

Moville City Council –Wednesday, March 4, 2026.

Roll Call: Paul Malm, (zoom), John Parks, Calvin Mellies, Bret Hayworth, and Jared Rapp are all present.

Malm motions to approve agenda, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Parks motions to approve the utility trial balance, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries.

Guests present: James Loomis, Pat Smith, Anna Brever, Gerry Frick, Chad Thompson, Gerri Hunter, Trissa Bottorff, Tori Wardrip, Becky Bates, Joe Mehlhaff, Bryce Jensen, Angie Sleezer, Justine Sleezer, Amanda Goodenow, Ashayla Soodsma, Tyler Brinkerhoff, Houston Sheer, Russel Richardson, Jeff Petersen, Annette Harmes, Jodie Hannah, Dave Christensen, Julius Hopp, Luke Lambert, and Mike Ofert.

James Loomis, Woodbury County Attorney introduces himself at open forum and asks if anyone has any concerns or questions and added he is running for re-election.

Trissa Bottorff speaks at open forum asking about Movillatte’s property from road to the street about the City paving this west drive onto 4th street and if it includes an apron and how soon it will be paved?

Bryce Jensen thanks the council for driving around checking out the town, thanks Officer Hopp for answering the PD cell phone and voiced concern on the Chief of Police not answering the PD cell phone.

Luke Lambert asks the council and Public Works department on how to slow down speeding traffic at Memorial Park and has a functional idea for installing rubber speed bumps which are removable in the winter for plows.

Mayor Fisher reads an anonymous letter of frustration about cars parked in the middle of their street making it difficult to pass or to park and frustration of contacting the PD.

The council tabled the Senior Center’s request of possible \$2000-\$5000 contribution to help with food program. It will be added to the next agenda when the Senior Center representative may be present. Hayworth motions to approve \$1200 towards Moville Days to put towards essentials such as port-a-potties under Resolution 2026-18, seconded by Malm. Ayes, Motion carries. Mayor addresses the council on thoughts of kids safety on electric scooters, electric bikes, golf carts and mopeds. The Chief of Police is asked to enforce the State of Iowa laws on this subject by the City Council under Iowa state laws 321.235A; 321.235B.

Chief Frick gives a Police Department update: No contact order, juvenile runaways, vehicle repair, gas drive off, traffic stops, Officer Hopp qualifies on firearms training, warning on dog barking. Chief attended a Hazmat class.

Amanda Goodenow of ISG engineering gave an update and water systems improvement project, easements are progressing and discussed the Capital Improvement plan. Hayworth approved using CHN Garbage Service this year for Spring Clean-up-dumpsters by City Hall on April 13-17th. CHN will provide two 35-yard roll off dumpsters, dumped each day while CHN will provide all the hauling fees and the city to pay all landfill fees, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries.

Food Truck Ordinance was tabled until next agenda. Rap motions to approve Resolution 2026-19 to maintain \$270 in the petty cash at City Hall, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries.

City Clerk Peterson gave an update on the 4-year audit currently conducted by a state auditor, also City Hall will be closed April 8-9th for Clerk’s Conference and again April 15-17th for Spring 2026 IMFOA Conference.

Mayor and Council concerns were discussed. The Council welcomes Moville residents to the council meetings. Next council meeting is set for March 25th at Property Tax Levy public hearing, at 6:00pm then the City Council meeting to follow at 6:30pm. Mayor thanks the staff at City Hall, Public Works, Police Department, Building Inspector, and the City Council for all their work. Mayor Fisher and Chief Frick formally introduce and welcomes our new Moville Police Officer, Julius Hopp. Officer Hopp plans on attending the ILEA academy this year. With no further business, Mellies motions to adjourn at 8:03pm, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Michaela Peterson
City Clerk

Jim Fisher
Mayor