

Moville City Council

September 6, 2017

Mayor James Fisher called the meeting to order at around 6:00pm. Roll Call: Tom Conolly, Bruce Schmidt, Jake Thomas, Kirk Lubbers and Nate Bauer are present. Bauer motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Thomas. Ayes, motion carries. Schmidt motioned to approve minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Thomas. Ayes, motion carries. The council reviewed the fence permit from Josh and Sadie Wahlberg for their property at 320 Jackson Street. Thomas motioned to approve the fence permit, seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries. Clerk Peterson provided the council with the Accounts Receivable Audit Report and the Utility Billing Trial Balance to show that they are in balance. Conolly pointed out an error in the August 2, 2017 minutes that stated council members are paid \$30 per hour. The previous minutes stand corrected that members of the council receive \$30 per meeting.

Guests include Police Chief Jereme Muller, Fire Chief Jerry Sailer, Kent Baker and Dianne Everhart.

During Open Public Forum, Dianne Everhart presented the council with a written statement regarding her opinion on Main Street businesses, the Mayor, and the Moville Record.

Fire Chief Jerry Sailer presented a Fire Department update. He let the council know they received a \$50,381 FEMA grant that will be used towards gear. He invites everyone to their Open House Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7pm at the Moville Fire Station.

Police Chief Jereme Muller has been working with Verizon to get information regarding replacing the three City-paid Cell phones. The current ones are in poor condition and need upgrades. Muller is currently addressing feedback from MYRA about the soccer fields to ensure safety and compliance with the current one-way path of the entrance and exit.

Attorney Metcalf presented the resolution approving construction contract to Grundman-Hicks, LLC out of Cherokee, Iowa for lift station improvements. Bauer motioned to approve this resolution, Schmidt seconded. Ayes, motion carries. Metcalf also summarized the 27 page resolution approving and authorizing the sewer revenue capital loan from the Iowa Finance Authority for \$856,000 and providing for a method of payment of said notes. Schmidt motioned to approve this resolution, seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries. Included in this resolution is a proposed approval of the form of tax exemption certificate. Bauer motioned to approve this certificate, seconded by Schmidt. Ayes, motion carries.

Metcalf gave a second reading of the resolution to add \$3.00 to the base utility billing sewer rates. Conolly motioned to approve this resolution, Schmidt seconded. Ayes, motion carries. Bauer motioned to waive the third reading, seconded by Schmidt. Ayes, motion carries.

In regard to the property at 102 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, the portion of this property that includes the house is currently for sale. Engineer Scott Gernhart is working with prospective developers and builders to schedule a tour of some of their current projects so we can explore development options for this property. MCDAL members and the council will be invited to tour and voice their opinions.

The council discussed the liquor license application from the 4-Way Stop Shop. Conolly motioned to approve the application, seconded by Bauer. Ayes, motion carries.

The council discussed amending the March 2017 outbuilding resolution. Mayor Fisher let them know that Inspector Dave Christensen will work on an edit of the resolution and bring it to council for review. Will add to future agenda.

Clerk Peterson presented details of Bill Brooks' training repayment contract. After a discussion, the council directed Metcalf to send Brooks a letter outlining the final costs of training and a repayment schedule.

The council discussed possible members of an "Appeal Board". Roger Christiansen and Scott Linden were recommended as appointees. At least three members are needed. Council will continue to "recruit" and discuss again.

Mayor Fisher gave an update on possible sidewalks along Fair Street and hopes to discuss the issue with the Fair Board in the near future. Sidewalks along Highway 140 were not discussed.

The council briefly discussed vacant buildings in Merville business district. No action taken at this time.

Mayor Fisher let the council know that the Planning and Zoning Board is currently reviewing our proposed Zoning Ordinances and plan to meet soon regarding the topic.

With no further business Thomas motioned to adjourn at around 7:40 pm and Conolly seconded. All ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Jodi Peterson

James Fisher

City Clerk

Mayor