

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022, AT 7:00 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 (ABSENT)
Steve Ramunni, Attorney

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

Given by Whidden.

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:

Invocation given by Browning. Pledge lead by Beck.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

NONE

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

September 6, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION by Browning to approve the September 6, 2022, Regular meeting minutes seconded by Decker. Motion Carried.

September 6, 2022, Tentative Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes.

MOTION by Decker to approve the September 6, 2022, Tentative Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes, seconded by Gunn. Motion Carried.

September 6, 2022, Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes.

MOTION by Eighner to approve the September 6, 2022, Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes, seconded by Browning. Motion Carried.

ITEM 5: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE PROPOSED RESOLUTION/ PROVIDENT GROUP/ ALACHUA COUNTY:

MOTION by Gunn to approve the proposed resolution/Provident Group/Alachua County, seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

ITEM 6: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

6A: CITY MANAGER

Tibbs states does the Council want to schedule a Workshop before the next meeting, to discuss taking home vehicles.

Council agrees.

Whidden states I think it's best to bring that up under Gunn's report once Beck is sitting up here, because that's a decision you'll need to make, and I won't be involved in that decision.

Tibbs states CAS Government Services was on the way but there was an accident on U.S Highway 27, so they are not going to make it.

6B: CITY ATTORNEY

Ramunni states I had a conversation with the Moore Haven Yacht Club attorney, they wanted to follow up. A couple of board members/citizens came about with closing off the roads and making them private. I told them to send us a letter of intent and we will start talking about some of the issues, but obviously if they do make those streets private, they City will no longer be responsible for maintaining those roadways. We still do not have anything in writing, I think their board still must meet to vote.

Eighner states if this goes further and we are going to give up the roads, those boards change every few years, so if we are going to give the roads up and the board changes and they decided to give the roads back to us, it needs to be in the contract that we receive the roads in the same condition that they received them from us.

Whidden states it was a big deal for us to even take the roads. But good point.

6C: CITY CLERK:

NONE

6D: CRAIG A. SMITH:

NONE

6E: CAS GOVERNMENT SERVICES:

NONE

6F: PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Tibbs states most of the material for park restrooms has been received. We should get started on it next week, we will start on the women's restroom first and then proceed to the men's restroom.

Whidden states where are we with the decontamination of the property by the Marina.

Tibbs states we are waiting for a response from the burn plant. We have given them all the studies and lab test. They are still evaluating whether they can take it or not. Okeechobee landfill has already turned us down.

Whidden states if you can please keep me posted on that. Brewington and I, which represents the Glades Electric property had a meeting with the gentlemen who is interested in doing a Restaurant/Tiki Bar over there. I plan on staying involved in that and advising you'll. While also staying involved with the Moore Haven Canal project.

ITEM 7: APPROVAL OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,621.95.

MOTION by Eighner to approve the bills in the amount of \$51,621.95, seconded by Browning. Motion carried.

ITEM 8: SWEAR IN COUNCILMEN:

Whidden states before I move on, I have been here 20 years on this Council been Mayor for 17 of those years. It's been a good ride we got a lot of things accomplished. I want to ask this Council if it's good for this Community/City, go for it work together on it. That's the only way we can move forward with what the people want here.

Ramunni states Wills is going to swear everyone in at the same time. We will reorganize at the next meeting.

ITEM 9: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS:

NONE

ITEM 10: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

Eighner states the only thing I have tonight is the invitation to the EDC dinner the City has always sponsored a table there. I would like to go ahead and sponsor a table again this year. The \$500 covers our chairs and to bring a guest is \$75.00.

Eighner states the one other thing I had was if you noticed we paid our contract to put the decorations on the light poles on Highway 27 for Christmas, well last year we found some and I can't remember if the school purchased them, or if we did, but we only had so many of them that we put on the lamp poles out here. I would like for Wills to look and see if we could add those with the contract we already have to see if we can add a few or look into purchasing some like we found last year. They really lit up this area and added to the Art in the Park. They were on all 4 comers.

Gunn states we need to schedule a workshop for the take home vehicles.

Tibbs states prior to the next meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Ramunni states we may just need to do a quick CaPFA we can do that at 6:55 P.M.

MOTION by Eighner to pay the EDC \$500 to sponsor a table at the EDC dinner, seconded by Browning. Motion carried.

ITEM 11: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Beck to adjourn, seconded by Eighner. Motion carried.

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Bret Whidden, Mayor