

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 18 , 2018 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
 Marc Decker, Councilman
 Patricia Lucas, Councilwoman
 Jacob Eighner, Councilman, Financial Officer

Others Present: Maxine Brantley, City Clerk
 Steve Ramunni, City Attorney
 David Miller, City Manager
 Sam Briefman, Water Plant Supervisor (ABSENT)

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:

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

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

NONE

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

AUGUST 3, 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve August 3, 2018 Budget Workshop. Motion carried.

AUGUST 17, 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Eighner to approve August 17, 2018 Budget Workshop. Motion carried.

AUGUST 21, 2018 LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY MEETING.

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Eighner to approve August 21, 2018 Local Planning Agency Meeting. Motion carried.

AUGUST 21, 2018 REGULAR MEETING.

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve August 21, 2018 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

AUGUST 27, 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Eighner to approve August 27, 2018 Budget Workshop Meeting. Motion carried.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 REGULAR MEETING.

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve September 4, 2018 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

ITEM 5: FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE #337 POWER COST ADJUSTMENT:

Ramunni reads by title only.

MOTION was made by Eighner, seconded by McGee to approve the final reading for Ordinance #337. Motion carried.

ITEM 6: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

6A: CITY MANAGER

Miller states at Avenue R and 6th Street the speed bumps are installed. I have still been having the meeting with FEMA and Maxine told me this morning we did finally receive our first money, approximately \$11,000.00. The demo on the B & B building is just about completed. The repairs on the John Deer have been completed and the rental tractor has been returned. The basketball lights have been repaired. I had a resident call me today, they are requesting right by the tennis courts there is a fence there and we have about 10 trees that are right up against their fence and they are asking us to remove them. I have already removed 2 of the trees because they were leaning and I felt they were a threat to the fence. I just wanted to check to see how you felt about it, and we can go ahead and start removing them if it pleases the Council. All agree.

6B: CITY ATTORNEY

Nothing to report.

6C: CITY CLERK

Nothing to report.

6D: CRAIG A SMITH

Jim Orth states we have a PAR just about completed on the water treatment plant. Some forms have been forwarded to David to get signed for the application for funding. Miller states I spoke with Greg this afternoon and Sam and I are going to review the engineer for it. Greg has marked them up; there are some issues that we don't like. So we will make our comments and then we will send them back to that engineer with our comments.

6E: CAS GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Vanassche states I wanted to start a dialog with the legislative packet. A couple of delegation meetings have been scheduled for the end of November after the election. I have put together a draft, just food for thought, what kind of projects you may want to do.

6F: WATER DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR

Absent

ITEM 7: APPROVAL OF BILL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,782.32:

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve bills in the amount of \$26,782.32. Motion carried.

ITEM 8: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS:

None

ITEM 9: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS:

Eighner states the Library Board is concerned that this is supposed to be a special wind rating on the banners that go over Highway 27. That is what brought this to my mind, about the signs for advertising the marina, the river walk, and it just seems that every time we bring it up, it comes to a dead end. There is not a City on Highway 27 that doesn't have directional signs. Once you get caught up, if the two of you can look into this. It is very important to let people know that our Government offices are down here. Whidden states the library, the marina, the city park; I know it can be done, because there is signage advertising city halls, county courthouses. Eighner states I believe at 5th Street and Avenue J, I think we need to go ahead and get our own sign there. Maybe just one big sign that says City Hall, City Marina, boat launch; at least get our own instead of waiting on DOT. Another thing I have is the EDC; Tracy wanted to thank everyone for attending the dinner. She was very thankful of the strong showing of City employees and City Council, it was very nice. On the veterans' memorial and playground, Prescilla has everything picked out; we are waiting on Maxine to release the budget to us so we can get started on our projects. I also have had 2 citizens call to say what a good job Arthur has been doing with the grabber truck.

Lucas states I don't have anything to report right now, but I did prepare a speech. Lucas reads speech aloud to audience and Council.

Decker has nothing to report.

McGee states I want us to look at getting our corridor on Highway 27, as far as doing the simulated brick that was planned for where there are not any trees. As we go forward, we need to attract businesses in here the best we can.

Whidden states we need some no dog or no pet signs at our ball fields that are fenced in and at the soccer field on 6th Street. I want them at every entrance gate, and at the double gate where you can drive into the soccer field we need no vehicles signs. I also have a question for Steve, what is the law on service animals in the businesses? Is it the owner's responsibility to allow or not allow service animals? Ramunni states no, there is a particular law on that. I will get something back to you on that. It has changes a little recently too.

ITEM 10: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

Nothing to discuss.

ITEM 11: SWEAR IN NEW COUNCIL:

Brantley reads Oath of Office to Brett Whidden, Mark Decker and Clay Browning.

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT

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

Maxine Brantley, City Clerk

Bret Whidden, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

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