

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 02, 2024, AT 7:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL
299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA, 33471.**

Council Members Present:

Wayne Browning, Mayor
Jacob Eighner, Vice Mayor, Financial Officer
Marcus “Marc” Decker
Alisha Beck
Bradley Smith

Others Present:

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

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

Given by Browning.

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation given by Beck. Pledge lead by Browning.

ITEM 3: ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

NONE.

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

Decker states as an addition to the minutes, I had asked if we came out even on the budget which Tibbs stated we were to the good, but not much and that was not in the minutes. So can we add that.

Wills states yes.

March 19, 2024, Workshop Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: By Eighner to approve March 19, 2024, Workshop Meeting Minutes with the corrections, seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

March 19, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: by Decker to approve March 19, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Eighner. Motion carried.

ITEM 5: FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #356, VACATING DISCONTINUING & CLOSING A PORTION OF TENTH STREET:

Ramunni states as I reported at the last meeting, we have received the legal description and the sketch from the engineers, I verified with Simmons the portion we will be closing off. This will be the first reading then we will publish and have the second reading will possibly be in about two meetings.

MOTION: By Decker to approve the first reading of ordinance of #356, seconded by Smith motion carried.

ITEM 6: DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS- CHAPTER 2.1 (D) LICENSE REQUIREMENT AS PRESENTED AT THE JANUARY 16, 2024, COUNCIL MEETING:

MOTION: By Beck to approve the proposed changes to the personnel rules and regulations chapter 2.1 (D) license requirement as presented at the January 16, 2024, Council Meeting, seconded by Smith motion carried. 3-2 vote.

ITEM 7: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

CITY MANAGER:

Tibbs states the project out here by City Hall, if you look out there, they have 3 pieces of the drainage installed and they have one down by the Veterans Memorial to install and soon should be back to working on the roads. The Florida Department of Commerce may be in the area April 8th or 9th, they are visiting areas where they have grant projects going on. The South Florida Regional Planning Council has received a grant from the State for doing assessments on contaminated properties. Homeowners can request a level 1 review which is where they don't break any ground, there is no cost to the homeowner. They have also requested any properties we would suggest that they do.

Eighner states did our boating improvement grant make it to Tallahassee?

Tibbs states yes it did, it got some comments on things we have to add/correct. But, it did pass review and did meet the deadline.

CITY ATTORNEY:

Ramunni states after the last meeting I did try and contact the Glades County attorney about the issue with the flooding I did send him an email offering our assistance, I have not had the opportunity to speak with him yet.

Eighner states he has reached out to every official in Glades County to get their support, yesterday the City & County Commissioners in Okeechobee County said they are letting them know that it's going to stop economic growth.

Ramunni states Wills pulled the file for the Moore Haven Restaurant and there are two ways I can go about with it, back when we first had it adjudicated through code enforcement, there is an order assessing a lien back in November of 2022 the total amount was \$6,025.00, it's been bearing interest since then. Since they have not been in compliance, we could go back through code enforcement and up the amount of the lien. I will start the paperwork to get that filed.

Browning states where do we stand with Mr. Baez.

Ramunni states he appealed, but there is an eviction hearing scheduled sometime this month.

CITY CLERK:

NONE.

CRAIG A. SMITH

NONE.

CAS GOVERNMENT SERVICES:

NONE.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Simmons states we have the north side of town just about done with the ditch spraying; the side arm is broken again on the mower; we have to get that fixed. The lift station we need to pump them down as far as we can with our pumps and Meeks needs to come and pump all the rest of the stuff out to be able to get them inspected and find out what we need to fix.

Eighner states while the splash pad is down can we get it painted?

ITEM 8: APPROVAL OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,772.82:

MOTION: By Beck to approve the bills in the amount of \$32,772.82, seconded by Eighner. Motion carried.

ITEM 9: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS, SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES:

NONE.

ITEM 10: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

Beck states Tibbs do you know when the contract with FPL expires.

Tibbs states 2025, I'm unsure if the month.

Beck states okay, can you look into that?

Decker states, did we get rid of the mosquito truck or does mosquito control get rid of those themselves.

Wills states I believe they have to go through the state.

Eighner states Mrs. Brown gave a presentation about seeing if we could give a donation of \$500 this year. She also asked about us bringing it up when its time to do the budget for next year. That is for the Glades County School children. Also, don't we have a policy for new employees ordering uniforms? I have seen the guys on the back of the garbage truck in t-shirts, we have to make sure they are wearing reflective gear while on the truck.

ITEM 11: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

NONE.

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT:

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

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Wayne Browning, Mayor