

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 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
 Marcus Decker Councilman
 Patricia Lucas, Councilwoman
 Harry Ogletree, Councilman

Others Present: Maxine Brantley, City Clerk
 Steve Ramunni, City Attorney
 Jerri Lynn Schlueter, Public Works Director (ABSENT)
 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; Ramunni led in the flag salute.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA.

NONE

ITEM 4: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

September 01, 2015 Regular Meeting

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Ogletree to approve September 01, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion Carried

September 03, 2015 Public Hearing

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve September 03, 2015 Budget Workshop. Motion Carried

ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION 2015-04 APPROVING THE MILLAGE RATE OF 5.0542.

No comments.

MOTION was made by Ogletree, seconded by McGee to approve Resolution 2015-04 approving the millage rate of 5.0542. Motion Carried

ITEM 6: PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION 2015-05 APPROVING THE 2015-2016 BUDGET.

No comments.

MOTION was made by Decker, seconded by McGee to approve Resolution 2015-05 approving the 2015-2016 Budget. Motion Carried

ITEM 7: REPORT OF OFFICERS.

7A: Public Work Director

Schlueter is absent. Bryant states piling subcontractors are here and have already set quite a few pilings. Also she met with Big Tree on Friday to discuss the landscaping and they should begin by October 1st. Lucas states I asked her to see if we could get any good dirt to backfill about the plants because the contract says they would fill in what they take out and I don't know what that will do to the plant. Bryant states we have quite bit of top soil stock piled from the sewer project we are doing that we can us if we need to. Lucas states when Big Tree comes back to have another meeting I want to be there please. Bryant states Yes Ma'am.

Bryant states under water distribution, Denco will be replacing an 8" water line at the intersection of Avenue M and 6th Street on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Briefman states does anyone from the water plant need to be there? Bryant states no I don't think we do.

7B: City Attorney.

Ramunni states I had sent a letter to GE again with regards to what we had discussed at the last meeting offering to resolve it with the sum of \$400,000.00 to be taken over a period of time against future purchases. I talked to Sam and neither him or I have head back from them, so we will just wait and see if we get a response, there is not a lot we can do until they do respond.

Ramunni states the City has received two requests for purchase of City lots. Mr. Tomas Gil wants to purchase 229 Avenue K his offer is \$3,500.00. The second person is Abraham Cisneros wants to purchase 470 Avenue K and his offer is \$2,500.00. These are identical lots, size wise.

7C: City Clerk.

Brantley states I just want to remind everyone about oure public hearing meeting on September 3rd at 6pm.

7D: Craig A Smith.

NONE

7E: CAS Governmental Services.

NONE

7F: Water Department Supervisor Reports.

Briefman states Friday we performed a cleaning and its back on-line but it did run on the old plant all weekend so may get some calls.

ITEM 8: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE PAYMENT OF FOUR HOUR ETHICS COURSE ON LINE. (LUCAS).

MOTION was made by Decker, seconded by McGee to approve City to pay for the four hour ethics course for the Council. Motion carried

ITEM 9: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$213,058.03.

MOTION was made by Ogletree, seconded by McGee to approve the bill submitted in the amount of \$213,058.03. Motion carried

ITEM 10: CITIZENS COMMENTS / GENERAL CONCERNS:

NONE

ITEM 11: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS.

Ogletree states is there a new restaurant coming into town? Whidden states if you are talking about JT she is opening up at the end of the month. Decker states the dog catcher was down here for the last three days he is coming out before 7am I spoke to him and he caught two dogs. Also by the elementary school he caught another dog. Decker states Schlueter out by Ogletree there is a sign down that says rough road. Schlueter states yes we have a replacement one we just haven't put it up. Whidden states on Avenue R just before 10th St there is not asphalt left in the holes. Decker states across the street there is that our property before you get to the basketball court inside the fence, there are fence poles and piles of rubble. Can you send someone out and level it off. Schlueter states yes. Decker states we have more chickens in town and we need to get rid of them. Schlueter states where are they at? Decker states at the end of Palm Avenue and 658 Avenue H. Decker states do you have any plans for the guys when the grass stops growing? Schlueter states yes we always have planes if you want to come by my office I can show you. Decker states can you add to your list the stop signs. Schlueter states I have stop signs on the list but signs are our winter projects. Decker states the other day I saw two guys on the grabber truck now that truck can be operated with one man right. Schlueter states yes. Decker states why was there two guys? Schlueter states what day was it? Decker states Wednesday or Thursday of last week one guy was driving the truck and stopped the other guy got out and operated the machine

and got back in the truck and off they went. McGee states why was the flag taken down? Schlueter states we took them down because of the storm. Whidden states is there any other work that needs to be bid out? Schlueter states yes we are going to put a list together. McGee states when does Lucas trim trees? Schlueter states he doesn't have a set time. Whidden states we need to look into that I know we can't do it now because the ground is to wet I know we talked about in the winter time. Whidden states on the south side of town it is not drying up as it should I thought we were going to run the pumps over the weekend in case we did get a lot of rain. Schlueter states we did run them but we didn't run them though the weekend my understanding they ran Friday and after you called Bryant he turned them on today.

ITEM 12: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED.

NONE

ITEM 13: ADJOURNMENT

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

Maxine Brantley, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Bret Whidden, Mayor

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