

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 06, 2022, AT 6:15 P.M.
AT CITY HALL, 299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA, 33471.**

Council Members Present:

Bret Whidden, Mayor
Jacob Eighner, Vice Mayor, Financial Officer
Marcus “Marc” Decker
Clay Browning
Jan Gunn

Others Present:

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Larry Tibbs, City Manager
Brandon Roberts, Public Works Director
Steve Ramunni, Attorney

ROLL CALL:

Given by Whidden.

ITEM 1: DISCUSS 2022-2023 BUDGET:

Tibbs states we ran the budget numbers again, one of the things that was missing out of the previous one was the lead lineman so that position has been loaded. We went back and did some other minor changes other than that there were not too many changes than that. we still may have some changes with the sewer, we will have a meeting with CCPWA on 09/26/2022.

Eighner states they went up on our fireworks last year and we always only budgeted \$5,000 and we pay it, and the County reimburses us. But last year the firework company went up, so we paid a little more, but they matched it, but should there be a little more in the budget?

Wills states it was \$5,500 on our side, which is what we had budgeted. In total it was \$11,000.

Eighner states should we add another \$500 to the fireworks and round it off at \$6,000 in case they continue to go up?

Wills states we will probably have to use the same company we used this year as well because the other company e-mailed me today and told me they didn’t know if we could get on their books for this year either because they are so short staffed.

Whidden states if you’ll want to add something to it, even if the County does not match it, we either are going to have to come up with more or get it out of another fund.

Wills states I can contact them and see if they can give us a quote, I know the other one they did a contract.

Eighner states see if we can get a contract. Another question I had maybe you could answer is the animal control truck, when we purchased a new truck for them that truck came back to the City of Moore Haven. I don't know what shape it is in, but if they are asking for one it might be something that can be used around town.

Whidden states we never purchased them a new truck. We gave them one of the nicer trucks and put a transmission in it. We made that donation to the animal control plus some money for our part of the animal control we never bought them a new truck.

Eighner states there is \$35 thousand in the budget now.

Wills states not now.

Gunn states I know Archi has been asking about that for a few months, so I was wondering what happened or what has changed.

Tibbs states we have not got an official request from them to purchase a truck.

Whidden states if we do its not going to be a brand-new truck, but other than that, you and Wills worked on it together and I think the budget is put together very well.

Decker states we have to find us a lead lineman to fill that salary.

Tibbs states I did get some samples from FMPA so I can put together a job description.

Whidden states its not going to be an easy task but you will have to find the right person, a class A certified lead linemen.

ITEM 2: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: By Eighner to adjourn, seconded by Gunn. Motion carried.

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Bret Whidden, Mayor

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