

**Maiden Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, 6:00 PM
Council Chambers, Maiden Town Hall**

The Maiden Town Council met on Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. for their regularly scheduled meeting, held in the Town of Maiden Council Chambers.

Present for the meeting were, Mayor Max Bumgarner Jr., Mayor Pro Tem Beth Rudisill, Councilmembers Bob Sigmon, Ronnie Williams, Holly Crafton-Lay, and Cameron Ramseur.

Also present were Town Manager Todd Herms, Town Attorney Wesley Deaton, and Town Clerk-PIO Anna Hughey.

Others attending: See attached sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Max Bumgarner Jr.

The invocation was given by Mayor Max Bumgarner Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Max Bumgarner Jr.

4. Approval of the Agenda

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER HOLLY CRAFTON-LAY AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE
AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

**MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR PRO TEM BETH RUDISILL AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON TO APPROVE THE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

6. Citizen Requests and Comments

Councilmember Ronnie Williams would like to thank everyone who helped with the groundbreaking ceremony for the fire department.

Mayor Pro Tem Beth Rudisill says the Fall Festival went great and she was happy to see children getting involved with the first responders. She is proud of the mentoring that took place. Rudisill asks if the Town could look into taking ownership of the American Legion Memorial. She suggests moving and preserving the memorial. Town Manager Todd Herms says that the Town will look into this. Rudisill also asks about the road widening at The Villages. Public Works Director Bryan Duckworth says the project is not completed and there still needs to be a final layer of asphalt added and driveway tampers. Rudisill suggests that the Town investigate the cost of building a dog park. Parks and Recreation Director Keaton Miller says he has been in contact with the County and State about beginning this process and he will report back with numbers.

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Maiden Business Association Samantha Saunders says the Maiden Business Jamboree was a success for all vendors involved. Saunders says the MBA hopes to have a spring event as well. The annual fall movie night will be held on October 21st. Free hot dogs will be provided by Don's grill. The Recreation Department will provide popcorn. There will be an inflatable slide. Saunders thanks the Town for their help with events. Merry Maiden will be held on December 14th and the beginning stages of planning are in progress. Saunders asks for an update on a house in Town and Manager Herms says it was bought by a private citizen.

Mayor Pro Tem Beth Rudisill suggests the car show and food vendors switch places at the Fall Festival. Herms says that this has been thought about in the past but there are reasons the Town has decided not to do this. Herms says next year the Town will need to look into adding more money to the Fall Festival budget to have rides because the prices of these vendors have gone up.

Councilmember Bob Sigmon asks if plans have been made for the Christmas Parade. Keaton Miller says all is moving forward with the parade as planned.

Mayor Max Bumgarner Jr. reminds everyone that the Town will be shutting down Main St to 5th Ave from 5:30-8:00 pm on Halloween for Trick-or-Treating. Manager Herms says the roads will be blocked with heavy equipment this year.

Councilmember Holly Crafton-Lay asks about the parking ordinance project. Planning and Zoning Director Blake Wright says that the majority of it has been updated and is now looking at adding the new subdivisions and no truck routes. Wright says this project should be completed by early 2024. Crafton-Lay asks if council members will receive project plan updates from the Fire Department. Herms says a timeline will be provided at the back of agendas in the coming months. The completion date is scheduled for December 5th, 2024. Councilmember Holly Crafton-Lay voices concern about the dust coming from the construction of the subdivision that is affecting current homeowners. Herms says he doesn't know the answer right now but will find out.

Councilmember Ronnie Williams asks for an update on the housing development. Public Works Director Bryan Duckworth says that the amenity package has been approved and Duke Power is working on starting power. A model home will be built in the next few months and water and sewer are set up for phase one.

Councilmember Cameron Ramseur voices concern about a trash can being dropped in a ditch. Herms asks for the address and says he will handle this. Ramseur says it was a great weekend in the Town of Maiden but expresses he didn't agree with some things said at the Fire Department groundbreaking ceremony. Ramseur says he looks forward to all the great things the town has coming but wants to make sure every department is working hard to always do the right thing. Ramseur expresses concern about the cemetery maintenance. He asks that all departments sharpen their skills where possible. Ramseur asks Attorney Wesley Deaton about the raises that were given this year. Deaton says this

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decision is up to HR and what the council approves. Manager Herms says it can also be based on promotions and additional training.

Annie Ramseur asks that all town staff and council work together for the good of the town. Ms. Ramseur feels confident the town can do great things when everyone loves one another and works together.

Danny Hipps thanks Councilmember Ramseur for his statement. He says he read through the minutes the night the council voted on the designer and engineer for the fire department project. He encourages everyone to read these public records. Hipps states that he attended all meetings concerning the fire department. He also says that the fire department is about the town and its citizens.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Finance Officers Report September (Motion)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON TO APPROVE THE
SEPTEMBER FINANCE OFFICER REPORT AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION
WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

8. Ordinance/Resolutions

- a. Ordinance #05-2024 Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project Capital Project Budget Ordinance

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER HOLLY CRAFTON-LAY AND
SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BETH RUDISILL TO APPROVE
ORDINANCE #05-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

- b. Ordinance #06-2024 An Ordinance To Amend The FY 2023-2024 Budget General Fund-Debt Service For Fire Station (Motion)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS TO APPROVE
ORDINANCE #06-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

- c. Ordinance #07-2024 Fire Department Construction Capital Project Budget Ordinance Amendment (Motion)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER HOLLY CRAFTON-LAY AND
SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BETH RUDISILL TO APPROVE
ORDINANCE #07-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

- d. Ordinance #08-2024 W. Finger St- Replace Road Culvert Capital Project Budget Ordinance (Motion)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON TO APPROVE
ORDINANCE #08-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

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- e. Resolution #06-2024 Resolution Of Intent To Close And Abandon An Unused Street And Right Of Way In The Town Of Maiden (Motion)

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SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION #06-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

- f. Resolution #07-2024 Applying for Funding for the Lead Service Inventory (Motion)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HOLLY CRAFTON-LAY TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION #07-2024. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

10. Proclamation

- a. A Proclamation Proclaiming October 10, 2023, As The Town Of Maiden Breast Cancer Awareness Month

PROCLAMATION WAS READ BY MAYOR MAX BUMGARNER JR.

11. Adjourn

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER BOB SIGMON AND
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RONNIE WILLIAMS TO ADJOURN THE
MEETING AT 7:02 P.M. MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0.**

**Respectfully Submitted:
Anna Hughey, Town Clerk**

Max Bumgarner Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Hughey, Town Clerk