

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COIMCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 06, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M AT CITY HALL
299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA,33471.**

Council Members Present:

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

Others Present:

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Larry Tibbs, City Manager
Brad Simmons, Public Works Director
Steve Ramunni, Attorney

ROLL CALL:

Given by Browning.

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:

Invocation given by Beck. Pledge lead by Browning.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

ITEM4 DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES:

November 15, 2022, Regular meeting minutes.

MOTION: by Decker to approve the meeting minutes for November 15, 2022, seconded by Beck.
Motion Carried.

**ITEM 5: SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #351 AMENDING THE LAND
DEVELOPMENT CODE OF MOORE HAVEN BY REVISING SECTION 125-58;
MARINA AREA:**

Ramunni reads ordinance #351.

MOTION: By Eighner to amend ordinance #351, the land development code of Moore Haven by revising section 125-58; Marina area, seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

ITEM 6: AWARD TO WOLFF'S LAWN MACHINES FOR PURCHASE OF A GRASSHOPPER COMMERCIAL MOWER 328G4-61 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,888.75:

MOTION: By Decker to award Wolff's Lawn Machines in the amount of \$ 10,888.75, seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

ITEM 7: AWARD TO EVERGLADES EQUIPMENT FOR PURCHASE OF A 2023 JOHN DEERE GATOR HPX615E IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,547.88:

MOTION: By Eighner to award Everglades Equipment for the purchase of a 2023 John Deere Gator in the amount of \$10,547.88, seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

ITEM 8: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-05 REGARDING THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MAINTENANCE AND COMPENSATION AGREEMENT:

Eighner states these issues came up when Roberts was here, Kelly has always done the bushhog mowing across the bridge and when Kelly left, we were unsure of what we were supposed to be doing and what the boundaries were. So, I would like the contract survey of where it's supposed to be done.

MOTION: By Eighner to approve resolution No. 2022-05, seconded by Decker. Motion carried.

ITEM 9: DISCUSS AND/ OR APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-06 REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS (FLAGLER COLLEGE PROJECT) FOR THE PROJECTS TO BE LOCATED IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Ramunni states this is the item we discussed at the last meeting under CaPFA. Singleton had the Tefra meeting the other day and there were no issues so this would be Resolution No. 2022-06.

MOTION: By Decker to approve Resolution No. 2022-06, seconded by Eighner. Motion carried.

ITEM 10: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

CITY MANAGER:

Tibbs states the City attorney issued a letter of default to the individual who is leasing the Marina. They have since vacated the property. I did go down there and look and did not see any major damages. He has not officially turned in the keys, but we do consider the property abandoned.

Ramunni states I did talk to Tibbs briefly, we are going to go ahead and change the locks tomorrow since under law he as abandoned the project, he has attempted to turn in the keys by a third party. Wills refused that which she should have. We have already changed the locks on the bathrooms because there were videos showing access through-out the night.

Beck states what should we do about the bathrooms now that he as left? There were still people going in while the bathrooms were open during the day and taking showers.

Wills states their technically supposed to come here and pay for a shower if they want to take one.

Eighner states is there a sign that notifies them where to pay?

Wills states I'm not sure I haven't been in there and looked in the bathroom.

Tibbs states we started renovating the park restrooms, we have both of them closed down temporarily.

CITY ATTORNEY:

Ramunni states we have the code enforcement hearings scheduled for 12/20/2022 I have sent out all of my notices, but now I understand we don't have a code enforcement officer. I will try to coordinate with Wills as for who I will need for court. Simmons would be the best appropriate person to come to the judge and say here is the current condition if there is no compliance.

Eighner states are you up to date on all the cases? If not, can you check on it?

Ramunni there were 8 of them that went out.

CITY CLERK:

NONE.

CRAIG A. SMITH

NONE.

