

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 7, 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 (ABSENT)  
    Jacob Eighner, Councilman

Others Present:                                Maxine Brantley, City Clerk  
    Steve Ramunni, City Attorney  
    Jerri Lynn Schlueter, Public Works Director  
    Sam Briefman, Water Plant Supervisor  
    Kevin Bryant, Code Enforcement

**ITEM 1: ROLL CALL.**

Whidden gave the roll call.

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

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

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

NONE

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

January 17, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve January 17, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion carried

**ITEM 5: CDBG 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC HEARING.**

Fred Fox states the project that is being proposed and advertised was connecting to the sewer at the intersection of Avenue H and 7<sup>th</sup> Street coming north on 7<sup>th</sup> Street, also across Railroad Avenue and Avenue F doing some lines on both side of the ditch on Railroad Avenue. It will hook up sixteen low income households to the sewer system. The estimate cost is \$564,000 for the lines itself and another \$40,000 for the sixteen low income houses to hook up. There is an additional \$40,000 in the grant for new bleachers on the baseball field. The total grant being \$700,000 with a match of \$50,000.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve CDBG 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing. Motion carried

**ITEM 6: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE FMEA PROCLAMATION.**

Brantley states this is celebrating their 75th anniversary.

**MOTION** was made by Decker seconded by McGee to approve FMEA proclamation. Motion carried

**ITEM 7: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN AND GLADES COUNTY FOR CDBG GRANT.**

Brantley states this is the one for Washington Park.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Eighner to approve Agreement with the City of Moore Haven and Glades County for CDBG Grant. Motion carried

**ITEM 8: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-01 LONG AND SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES.**

Ramunni reads by title resolution 2017-01 long and short term objectives.

**MOTION** was made by Decker seconded by McGee to approve Resolution 2017-01 Long and Short Term Objectives. Motion carried

**ITEM 9: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-02 AUTHORIZING \$50,000 IN MATCHING FUND FOR THE CDBG GRANT.**

Ramunni reads by title resolution 2017-02 authorizing \$50,000 in matching fund for the CDBG Grant.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Eighner to approve Resolution 2017-02 authorizing \$50,000 in matching fund for the CDBG Grant. Motion carried

**ITEM 10: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION 2017-03 SUBMISSION OF CDBG APPLICATION.**

Ramunni reads by title resolution 2017-03 authorizing submission of CDBG application.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve Resolution 2017-03 submission of CDBG application. Motion carried

**ITEM 11: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE SATISFACTION NAPOLI LIENS.**

Ramunni states I have been contacted by Attorney Jay Watkins in LaBelle and he is doing a closing on a piece of land and the land is not in the City of Moore Haven. Mr. Napoli owned

property in the Muse area and the liens are being recorded county wide. He asked what the City's intention is. I know the City would like to be paid in full. What I told Mr. Watkins is the City will have it as an agenda item and discuss how we want to get paid. McGee states just the principal will do.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve to get the principal of Napoli liens without interest. Motion carried

**ITEM 12: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE MILEAGE LOG SHEET.**

Whidden states Schlueter revised the sheet McGee gave her but really we don't have to approve it this is something she can do on her own but we can still approve it if you all like.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve Mileage log sheet. Motion carried

**ITEM 13: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE ACQUIRING THE ANNE-TIQUE BUILDING.**

Ramunni states you have seen the title search the more pressing is the number of years of outstanding taxes. It looks like the County is close in acquiring it. Schlueter states the County is passed acquiring it and I don't think they do not want it. Ramunni states but if they know we will take it and we can work out a deal with the County they will take it and pass it down to the City and not have to pay anything but we take on the responsibility. Whidden states Eighner worked on it and we can get it for \$9,800 and the property is valued at \$19,500, if we were to purchase it for the \$9,800 my question is are we going to put a lien on it or try to recuperate our money? Ramunni states if you purchase it you can't you will have put money into it and plus the demolition, so if you can talk to the County and see if we can work something out with them. Whidden states let's put it on the next agenda and see if we can talked to the County to see what we can work out.

**ITEM 14: REPORT OF OFFICER.**

**14A: Public Work Director**

Schlueter states on the Lundy's building there is a copy of the proposal with my report; I haven't been able to get in contact with the company to see if the price will go down but I have left them messages and sent them emails and I'm waiting for their response. Eighner states on this property we are going to demo and put a lien on it? Ramunni states we have an order of demolition on it. Whidden states after the lot is cleaned up what would it be worth? McGee states around \$20,000 max. Ramunni states it will be a lost to the City. Whidden state I cannot justify spending \$150,000 on a property that worth \$20,000. Ramunni states I will investigate it a little more and see what I can come up with.

**14B: City Attorney.**

Ramunni read out loud by title first reading of ordinance#332 temporally moratorium on medical marijuana.

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve first reading of ordinance#332 temporally moratorium on medical marijuana. Motion carried

**14C: City Clerk.**

NONE

**14D: Craig A Smith.**

NONE

**14E: CAS Governmental Services**

NONE

**14F: Water Department Supervision Reports**

Briefman states I have the quote on the security system for the Water Plant. Whidden states put it on the next meeting agenda.

**ITEM 15: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,320.54.**

**MOTION** was made by McGee seconded by Eighner to approve the bill submitted list in the amount of \$76,320.54. Motion carried

**ITEM 16: CITIZENS COMMENTS / GENERAL CONCERNS.**

Timothy Jones states what is going on with the utility trailers on tagging them? Ramunni states I started doing some research on it but I'm not done with it.

**ITEM 17: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS.**

Eighner states we did some work in the park before we had the event last night, and if we can also go ahead and start cleaning the parade route. I also want more attention made to the cypress tree; I have mentioned it before. Every morning at the Court House there is someone cleaning around it so I would like to see the employee that is cleaning the bathrooms in the morning to clean around City Hall and at least once a week; use the blower and blow down the street to make it look presentable.

Decker states can we do anything about putting something on the 4<sup>th</sup> Street lift station. Schlueter states yes it is still under warranty and the contractor has been notified about it. Decker states what are we doing on the erosion on the soil around the hydrants. Schlueter states they are going to start and fill them in when they remove the box. Decker states fill it with what? Schlueter states dirt. Decker states I don't think that would work there it has to be something heavy to put

in there. Eighner states maybe a stepping stone. Bryant states maybe a rubber blanket or mat. Decker states yes just anything that would help. Decker states can we write a letter to the customers that have dumpsters and tell them to keep the lids closed. Schlueter states yes we can. Eighner states we also need to tell the employees to close them after they empty the dumpsters. Decker states I have seen Clint Greene in his personal truck stop and close them and that is great. Bryant states how about before we send the letter I go by and inform them in person.

McGee states May 6<sup>th</sup> is the motorcycle rally and we need to reserve the park for them. McGee states on the oak trees in the park where are we on it? Schlueter states we are not doing anything until after Chalo-Nitka. McGee states on Diaz asphalt did you get any information on the asphalt millings? Whidden states yes Schlueter is working on it.

Whidden states Schlueter can you get with Bob Jones and inform him the City Council would like an animal report like we did in the past. Whidden states on the culverts on 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Railroad Ave. where are we on it? Schlueter states we cleaned them today.

**ITEM 18: DISCUSS FINANCIAL REPORTS IF NEEDED.**

NONE

**ITEM 19: ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Maxine Brantley, City Clerk

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Bret Whidden, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

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