

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 20, 2016 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 (ABSENT)
 Melissa Arnold, Deputy 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; Eighner led in the flag salute.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA.

NONE

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

November 15, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION was made by McGee seconded by Lucas to approve the November 15, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried

December 06, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve the December 06, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried

ITEM 5: AWARD HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS.

Lucas presents awards. Third place awarded to Bernada Quintera, second place awarded to Thelma Brinkley and first place awarded to Marvin and Patricia Brown.

ITEM 6: APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE FOR FMPA.

McGee states who was the one that was representing? Whidden states Harry. McGee states Jake's got it then. Eighner state I would like to sit on the EDC and I have been asked to sit on the Chalo Nitka Committee, so at this time I would just like to hold on to those two for right now.

MOTION was made by Lucas seconded by McGee to nominate Marc Decker to be Representative for FMPA. Mark Decker accepts.

ITEM 7: REPORT OF OFFICERS.

7A: Public Work Director

Schlueter states under the Street Department in the month of December we have replaced 61 street signs, 11 stop signs, and 4 other signs. I have ordered more stop signs; we have 18 more stop signs to replace. We have also been raising the stop signs as well. Under drainage on the easements, today they have completed 3 of the easements, they have a couple they completed but need to do the dress up on, but it seems to be running pretty smoothly. They have finished the painting on the racquet ball court yesterday. In water distribution out at the training center, they did the tie in for the water lines yesterday and they did the flushing today and they will do the pressure test on Thursday. They did the sewer; they bored into the manhole but did not complete the tie in. I was not at the last meeting, so I just wanted to give an update on one of the things that was discussed, which was the code enforcement for Alvin's Bait and Tackle. What's going on with that is, the Bedell's were never actually notified in writing about the structure not being compliant, they are aware of it, there were multiple phone calls. On the legal side of it, there was never anything in writing for the property owners to be notified. That has since been done, and they have until January 3rd to send something back to the City with their intent. Either they are going to have to purchase a permit or they are going to have to demolish it. If they don't get back to us by the 3rd then we will issue a notice of non-compliant and they will be given a citation and a court date.

Whidden states on the signs, I think it's great, and you said you were going to be doing some more, just watch your budget. Schlueter states yes, I am keeping that in check. Another thing, on the machine for the drainage, I was under the impression we were getting a machine like what was used behind Ahern's, Goodwill, and the Dollar Store, the skid steerer with the blade on the front where they could slope the swell. Schlueter states a mini excavator was the only thing I knew we were getting and that is what we got. We don't have as much room as that machine requires between the meter boxes and the easements.

Whidden states when are the bee hives going to be moved? Schlueter states I will have to look to see what her inspection date was. She has been sent a certified letter. Whidden states I just want you to give this to Kevin, the problem with the chickens at the old Tommy Tom's house, where he is letting them out now and he has a rooster. He does not have a permit, and he also said that our ordinance is not legal and he can do what he wants to with them. Kevin needs to follow through with our ordinance and let his attorney deal with Steve. I want Kevin also to do

something with the hogs that are in the City of Moore Haven. Deal with the hogs. Schlueter states we are.

7B: City Attorney.

ABSENT

7C: City Clerk.

Arnold states Steve and Jim would like to have a workshop on January 24th to discuss minimum square footage and marijuana regulations. All agree.

7D: Craig A Smith.

NONE

7E: CAS Governmental Services

NONE

7F: Water Department Supervision Reports

Briefman states I don't have anything for the meeting tonight, but I did speak to Steve today. The two of us are working on the South Florida Water Management Permit, he wanted me to let you know that we are working on that.

ITEM 8: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$94,313.73.

MOTION was made by McGee seconded by Decker to approve the bill submitted list in the amount of \$94,313.73. Motion carried.

ITEM 9: CITIZENS COMMENTS / GENERAL CONCERNS.

Jay Odom states I know you all have been busy on the north side of town and I appreciate that, but when are you moving to the south side? Whidden states on code enforcement? Odom states yes sir. Whidden states you just heard all the discussion with Jerri Lynn and she is going to relay that to Kevin. Odom states there are hogs on Avenue S. There were 4 but he is down to 2 now.

ITEM 10: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS.

Eighner states the automatic flushers, they erode the ground. Can we put like a stepping stone or something underneath it. Schlueter states they are supposed to put an old sign under it. Eighner states I wanted to touch base with you to see if we have a pole saw, the limbs around the pavilions need trimming. Schlueter states I have that on a work order already.

Lucas states we have been on FLP for a few months now, are we saving the customers or the City any money. Whidden states citizens are seeing a savings in the power cost.

Decker states there are a few hydrants that still need to be painted. Schlueter states yes, we are working on them.

ITEM 11: DISCUSS FINANCIAL REPORTS IF NEEDED.

NONE

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT

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

Melissa Arnold, Deputy City Clerk

Bret Whidden, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

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