

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FEBUARY 18, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL
299 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MOORE HAVEN, FLORIDA,33471.**

Council Members Present:

Wayne Browning, Mayor (Absent)
Marcus "Marc" Decker, Vice Mayor, Financial Officer
Alisha Beck
Bradley Smith
RaShonda Croskey

Others Present:

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

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL:

Given by Decker.

ITEM 2: INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation given by Beck. Pledge lead by Smith.

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

Tibbs states I wanted to make a correction on Feb 4th regular meeting minutes page 3, there was a discussion about a pump at the sewer plant. It states it is a 2500hp pump, but it is supposed to be a 25hp pump.

MOTION: By Smith to correct the February 4th Regular Meeting Minutes on page 3 about the discussion on the sewer plant pump it is not a 2500hp pump. It is corrected to be a 25hp pump, seconded by Croskey. Motion Carried.

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

December 16, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: By Croskey to approve December 16, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes, seconded by Beck. Motion Carried.

February 04, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: By Smith to approve February 04, 2025, seconded by Croskey. Motion Carried.

ITEM6: RATIFY MAYORAL PROCLAMATION HONORING LEONARD NICHOLS ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY:

Ramunni reads ratification for Mayoral Proclamation honoring Leonard Nichols on his 100th birthday.

MOTION: By Beck to approve the ratification for Mayoral Proclamation honoring Leonard Nichols on his 100th birthday, seconded by Croskey. Motion Carried.

ITEM 6: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

CITY MANAGER:

Tibbs states on February 14th we had Florida Technical Consultants, the company that is doing the City's GIS mapping system. They are going to work on the water lines first due to us having a deadline for EPA for the water line identification. They do have everything that Craig A. Smith had, such as the as-builts and plans that they had throughout the years. Once a month the County hosts a meeting on broadband development meeting, and we did hear Xfinity stated the project they have they would put broadband on some of the City's telephone poles they have access to. There are still some things they have to complete; I was hoping possibly by next week we could schedule a workshop with them to discuss that option. It was brought to my attention that the Mosquito Control District used to hold their meeting at the warehouse and then they had ADA issues, so they started to hold them here. I know the board has changed, I am not sure if the board would like to suggest they move it back to the warehouse or not. They will still have a functioning here because Arnold dose does their books for them.

CITY ATTORNEY:

Ramunni states the County did approve utilizing the same Code Enforcement method through a contract using an administrative Judge through Zoom. When I spoke to Pringel prior to the meeting he was under the impression that the Judge was going to come in person, and it was going to cost more money. I told him no, I had it set up to do it by Zoom but we would prefer to use the Court room.

CITY CLERK:

Wills states last year when we prepared to do our budget the Glades Education Foundation came to use asking for a donation. I believe at the time we spoke about doing \$500.00. That is all we really have now in budget. I also have a letter from them.

MOTION: By Beck to approve a donation to the Glades Education Foundation in the amount of \$500.00, seconded by Croskey. Motion Carried.

CRAIG A. SMITH

NONE.

CAS GOVERNMENT SERVICES:

NONE.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT:

Simmons states everything has been running as normal, we have been trimming the trees, mowing, and putting out much. I have a little update in the sewer plant we got what we can get working, right now earthing is working like it should. We do have an inspection on Thursday. Craig A. Smith did come out and do a walk through and wrote down what all needed to be fixed.

Croskey states I have a question about the road behind the Angler.

Simmons states we put a dump truck load of dirt on it the next morning after the last meeting. And it is already looking like how it did with this rain.

Croskey states what else we can do besides patching it to get it fixed. because when the rain comes it just washes it right out.

Simmons states there are sewer and water mains in there down there now that you have to be careful working down because we could tear up a lot of stuff.

Beck states that road should be on a list to be completed with the Sportsman's project. They are supposed to come back and fix it.

Tibbs states yes and they are not completed with that project yet from what I heard.

ITEM 7: APPROVAL OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$168,168.95:

MOTION: By Beck to approve the bills in the amount of \$168,168.95 seconded by Smith. Motion Carried.

ITEM 8: CITIZENS COMMENTS/GENERAL CONCERNS, SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES:

Citizen Vivian Miller states I am thrilled y'all are doing that for Mr. Nichols. We have a resident in the Yach Club that is 103 years old. When he became a 100, I spoke to Eighner to see if the city can do something for him and he told me there nothing you'll can do. So, can we do something for him?

The council states yes, just give us his information.

Citizen Vivian Miller states another thing I had was we have a resident in our park by the name of Wallace. For the past two years he has thrown water bottles into our flower bed, we have him on video. We also have two black garbage bags and two five-gallon buckets full of bottles that they told us to collect. He goes in front of our camera every day and does/ says foul things.

Beck states have you speak with the Sheriff's Department about this.

Citizen Vivian Miller states yes, we have and nothing has been done. So, I am coming to the city to see if we can do something with a Code violation or to see what else can we do.

Ramunni states we cannot really respond as the City because that would be an enforcement mechanism, either criminally if they do prosecute or say if there is a citation that is issued by our Code officer and then it will go to the special magistrate. You can make a complaint to the Code Enforcement

Officer, and she will follow up, and if there is a violation she can create the person. But if it is criminal law that is a different process.

Citizen Cisneros states I know the new trash deal is a learning process for everyone. I called for an extra trash pick-up last week, and they took the trash which I appreciate. But they also took my \$80-\$90 trash can too. So, I called today for an extra pick up today and told them “to please don’t take my can this time” but I guess if you do not specify, they are going to throw the whole can away. So, my concern was why would it not be a default to just throw the trash that is in the can away, and if you want the whole can throw away just ask for that suggestion.

Decker states so a trash truck just came and threw out your trash can.

Citizen Cisneros states who ever came out and picked up the trash, took the whole trash can with them.

Beck states the issues is there has been a lot of people calling in requesting for us to pick up their old cans, and he should not have assumed you did not want your old can. But with the new system I do think it was a misunderstanding.

ITEM 9: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

ITEM 10: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

NONE.

ITEM 11: 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