advisory team, we finally met in June. That was our first time

since last November. I would say they are primarily in an exploratory mode; we're going to see some drilling. We did work on the scholarships, we refreshed the scholarship fund, and Lenny, and people on the team are going out through the community to let them know the scholarships are available. The Rodeo, pro rodeo primarily Bob, he's been very active in all of that. He worked with John Hughes in the production world, you know, the videos, jumbotron etc. matters. I believe they're talking about some postproduction meeting, the lessons learned, and what can they do better next year. The gliders are in town. I noticed because our office is down there, but I don't see a lot of marketing or anything. I don't know what they do with our community as far as activities or anything. Coming up is the show and shine car show. And that's everything.

#### <u>UV SYSTEM – CHARDON HARTLEY</u>

Mr. Hartley handed out copies of quotes, and stated, The first page is the electrical. It does have some buffer in there because we need one inch conduit with this, but we could go down to three quarter inch, so we could save some money. We added some extra parts just in case. Next is Wendell West. He does a lot of our electrical work, and he's great. The next one is the actual UV system, and what it looks like. Not sure if everyone has looked at it. It holds up to a flow rate of 100 gallons a minute at our peak flow. Right now, the highest I saw was 50 gallons a minute. One thing about the system, it is 18 weeks out from order. There are pictures and schematics on those I'm not sure if everyone saw them. Then the big thing that we have is the concrete vault. The vault itself is going to be 11-foot exterior, five foot outside, but it's actually a four by 10 and the inside. The concrete bulk we'll have set in place. I'm capable of building all that stuff, we just need to find material. The only thing that I changed a little bit is I have six foot on here and actually make it eight feet tall. If we ever have to do any work, we should be able to pick this whole building off and set it aside. So that's one design that I went for because for future use we'll have to do remove it and that extra height will help a lot. The next one is what the boat looks like. I had the dimensions at 10 foot long, four foot wide, four foot tall. Well, they already have a precast system and it's actually five foot wide 11 foot long which will work fine because the inside is exactly what I wanted on the exterior to actually gain a little bit okay good. And then they can put holes in each end because it is a six-inch solid wall all the way down solid concrete floor precast from Oldcastle, which is at Idaho Falls. That vault is 13,000 pounds. High Country irrigation, they deal in these all the time, he said he would be more than willing to go pick up the vault bring it in, he has a crane, and set it for us. So that's what the \$2,500 cost is right there. We have to just do excavation. The next one is how much the cost of the actual concrete vault is. There's two pages there, but one page is added with tax obviously we're tax exempt so it's 29 for the vault itself so that would be the additional stuff that would have to go into the system. It doesn't need to have heat because UV system puts off enough heat in the wintertime, we won't be getting intrusion of all the snow so we can actually get in there and work on it. We need to make sure this stays clean. We won't have to worry about muskrats and other animals. Without this, the chemicals are extremely hard to get. The bummer is we've held off too long, so I have to work chemical, so we just lost five grand.

Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the UV system with an expenditure up to 90,000. Councilman Mangum seconded. Passed unanimously.

#### 2024 FY BUDGET

Mayor Olsen said, What I would suggest is to look at last year's budget. The one that we broke down was the salaries and parks and recreation. Now there are certain things that we must do. We can only spend the money we get from the highway fund for highway projects, money that we collect for the water we can only spend on water. The money that we collect for sewer we can only spend on sewer. I think that's about all the ones that we're locked into.

Clerk Teninty asked, do we have any proposed items, or out of the ordinary items that want to do?

Mayor Olsen responded, there's one I want to do. I want to hire Eric full time.

Councilman Foster asked, Wayne and Michelle, how do you propose, that we, as a council work through this budget process, because I had concerns about some of the shortages we had and allocating more money in different areas and less than the other. What's the most efficient way for the council to work through this?

Mayor Olsen answered, I would suggest you get with Michelle and get that FY 2023 budget. Not the one we sent to the paper but the one that we gave to the Council for review and approval that had the big breakdown of everything. Take a look at that and say okay, this is what we did last year, and where did we come up short? And where do we need to apply for grants. Now, parks and recreation. We're looking pretty good, but we still spend money to get the lawns mowed, whether it's through a salary or whether we contract it out. At one time we contracted it out for \$15,000 which we overspent and then we've contracted it out for \$6,000, which was pretty good. But if we hired another person and we don't have to contract it towards put money towards that person sell. One of the things that we need to talk about is the 5% increase on sewer and the 5% increase on water. That ordinance needs to pass if you're going to do that, so that it takes effect October 1, which is the beginning of the fiscal year, that is a new source of money that you haven't had before. Employees will have so much of their salary paid from by sewer and so much paid for by water, then you can look at other things, we've got new toys and stuff in the park, what do the parks need? If we are we going to budget 6 or \$10,000 for mowing in the park? Are we going to put that money into an employee?

#### COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

#### **DEAN WALL - STREETS**

Councilman Wall said, I got an estimate to put our business park back in order, go to the second page to see the total cost of repairs to the business park. The gutter on Lost River Fitness building is 2900, and then the 3600 is to repair the roof. They need to cut that metal off and get the gutters tucked back in. I thought, well, maybe we could do gutter system this year, and not do the snow breaks. And they said, Well, you're wasting money because if you put the gutters up, and don't put the snow breaks up, we can't put the heat tape up there to keep ice melted. And if the snow comes off, again, it will take the new gutters off. So, either do the whole thing or don't do anything because it's kind of a two-step process.

Councilwoman Hames said, that should be covered by insurance. If it was Mother Nature Councilman Wall answered, we can try. I mean, maybe that's a lot of money. So, the other thing I have, I met with the Lost River Highway District, Custer County road and bridge department and Steve Smith back at the rodeo grounds on the new road. We finally all come to an

agreement, where the roads going, and what's going to take place. I actually got about 45 loads of gravel donated from the mine. I called them and committed to how much they would give us, which is the surfacing of the road basically. That's all I have.

#### KAREN HAMES - PARKS & RECREATION

Councilwoman Hames said, mine's going to be short and sweet. I met with Richard over at the City park, I just told him that whatever he has going on, let me know. We've talked about quite a few things and he showed me what's going to happen. I told him I would take on feeding the people that day. And he said he thinks he has enough of a crew. I wanted to tell Chardon, the parks look great. The restrooms look awesome.

## RICHARD MANGUM - WATER & SEWER (PARKS & RECREATION)

Councilman Mangum had nothing to add as Councilwoman Hames gave an update on the park toys.

#### MIKE FOSTER - AIRPORT

Councilman Foster said, I wanted to follow up on the rent for Salmon River Propane.

Clerk Teninty replied, I asked Vicki about it and she said she didn't remember anything. Do you have a date range? There's a lot of minutes back there.

Councilman Foster responded, that's the year before my time. I think the manager Salmon River is retired. It's a new person now. There should maybe you could call them and just say hey, we're reviewing the lease with the City of Mackay, do you have any documentation? Clerk Teninty said, I'll do that.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the 5/2/23 Planning & Zoning meeting minutes and the 5/9/23 and 6/13/23 meeting minutes. Councilwoman Hames seconded, motion passed. Councilman Wall made a motion to pay bills, Councilman Foster seconded, motion passed. Councilman Foster made a motion to approve the treasurers report. Councilman Wall seconded. Motion passed.

#### **MAYORS REPORT**

Mayor Olsen said, the safety of our employees is number one for me, and so I've asked crew what we can do to make it safer for our clerks and Chardon has talked with a contractor and we've got a bid for \$3,300. It's \$3,300 to put in a door with a glass window and to close the counter with glass.

Chardon added, the other two bids were 12,000 an 16,000.

Mayor Olsen continued, and I have a bid for \$950 to put smart key locks on our doors. The money for this partially will come from the employee fund. The money that we collect from the dump station down here has been designated as an employee fund for morale boosters and stuff like that. And they voted unanimously to spend their employee fund on doing this for the clerks. So I just wanted to run that by the council, I wanted to get started on this as soon as possible. And they've also been armed, they have tasers. It's really sad, but that also required a change in work schedule. Because I don't want anybody working here alone. The clerks will

work Monday through Thursday. So the City Hall is closed on Friday. The other thing, I think we had an excellent Fourth of July celebration. People said there weren't quite as many in attendance so there was some suggestion as to why don't we have the first Saturday of July, have our Independence Day celebration? Everyone else that I talked to, was in agreement. We're not holding this celebration to make money. We're holding the Fourth of July celebration to celebrate the independence of our nation and all of those who have fought for that.

### **ADJOURN**

Councilman Wall made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hames seconded. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Wayne Olsen, Mayor

Michelle Teninty, City Clerk/Treasure

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