

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
JULY 16, 2024, AT 6:00 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 Superintendent
Steve Ramunni, Attorney

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

Given by Browning.

ITEM 2: DISCUSS DOCKAGE RATES AND RULES:

Eighner states we agreed dockage was broken down into three types of dockages. Transit dockage that is \$1 per foot. Wills had some comparisons.

Wills states the LaBelle Yacht Club and Roland Martin Marina were pricier than us and some did not rent by the day they only rented by the month. Roland Martin, I believe rented by them and they were like \$1.25 more per foot than we are.

Decker states what does next door charge?

Wills states \$1.00 per foot.

Eighner states when they are plugged in here are we at least covering the utility usage.

Wills states we are making money off of it, it just depends on how much electricity and water they use.

Beck states LaBelle is \$4 a foot per day and \$25 a foot per month. It definitely increased.

Wills states I believe it was LaBelle that said they did not provide any amenities for them to shower or restrooms to use.

Eighner states the docks is a part of the City’s crew, with shutting down at night. We have not used any of that money out there to repair the restrooms that are constantly needing it. I say let’s go \$2 or \$2.50 on it and put this money into bathroom/recreational. How much are the monthly slips?

Wills states is \$75 a month. They cannot live or work on the boat down there, it’s only for storage.

Beck states I think somewhere around \$2 per foot for the dockage out front.

Council agrees.

Eighner states right now down at the Marina the monthly fee is \$75. Do we want to go up \$25.00 on that or like it the same.

Browning states that's about \$2.50 a day.

Decker states how many slips are there available down there.

Wills states we have about 1 or 2 available out of 12 slips.

Browning states if we do \$90 a month that's \$3 a day, I feel like that's fair.

Decker states I don't mind going up on the price for the dockage out front, but we also don't want to lose what we have down at the Marina. Those are local people down there.

Beck states I would like to still go up on the overnight dockage here out front of City Hall to \$3.

Council agrees.

Eighner states lets come back to this and move down to the Sea Wall. Wills what was the issues down there?

Wills states they wanted to dock on the Seawall for 6 months.

Beck states we had someone who wanted to prepay, and have it marked off on the calendar for when they returned back down here.

Wills states we had charged them \$250.00 flat rate per month because it was our first time ever doing that. They also had to pay 4 months in advance.

Tibbs states we should probably come up with a proposal for each of these and then come back and approve them individually.

Eighner states I think we should set a base rate for whatever we decided monthly and then so much a foot per day.

Browning how many boats do we get that come up for so many days.

Wills states we have a 5-night maximum stay and it's \$1 a foot per night.

Eighner states Maxine had the docks in front of City Hall as a transit dock so it could not be blocked off, but at the Marina we can. Okay so everyone agrees to go to \$3 a foot on dockage in front of City Hall correct.

Council agrees.

Beck states down at the Marina should be set up for long term

Browning states I think we need to keep the 5-day maximum.

Eighner states I think if we were to make a motion it would be \$3 a foot for the transit dockage, \$75 for the slips we will leave that alone, and \$500 a month or \$8 a foot per night at the Marina, first come first serve.

Browning states I have a question if we had a charter business working from the Marina would we charge more, since they would be making money off of it?

Tibbs states yes that would have to be negotiated.

ITEM 3: DISCUSS THE SETUP AND SALE OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY LIMITS:

Tibbs states this came about because in the statues it talks about a seasonal retailer, that is someone who operates from June 20th to July 5th and December 10th to January 2nd, right now there are no places that prohibit that, But I'm sure you'll will want to select areas that will be such as residential areas.

Browning states will they still going to have to get an occupational license?

Tibbs states according to the Statue they do have to pay the States registration fees but that is collected and paid to the State. So, we should probably set a special permit fee.

Browning states I would say do a special event permit fee of at least \$100

Eighner states agreed I would not want to charge them more than the State, we may have to create an application for them and require they have their states licenses and pay the \$100.

Tibbs states we would also require them to provide their location of set up and dates. With the proof of the property owner approval.

ITEM 4: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: By Beck to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Smith. Motion Carried.

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

Wayne Browning, Mayor