

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN MEETING ON
JANUARY 05, 2021 AT 7:00PM, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 299
RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA.**

Council Members Present:

Bret Whidden, Mayor
Jacob Eighner, Vice Mayor, Financial Officer
Marcus "Marc" Decker
Clay Browning
Jan Gunn

Others Present:

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
David Miller, City Manager
Brandon Roberts, Public Works Director
Steve Ramunni, Attorney

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:

Invocation given by Miller. Pledge led by Wills.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

There are none.

ITEM 4: CHRISTMAS LIGHT DECORATION AWARDS:

Browning awards winners. First place: Thelma Brinkley; Second place: Tony and Jennifer Adams; Third place: Lawanda Kelly.

ITEM 5: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

5A: CITY MANAGER:

Miller states I have a couple of projects going on. Over in Rivergardens I am going to start cleaning the culverts and ditches. I am going to get the backyard machine in February. I did talk to Mercedes today at Sandpoint. They will be finished up in the next couple of days.

5B: CITY ATTORNEY:

Ramunni states I was served yesterday with regards to the dorm having to do with the lease. They are trying to break the lease etc... I sent it to Ted and he sent it to our attorneys, they will handle it from there.

5C: CITY CLERK:

NOTHING TO REPORT.

5D: CRAIG A SMITH AND ASSOCIATES:

ABSENT

5E: CAS GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES:

ABSENT

5F: WATER PLANT OPERATOR:

NOTHING TO REPORT.

ITEM 6: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,334.24:

MOTION was made by Eighner and Browning by Whidden to approve to pay the bills the amount of \$32,344,24. Motion carried.

ITEM 7: CITIZENS COMMENTS AND GENERAL CONCERNS:

NONE

ITEM 8: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

Browning states when we left the meeting a couple of weeks ago David told me the Army Corp wants to give us a hard time about where we want to put the veterans memorial. David and I and Jan have been looking and David has found a spot that I really like. I think it will benefit us better because you can see it from the bridge. It is right out here in front of the racquetball court and you can use the back of it as a mural. Whidden states my only concern about having it in the park is how are you going to keep the kids off it. Eighner states what is the Corp giving us a hard time about? Browning states they say we cannot put anything permanent there. Whidden states we have sidewalks and docks and picnic tables that are permanent. We need to talk to a person that is higher up. Miller states I will stay on it.

Eighner states I would like to see the irrigation on Hwy 27 increased and I would like to see us mulch the park. The biggest thing I have is they are doing baseball sign ups and they are going to be doing a clean up day in the next few weeks. I think it would be a good time to go ahead and get the ant bait and put it out before they get up there.

Whidden states where are we at for our Chalo Nitka stuff, are we on schedule? Eighner states we are.

Browning states the property between Moore Haven City Limits and Bowdens Subdivision, owned by South Florida Water Management. Moore Haven cannot expand because of it. They are also buying a

large parcel just west of town. I would like to have a resolution that says SFWM until there is some kind of a better plan to help us. Whidden states we cannot keep them from buying land. Browning states we can tell them that we don't support them buying land.

ITEM 9: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

NOTHING TO REPORT.

ITEM 10: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION was made by Eighner and seconded by Gunn to adjourn. Motion carried.

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Bret Whidden, Mayor

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