CAS GOVERNMENT SERVICES:

NONE.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Simmons states at the ball fields we changed out some of the lights I was down there earlier after dark and there is one more, we will change out tomorrow they are on a timer and all three fields are working. I have put a crew on Tuesday and Thursdays to go down there and clean the bathrooms. But there is an issue with lack of supervision in which kids are going in there and destroying them. As Tibbs stated, the renovations have started for the restrooms at the park. Demolition has been done and the rest of the materials are at the City barn. We will start to clean and paint tomorrow that will probably take two days and then our handyman can come back in and

put in the partitions. The Marina project started today they have hauled 16 loads out today. If you all see anything, please give me a call.

Browning states over on H and 6th street there is a cable hitting the ground it's not an electrical cable, but you may want to get with someone to see if they can get it lifted up.

Decker states street signs and stop signs once the mowing slows down.

**ITEM 11: APPROVAL OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,950.21.
IMS SYSTEM \$168.20, ACLARIAN SYSTEM \$112,782.01:**

MOTION: By Eighner to approve the bills in the amount of \$112,950.12, seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

ITEM 12: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS, SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED 3 MINUTES:

Citizen Mrs. Brown states who maintains the area in the median on 10th street and U.S 27? Is it the City maintaining that?

Council states yes ma'am.

Citizen Mrs. Brown states is there anyway they can cut those hedges a little lower because when you're coming across 10th street you can't see anything going because the hedges are blocking the traffic. Another thing that I ran across is on Cactus Ave and the 3-way stop we have a bus there and when that bus is parked you can't see the stop sign.

Council states we will keep an eye on it.

Citizen states I live at the Yacht Club and my water meter box is broken.

Beck states have you called into City Hall about it.

Citizen states no I just talked to the guys who have came by and read it.

Beck states okay, just for future issues next time call City Hall because they are the ones who dispatch the guys out.

ITEM 13: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

Beck states I got with Simmons about the mulch in the park and he is going to take care of that and pressure washing the tennis courts and the bleachers at the ball fields, please put that on rotation. Do we do like an employee Christmas party?

Wills states we usually do like a potluck, it will be the 23rd.

Beck states and we don't have a Christmas tree like outside.

Wills states no, we don't have one of those.

Beck states I think we need to have a big Christmas tree out there.

Tibbs states about a 9ft.

Gunn states there are probably other Cities that have them maybe you could call and see where they got theirs at.

Beck states we need to establish a maintenance program with Simmons, that's one of my goals, to keep track of the maintenance on equipment and the meter at GCDC.

Tibbs states they have a 6 inch meter out there now, if they are just going to use it for administration, they wouldn't need that for that kind of capacity. The question was could we charge them as if it was a 2-inch line would be. So, Craig A Smith is supposed to be working on that to determine if we would have to remove current stuff that is out there and replace it, or if there is a way to use what is there and just change the rates.

Ramunni states I talked to Gene he was supposed to call you to make sure we don't lose the difference on the rates.

Beck states any update on the Veterans Memorial.

Eighner states me and Simmons did meet with them over there and they said they would have it done by Christmas they were supposed to come to town today, but he told me they were waiting on concrete trucks, and they were not going to make it today he said to see him here by Friday. And the bill is going to the County. Another thing I want to talk about is meter reading. For example, Clewiston they read meters everyday they don't just read them in first two day of the month. And I'm talking about transportation is where I'm getting at, we ran into some incidents this past week reading meters and there are not enough vehicles to go around and read the meters and some of you may not know but when you open the book to read it, it's not in order, or your dropping people off who are newer employees or who are not too familiar with the books and its taking entirely to much time and money to read these books. I rather spend a \$100 on golf carts if we need it to help assist reading these meters to help cut it from 3 days to maybe a day and a half. and hopefully in the future Connie can get us some money and we are going to get the AMI water meters (automatic meter) that will probably be done in phases due to it costing a lot of money. I feel as if Simmons or Tibbs think they need golf carts on meter reading days then they should be able to if they can get one for a reasonable price.

ITEM 14: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

NONE.

ITEM 15: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: By Eighner to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Clay Browning, Mayor

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