

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

October 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Dave Waggoner at 6:30 p.m. on October 11, 2022.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Heidi Sparks
 Michelle Mize Richard Herr
 Casey Wheeler Irv Wilke
 Richard Klose Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Michele, Braukmann, Civil City Attorney
 Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Mayor Waggoner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Wilke to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 27, 2022, as presented, seconded by Council Member Sparks. There was no public comment or Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Ambulance Monthly Report – August 2022
- Police Monthly Report – September 2022

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims entered through October 7, 2022.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 10/2/2022 totaling \$220,496.95.**
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of February 2022.**
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of March 2022.**
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of April 2022.**
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of May 2022.**
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of June 2022.**

The Mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Council Member Klose to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

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REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of September 27, 2022.
- Laurel Airport Authority Minutes of August 23, 2022.
- Park Board Minutes of September 1, 2022.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT):

Patty Smith, 409 Maple Avenue, stated her concerns with a developer wanting to develop a lot of land off Maple Avenue. It is her understanding that he intends to request residential multi-family zoning. She has concerns over the off-street parking in the area and the effects on the water and sewer associated with this development. See the attached petition by property owners nearby.

It was questioned if this request had gone to the City/County Planning Board. It was clarified that the developer had spoken with the Public Works and Planning Director. The Mayor will follow up with Kurt regarding the zoning concerns. There will be a discussion at next week's Council Workshop.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Resolution No. R22-65: Resolution Of The City Of Laurel City Council Authorizing The City Of Laurel To Apply For American Rescue Plan Act Competitive Grant Funds For The South 4th Street Water, Sewer Stormwater, Infrastructure Improvements Project And Authorization To Commit Matching Funds**

Mayor Waggoner clarified that this is not a competitive grant, and the motion should be amended to strike the word competitive.

Motion by Council Member Mize to approve Resolution No. R22-65 striking the word competitive, seconded by Council Member Sparks. There was no public comment or Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

- **Resolution No. R22-66: Resolution Of The City Of Laurel City Council Requesting Distribution Of Bridge And Road Safety And Accountability Program Funds**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve Resolution No. R22-66, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment or Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

It was questioned if the vision statement would have a public hearing soon. It was clarified that the vision statement would be brought back to next week's Workshop as a discussion item. The Civil Attorney will address those concerns brought up at last week's Workshop, and she will also bring forward other options.

Public Works Committee will meet next Monday at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

MAYOR UPDATES: None.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:

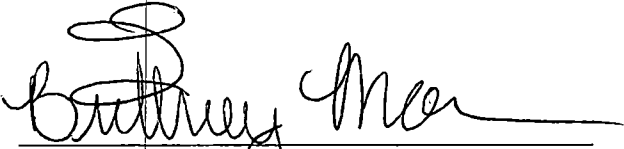
Council Member Mountsier will be gone for the remainder of this month.

Motion by Council Member Wilke to allow Council Member Mountsier to be absent from the City for more than ten days, seconded by Council Member Sparks. There was no public comment or Council Discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

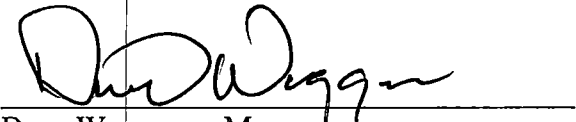
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Eaton to adjourn the Council meeting, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment or Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight Council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

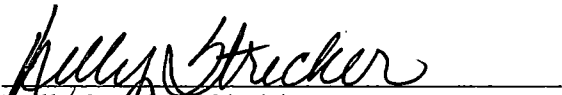
There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.


Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 25 day of October 2022.


Dave Waggoner, Mayor

Attest:


Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer

October 11, 2022

To the Laurel City Council. I am signing below to affirm my opposition to the proposed multi-family development at 416 Maple Avenue/First St. This is a single family home neighborhood and should remain zoned as such, it cannot support parking, traffic, sewer, etc for the proposed four or eight plex. It isn't a fit. A duplex would be the maximum.

Thank you.

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