

Moville City Council

June 7, 2017

Mayor James Fisher called the meeting to order at around 6:00pm. Roll Call: Nate Bauer, Tom Conolly, and Kirk Lubbers are present. Jake Thomas arrived at around 6:05 pm. Bruce Schmidt arrived around 6:15 pm. Lubbers motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Bauer. Ayes, motion carries. Bauer motioned to approve minutes from the meeting on May 17, 2017, seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries.

The council reviewed the fence permit from Karen Gold at 105 S. 4th Street. Attorney Metcalf explained that according to our zoning code, the shortest side of the lot (Jones Street for this property) is considered the front of the lot and fences are allowed in the side yard (South 4th Street in this case). Bauer motioned to approve the fence permit, Conolly seconded. Ayes, motion carries. The council reviewed the fence permit for Robert Ludwig at 605 N 5th Street. He is replacing the existing chain link fence with a 6 foot tall wooden fence and has the neighbor's permission to be on the shared lot line. Conolly motioned to approve the permit, seconded by Thomas. Ayes, motion carries. Denett Benson submitted a fence permit for her property at 255 Terrtam Street. Mayor Fisher worked with her to locate property lines and ensure the proposed fence fell within them. Conolly motioned to approve this fence permit, Bauer seconded. Ayes, motion carries. The council reviewed the fence permit from Misty Dean t 245 Terrtam. Conolly motioned to approve this fence permit, seconded by Bauer. Ayes, motion carries.

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

Chief Jerry Sailer presented a Fire Report for May. He also wants our help to ensure that renters of the Fire Station meeting room do not leave things in the fridge after renting the room.

The council reviewed the Iowa Fire Service's annual Fee Structure for Hazardous Materials Response and discussed charging for certain Fire / Emergency calls when caused by construction negligence or other factors. There have been several recent calls generated by the preparation and installation for new fiber lines that have required our Fire Department's response. Lubbers motioned to approve the billing for these services as outlined in the Iowa Fire Service's document, seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries.

Nick Jensen and H &H builders were not able to make it to the meeting to give their presentation, so we will move that item to the next meeting's agenda.

The council reviewed the annual Iowa Retail Permit Applications for Cigarettes and Tobacco from Dose Inc./4-Way Stop, Dollar General Store, and Casey's General Store. Bauer motioned to approve all three cigarette permit applications, Conolly seconded. Ayes, motion carries.

The council reviewed the liquor license renewal for the Moville Community Center. Conolly motioned to approve this liquor license renewal, Thomas seconded. Ayes, motion carries.

There were no updates regarding the property at 102 S. 4th Street. MCDAL is working with a realtor to put the portion of this property that includes the house for sale and will update us as they have information.

The council reviewed the Bond Counsel Engagement Agreement from Ahlers and Cooney regarding our lift station project. Lubbers motioned to approve Ahlers and Cooney as our Bond Counsel on the lift station project. Conolly seconded. Ayes, motion carries.

Clerk Peterson recommended hiring of Bailey Even and Keely Ruring as lifeguards at \$9.00 per hour. Conolly motioned to approve the hiring, Thomas seconded. Ayes, motion carries.

At around 6:26 pm, Thomas motioned to open the public hearing for the second budget amendment of 2017, seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries. There were no objections presented and City Hall had not received any up to this point, so at around 6:27 pm Thomas motioned to close the public hearing. This motion was seconded by Conolly. Ayes, motion carries.

Conolly motioned to approve the 2nd FY 2016/2017 budget amendment, seconded by Lubbers. Ayes, motion carries.

The council discussed the purchase of a John Deere UTV for use by Public Works Department for \$3500. Conolly motioned to approve the purchase, seconded by Bauer. Roll call vote: Conolly – yes, Schmidt – no, Thomas – no, Bauer – yes, Lubbers – abstain. Motion does not carry.

Clerk Peterson asked Attorney Metcalf for an update on the nuisance letter sent last fall to the property owner of 18 S. 2nd Street. Metcalf will work with contractor Casey Jackson for progress on the repair of this sidewalk nuisance issue.

Conolly expressed his concern about kids bicycling very close to the highway in front of the property at 16 S. 1st Street. There is no sidewalk in front of this property and it is a popular bicycle route for kids on their way to the pool. The council has heard from Brian Nixon who owns this property that there are plans to concrete the lot this summer. A discussion followed on how best to remedy this issue.

Clerk Peterson let the council know that Inspector Dave Christiansen reviewed the structural engineer's report and removed the red tag on the property at 132 Main Street. She gave an update on the upcoming Merville Days 2017 festivities and also discussed the Downtown Exchange program that we recently got approved for. Peterson also let the council know that we took down the skate park this week because of it being damaged beyond repair by the elements.

With no further business Bauer motioned to adjourn at around 6:50pm and Conolly seconded. All ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Jodi Peterson

James Fisher

City Clerk

Mayor