

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 16, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA

Council members present: Bret Whidden, Mayor
 Jacob Eighner, Vice Mayor
 Dave McGee, Councilman
 Marc Decker, Councilman
 Clay Browning, Councilman

Others Present: Maxine Brantley, City Clerk (ABSENT)
 Melissa Arnold, Deputy City Clerk
 Steve Ramunni, City Attorney
 David Miller, City Manager
 Charles Hale, Water Plant Supervisor

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

Whidden does roll call.

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:

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

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

NONE

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

APRIL 02, 2019 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve April 02, 2019 Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

ITEM 5: SAMANTHA RHYMES WITH FFA MEMBERS TO DISCUSS WATER QUALITY ISSUES:

Rhymes states what we are doing here is you have an environmentalist, a Sanibel Island resident, sugar farmers and a business owner in Lee County. Basically they are roll playing in these different areas that are affected by the water quality of Lake Okeechobee.

FFA Members presented a skit to Council on water issues.

ITEM 6: DISCUSS MARINA LEASE AND OTHER OPTIONS:

Whidden states we are going to leave this on the agenda. David is moving forward with it.

ITEM 7: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

7A: CITY MANAGER

Miller states I have spoken to Clyde Johnson's people and hopefully have the marina pavilions done by Thursday. I have hired two part-time personal, and I am bringing them in on Tuesday to get their paperwork done and hopefully start setting up the store. I would like to try to open next Friday. The water park is operational. We got the fence installed around the header. We have talked about getting the covering put back on the concrete, I went back to the original people that put it on there and got numbers from them, it was \$44,000.00. Eighner states that is a lot of money, but it wasn't taken care of how it should have been taken care of, so if we have to spend \$44,000.00 on it, it is going to be taken care of. Whidden states I would like to see a few more quotes with the warranty come with it. Miller states we may have an issue because of the condition of the concrete; they are not going to want to warranty that.

Miller states I spoke to Tracy about this Brownfield project. She gave me these papers and there are certain lots that we own and she is asking us to sign these so that we can go ahead and start. Ramunni states I told her before she got way out in front of us, that we had to look at each parcel to see what is outstanding to see if it is cost effective to continue in that direction. Some of these may have issues we may need to address. Eighner states I think the ones that she has identified; the only one that would have an issue would be the Lundy property, everything else we own outright or she has the consent of the owner. Whidden states that is fine, but Steve is going to have to go through and research all that before we move on that. Ramunni states I would like to see what we are signing before we sign off on anything.

Miller states on the electric issue behind the cafeteria. We are members of FMFA, and I met with their representative on Friday. I have had some difficulties trying to get this thing going, our guys just don't seem quite capable of being able to wrap our arms around it, it is just a little bigger than what we can deal with. It was a great meeting; basically he can bring this metering system down to size the transformers correctly for us. Everything that he is doing right now is free. He is going to help us do it all.

7B: CITY ATTORNEY

Ramunni states we did receive official notice on Jerri Lynn's complaint against the City. She had first filed it at the State level, they rejected it. Then she turned around and filed it on the Federal level and I received notice that we are in the clear. I had gotten a note from Maxine about Mr. Burleson about that property at the quanson hut that there is some sort of title problem. I went ahead and did a search on the property, and I looked at it the other day when I was out here. I am going to write him a letter and ask him what he is talking about. I do not see any issues out there. Whidden states that problem he has is with the new owner the street does not go

all the way through and the owner wants to do something. You probably need to call Mr. Burleson, so he can explain what is happening.

7C: CITY CLERK

Nothing to report.

7D: CRAIG A SMITH

Nothing to report.

7E: CAS GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Nothing to report.

7F: WATER DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR

Hale states the radio communication from the 720 pump station and the down town station. The radios are old and cannot be replaced because they do not make them anymore. We are losing communication at the water treatment plant. I have two quotes, one of them is \$7,200.00 and the other is \$9,000.00. We do have the money in the budget and these are upgraded, it is better communication. Those numbers include programming and installation. Whidden states what is the warranty of them? Hale states I am not sure, but I will find out. Whidden states ok then get with Mr. Miller on the warranty when you find out. We need to get that radio equipment back up. Eighner states the one big thing with me is the warranty, as far as I am concerned which ever warranty is better and Mr. Miller approves it, I'm good with it.

MOTION was made by Eighner, seconded by McGee to approve new radios depending upon the warranty being approved by Mr. Miller. Motion carried.

Hale states the second thing I have is a critical spare part. There is a credit with Suez/GE as of April 1st it was \$16,000.00. We would like to use some of that credit to order a new pump and motor for the UF system. That is the most critical part of the whole system, and if it goes out the UF is down it will take weeks to get it here. Whidden states do you have a place to store it. Hale states yes.

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Decker to approve purchase of pump and motor for UF using credit with Suez/GE. Motion carried.

ITEM 8: APPROVAL OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,174.77:

MOTION was made by McGee, seconded by Eighner to approve bills in the amount of \$112,174.77. Motion carried.

ITEM 9: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS:

Nothing to discuss.

ITEM 10: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO GIVE REPORTS:

Decker states I just hope we are all together when it comes to the meeting on Monday night on the golf carts. I have nothing against the Polaris, they are well lit up. I haven't seen as many police as what I did before David was here that night. Eighner states I do know they are writing tickets.

McGee states I want us to not forget about our main corridor on Highway 27, some of the signs need to be replaced. I know the drive thru is getting a new one, but some of the others have no signs, it is just a bare rectangle setting there.

Browning states I don't have anything.

Eighner states I don't have anything.

Whidden states I don't have anything.

ITEM 11: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

Nothing to discuss.

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT

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

Melissa Arnold, Deputy City Clerk

Bret Whidden, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm