

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON JANUARY 17, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA**

Council members present:           Bret Whidden, Mayor  
  Dave McGee, Vice Mayor, Financial Director  
  Marc Decker, Councilman  
  Patricia Lucas, Councilwoman  
  Jacob Eighner, Councilman

Others Present:                       Maxine Brantley, City Clerk  
  Steve Ramunni, City Attorney (ABSENT)  
  Jerri Lynn Schlueter, Public Works Director  
  Sam Briefman, Water Plant Supervisor

**ITEM 1: ROLL CALL.**

Whidden gave the roll call.

**ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

McGee gave the invocation; Bryant led in the flag salute.

**ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA.**

NONE

**ITEM 4: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES.**

January 03, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve the January 03, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes with corrections. Motion carried

**ITEM 5: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE PURCHASING 201 1<sup>ST</sup> STREET (ANNE-TIQUES) EIGHNER.**

Eighner states you should have some information in your packet about the building. Anne is willing to give the building to the City of Moore Haven. I have gone to the Tax Collectors Office; the taxes as of right now are \$9,800.00. She is willing to sign the property over to us. I would like to see the City purchase the property from her and tear the building down. The property it's self is valued at \$19,500.00. Some of the positives about purchasing the property would be that we could stop someone from putting something in there that we didn't want. It would be an addition to the City Park, if we ever did want to add on, and it would show the citizens of Moore Haven that we are trying to move on and make an effort to take some of these older buildings down. I really couldn't find anything negative about taking the property from

her other than having to take the building down. I haven't made it that far as to get quotes yet; I know there are several people interested in taking the building down.

Whidden states are there any other deeds on it? Eighner states no sir. Lucas states Anne told me last year we could have it for the taxes.

**ITEM 6: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE FRDAP AGREEMENT #A7088.**

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve the FRDAP agreement #A7088. Motion carried

**ITEM 7: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE FRDAP AGREEMENT #A7087.**

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Lucas to approve the FRDAP agreement #A7088. Motion carried

**ITEM 8: REPORT OF OFFICERS.**

**8A: Public Work Director**

Schlueter states on the SCOP projects we did get two RFQs, Steve has not had a chance to go through them yet because we just opened them on Thursday. We received one from Craig A. Smith and Associates and the other from Johnson Engineering. Based on what we have received, and they meet the criteria, I would like to recommend Craig A. Smith and Associates do the permitting and design and have Johnson Engineering do the construction and inspection services.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Lucas to approve Jerri Lynn's recommendation based on Ramunni review. Motion carried

Schlueter states I really don't need an approval, I just would like you to tell me if you like the Welcome to Moore Haven signs that I put together. I have one quote. I am waiting on the second quote. These will be metal signs.

Schlueter states in reference to the Lundy Building, Kevin has been in contact with a demolition company that has the contract for tearing down the hotel. They are going to try to get here this week to meet with us to take a look at the building.

Schlueter states on the Food Truck Invasion, Jake and I met with David yesterday, he is really interested in getting it started. I did talk to him today and we have a couple of "bumps". He has a contract with the City of Clewiston for 6 months, but he is thinking that coming monthly isn't going to work here because we are such a smaller community. He would like to come on February 6<sup>th</sup> as sort of a test run, but we don't have a meeting until February 7<sup>th</sup>, so with your approval I would like to put something together along with Steve. He is insured.

**MOTION** was made by Eighner seconded by Lucas to approve Food Truck Invasion on February 6<sup>th</sup> based on Ramunni review. Motion carried.

McGee states on code enforcement, I got your report, where is Avenue H that I asked you to check on? Bryant states I saw a boat there, but. McGee states let me read something out of the personal policy, just so you know. McGee reads aloud from personal policy, section on insubordination. McGee states so why haven't you looked at the boat? Bryant states I am not fully clear on this trailer and boat, I am not sure on what needs to be tagged. McGee states get with Steve.

McGee states I have handed out a vehicle trip log. I would like to see these in all City vehicles that are on the road to use these trip logs. Schlueter states you want these monthly, and only if you leave the City limits. McGee states well this sheet is daily but will keep a whole month. So yes daily but turn it in monthly.

**8B: City Attorney.**

ABSENT

**8C: City Clerk.**

NONE

**8D: Craig A Smith.**

NONE

**8E: CAS Governmental Services**

NONE

**8F: Water Department Supervision Reports**

Briefman states I called Century Link for a security system. I called ADT and they did not come out. I did speak to another company in Okeechobee, which are Gator Security and Open Sight. Lucas states on Open Sight how many cameras? Briefman states there are 4. Whidden states we need to make sure we want to spend this much money on this. From Graham Dairy to Gatorama is our worst area for lightening in Glades County Electric System. McGee states these cameras are not lightening friendly. Whidden states no cameras are and neither is the water plant. We need to check into what's best and maintaining them. I don't want to spend this much money and they stay broke down from lightening 3 or 4 times during the summer. Lucas states just stay on top of this and get us more information.

Briefman states I would like to attend the FRWA meeting. I use it for my CEUs. All agree.

Briefman states I have one more thing. I would like to replace the air terminals and in addition to the ones I would like to replace, I would like to put some on the UF pad, there is nothing there.

There was nothing in that project for lightening arresters. The suppressors I can get them for \$3,000.00. All agree.

**ITEM 9: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,918.83.**

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Lucas to approve the bill submitted list in the amount of \$83,918.83. Motion carried.

**ITEM 10: CITIZENS COMMENTS / GENERAL CONCERNS.**

Evelyn Thatcher states I would like to request a street light on Myerchick Drive. It is dark down there and I have put in 5 motion detectors on my house. Whidden states Ms. Thatcher that is Glades Electric not the City of Moore Haven. We have the water and sewer system, but we do not do the electric system there. Thatcher states then what do I do? Whidden states you call Glades Electric, you show them where you want the light and they will tell you what it costs for you to have that light. We will look into it.

**ITEM 11: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS.**

Eighner states has anything happened with the Bedell and court date. Schlueter states I have not heard anything from them and all the mail has been returned. We have not received the citation back yet, but we are still set for Court on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Eighner states on the Code Enforcement list, there is one here, Anne-Tiques, says date for re-inspections is due May 2017. Bryant states that is when the 180 days are up.

Lucas states Mark Williams says unsafe structure notice sent. Bryant states he has come to the office and talked to me. He told me he was in contact with someone that is going to tear it down for him. He has until June 2017 to get in compliance. Lucas states the other thing I have is the field across from the Yacht Club, it used to be where the 4H kids kept their animals. Has that been sold and they can't do that anymore or what. Whidden states that is not our property. Lucas states did the City own it back then and let them use it. Whidden states no, the person that owed it back then let them use it for their animals. Lucas states no one is mowing it. Bryant states our ordinance states it has to be over 50% grass before he is not in compliance.

Decker—NONE

McGee – NONE

Whidden – NONE

**ITEM 12: DISCUSS FINANCIAL REPORTS IF NEEDED.**

NONE

**ITEM 13: ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** was made by Eighner, seconded by McGee to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Maxine Brantley, City Clerk

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Bret Whidden, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

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