

**MOORE HAVEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2026, 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 Decker.

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

None.

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

July 31, 2024, Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: By Croskey to approve April 07, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes seconded by Beck. Motion carried.

ITEM 5: DELEGATE COUNCIL MEMBER TO SIGN THE FPL LETTER OF CREDIT RENEWAL AT FIRST BANK:

Wills states this is for formality. I had Browning sign this, I forgot it had to go on the meeting minutes.

MOTION: By Beck to approve Browning to sign the FPL letter of credit renewal at First Bank, seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

ITEM 6: ADDITION OF AVENUE H REPAVING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,270.00 TO ALL COUNTY NATIONAL PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS AWARD OF NTE \$249,985.00 FOR STREET RESURFACING PROJECTS APPROVED ON MARCH 17, 2026, AGENDA ITEM #5A:

Tibbs at the March 17th meeting we did approve to award All County National Pavement Management Solutions for the paving of 3rd, 4th and 5th Street. Following that we did get a quote for paving Ave H which was \$99,270.00. We are requesting to add that. They are supposed to be out here May 18th- 20th to do the work.

MOTION: By Beck to approve the addition of Ave H repaving in the amount of \$99,270.00 to All County National Pavement Management Solutions award of NTE \$429,985.00 for street resurfacing projects approved on March 17, 2026, Agenda Item #5A, seconded by Croskey. Motion carried.

ITEM 7: REPORT OF OFFICERS:

CITY MANAGER:

Tibbs states as far as broadband, Xfinity has extended their project, they are still out there working as we know because they have broken some of our lines. We don't have a completion date on them yet. We will tally up a bill for what they have damaged.

Decker states we had an employee bit by a dog?

Tibbs states yes, we did. Yesterday afternoon.

Simmons states I called the Sheriff's department, and they came out with Animal Control, they quarantined the dog at their house.

Decker states they left the dog at the house?

Simmons states correct, and I believe this is the second or third incident with the dog.

Wills states I did send over the Ordinance on nuisance animals to the Sheriff's Department and Animal Control. The Sheriff's Department told me they are basically Animal Control's back-up, and they can't really enforce anything on their side. Animal Control is the that will have to enforce any fees or anything of that sort. Animal Control also stated in an email that she was aware of the Ordinance and their dog was only let out because it followed the owner out.

CITY ATTORNEY:

Ramunni states we successfully completed the one Code Enforcement hearing last week. As I was preparing the order I spoke with Wills about, we use to have under contract with Sargent's Towing for towing. I asked Wills to look into entering a contract for towing. Because the Judge gave us the authority to have it removed after 10 days. I did put it in the order that the City would not be

responsible for the bill. I also wanted to let you'll know I will be out of State for the May 5th meeting.

CITY CLERK:

NONE.

CRAIG A. SMITH

NONE.

CAS GOVERNMENT SERVICES:

Vanassche states I'm going to give a Legislative update; the Sea Wall Project is in purposed House budget for 50% funding. When they decide to call a Special Session for the States budget, we are going to be working on getting this Project for the full ask and we are going to try and get the others in too. On April 17th they had a Joint Budget Committee meeting in Tallahassee because they had federal grant money coming in and it was only for certain subjects. After that meeting there was a press conference with Senate of Appropriations Chair Cooper, he stated they did not have an agreement on budget allocations. There is still no call on the Budget or Property tax issues. The Venerability assessment, we did get a time extension until June 2027. DEP approved task 2 & 3 reports. We are now eligible to submit a reimbursement request because you have to have a letter stating that task has been approved. we applied for the AMI Project at Congressman Franklin's office; we are asking for his sponsorship of funding that Project. I looked at his website today and it looks like he did not take the Project up, They were only allowed 15 Project. We submitted Countryside Meadows on behalf of the County and that was listed on the website.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT:

Simmons states the sewer extension project on the north side of town there was nothing in the contract for re-stripping and I think that is something that needs to be done. The company we have coming are going to be doing their roads and maybe we can get them to do those roads as well. we have a couple pavilions on the River and in the Park that need to be revamped. I'm going to reach out to a few Contractors and get quotes. Thursday we are going to visit Spering Lake to take a look at their new Wastewater facility.

Ramunni states we had a meeting at the Sewer Plant yesterday. At next week's sewer meeting we may want to set a Workshop to discuss options and alternatives about the Plant.

Croskey states Simmons thank you for taking care of the situation at the Ball Fields the other day. But, do you think it would be able to get something in place where they can do a work order? So, we don't run into that problem again.

Simmons states I agree.

ITEM 8: APPROVAL OF THE BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,898.27:

MOTION: By Beck to approve the bills in the amount of \$96,898.27, seconded by Croskey. Motion carried.

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

Citizen Eighner states like the places on Ave F we always complained about for several years regarding code violations. But it's not just Code Enforcement, there is a fire violation as well, because of everything around it. It is not just the City going over there, it's the Health Department the Building Department. Some of these other agencies can help assist with Code Enforcement. Several years ago, it was discussed to re-do the bathrooms at the Chalo Nitka Grounds. I would like to see if we can ask Vanassche to try and find a grant to help re-vamp our Chalo Nitka Grounds and bathrooms to get them in ADA compliance.

Ramunni states how long have the bathrooms been there?

Eighner states since the 80's.

Ramunni if we have an issue with ADA compliance, we probably should address that sooner than later. Is there a local contractor that can do an evaluation to see what is needed to have it in compliance with ADA?

ITEM 10: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO GIVE REPORTS:

None.

ITEM 11: DISCUSS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF NEEDED:

None.

ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT:

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

Ashley Wills, City Clerk
Meeting adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

Wayne Browning, Mayor