

Moville City Council
September 7, 2016

Mayor James Fisher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call: Tom Conolly, Jake Thomas, Bruce Schmidt, Nate Bauer and Kirk Lubbers are present. Bauer motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Schmidt; Thomas motioned to approve minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Conolly; All motions approved and accepted.

The council reviewed the Urban Revitalization Tax Abatement application from Jacob and Emily Thomas. They seek a partial exemption for 10 years for their new house at 821 Logan Dr. Conolly motioned to approve the Tax Abatement, Schmidt seconds- ayes motion carries. Thomas abstained.

The council heard from Board of Adjustment Chairman Dan McCoy regarding the request for a Variance from Pam and Troy Anderson. Their building permit for a garage addition at 620 Main Street was declined due to being closer than the required 30 feet setback to the front lot line. McCoy informed the council that the Board of Adjustment approved the variance to allow the garage to be 22.5 feet from the front yard lot line. This allows the proposed garage at 620 Main to be built in line with other houses / garages near them on the same street.

Guests in attendance are Kent Baker, Mike Weaver, Jerry Sailer, Chief Jereme Muller, Christen Howrey, Dianne Everhart, John Russom Jr., Dan McCoy, Dave Christensen, and Jason Still.

Fire Chief Jerry Sailer gave an update.

There was no update to give on the property located at 24 S. 2nd Street. The city put up a For Sale sign after the last meeting and had some calls with questions, but has received no proposals to date.

Public Works Supervisor Mike Weaver gave a Public Works update. Jason Still with Titan presented info on a program that Titan has now that offers the City a "rental" tractor at no cost to the City. Titan will "rent" the City a new tractor to use for up to 200 hours as a way to get these new tractors out and visible to the public. Lubbers motioned to enter into this rental agreement, Schmidt seconded- ayes motion carries. The City agrees to carry insurance on the tractor and Mike Weaver will get bids to sell our old tractor.

Jake Thomas let the council know that he has been working with a website hosting company to evaluate if we can save monthly on our website hosting. The company is currently analyzing the information and will update us at the next meeting.

The council heard updates from Clerk Peterson and Chief Muller regarding complaints received about a dog at 316 Jones apartments. The dog's breed falls under our Dangerous Animal definition contained in City Code Section 4-3-3. Since it does not have a current vaccination record, it is not eligible for a license. Had the dog been licensed establishing it has run at large would be a basis to revoke its license. An unlicensed dog must be removed from the City. Attorney Metcalf will draft a letter and send it to the owner Josh Butler with a request to remove the dog.

The council discussed the proposed Rental Property Inspection list and procedure. Conolly motioned to approve the proposed Rental Property Inspection list and procedure, Lubbers seconded. Ayes- motion carries. Schmidt abstained. Metcalf will draft a proposal for the Rental Property Inspection list and procedure and the council will continue to discuss and finalize specifics regarding the procedure.

The council reviewed the proposal from ISG regarding updating our zoning districts and comprehensive plan. Bauer motioned to accept the proposal from ISG, Thomas seconded- ayes, motion carries.

The council reviewed the proposal from ISG for a Frontage Road Annexation Area Study. Bauer motioned to approve the proposal, Conolly seconded- ayes, motion carries. Mayor Fisher has talked to David Gleiser about using the \$10,000 from Woodbury County for this and he says we can.

Mayor Jim Fisher expressed interest in having a needs assessment done for motel services. It was suggested he find out what the assessment would cost and let the council know.

Mayor Fisher requests that the council review our current comprehensive plan to ensure that we are following the recommended timeline for projects. Council members requested copies of the plan from Clerk Peterson who will work to get them for them.

With no further business, Thomas motioned to adjourn and Conolly seconded, all ayes, motion approved- meeting closed at around 7:30 pm.

Jodi Peterson
City Clerk

James Fisher
Mayor