

Moville City Council – Wednesday, August 20, 2025.

Roll Call: Paul Malm, via zoom, Bret Hayworth, Jared Rapp, Calvin Mellies all present. John Parks is absent. Malm motions to approve agenda, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting with added wording of Movillatte' s curb cutting bids being tabled due to lack of attendance from Movillatte who didn't show up for the Council meeting with bids for curb cutting in front of their business as agreed, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the August bills, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve July bills, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Rapp motions to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve General Obligations report, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries. Guests present: Pat Smith, Dave Christensen, Chad Thompson, Donnie Christensen, Joe Mehlhaff, Missi Lenz, Stacey Reblitz, Anna Brever, Trissa Bates, Tori Wardrip, Jadin Collins, Spenser Wardrip, Becky Bates, and Geri Hunter.

Open Forum speakers:

Jadin Collins speaks at open forum regarding 230 1st Street invoice he received for the City maintaining the yard. He had questions concerning a walnut tree that was cut down and a private sewer line.

Stacey Reblitz speaks asking about the three letters Collins received all in one envelope and follow up on Collins sewer line.

Hayworth motions to approve A&F Construction LLC bid of \$4752.00 to grind and replace curb and sidewalk in front of Movillatte 41x5 on the terms that A&F provide a more detailed bid to include exact activity, materials, more research is done to ensure they are bonded and insured, previous work, plus a completion date, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries. Add to next agenda for final approval September 3, 2025.

119 Ash Street was discussed and Council agrees the property owner will be responsible for the yard maintenance bill from the City.

Rapp and Mellies both state that each property owner is responsible for maintaining their own property without having to be reminded.

Building Inspector Dave Christensen gave an update for the month of July. They issued 33 nuisances, 4 abatements, 5 letters sent, 5 official notices, 4 citations (pending), 8 no action taken or on hold, 7 yard maintenance. Amount billed in July was \$10,507.10.

Council discuss sending yard maintenance invoice direct to landlord and tenant both. Attorney Thompson to draw up the paperwork.

Pat Smith gives ISG Engineering update on Water Improvement Project: Discuss archeological review for SRF loan, Met with the City on July 14th to discuss the future projects for the next 5 years.

Supervisor of Public Works Pat Smith gives an update of public works department in July/August:

- Pumped 7.6 million gallons of water and 3.1 million gallons of wastewater
- Met with ISG Engineering on plans of Capital Improvement Project Plans
- Worked on 19 shut offs due to unpaid utility bills.
- Replaced several water meters
- Mowed lagoon, parks and also nuisance properties in town, trimming and pulling weeds
- Purchased 20" cement saw
- Poured two street patches
- Put up Welcome Flags and street signs during Fair Week
- Shut down Pool
- Working on Southside façade at Main Street Pavilion
- Sprayed ballfields and lagoons
- Begun work on Soccer field restrooms/water fountain

Hayworth motions to set Public hearing October 1, 2025 at 6:30pm to review an application for SRF Loan, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion approved.

Rapp motions to approve easement with New Coop, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries.

Council discussed reviewing the 6 resumes received for Chief of Police position and set up interviews if applicable in the next couple of days.

Malm approves WiaTel' s proposal of purchasing and installing up to 12 new First Alert Cameras for placement at around town at local parks, City Hall, tree dump, and Community Center, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries.

Hayworth motions to approve purchasing TextMyGov (smart texting) Premium Contract for the City for faster and wider communication/notifications out to our residents and widget placed on our City web page, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries.

Rapp approves Resolution 2025-20 renewing UBI CD for 5 months at 4.15% APY, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries.

Mellies motions to approve City Hall no longer taking credit cards for water payments over the phone due to fraud/liability, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes motion carries.

Council discussed not moving forward with the MRHD Grant as we do not have any projects to put towards it?

Mayor and Council concerns were discussed. The Council welcomes Merville residents to the council meetings.

Next council meeting is set for Wednesday, September 3rd, at 6:30pm.

With no further business Rapp motions to adjourn at 7:56pm, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Michaela Peterson
City Clerk

Scott Linden
Mayor