

Moville City Council      Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Mayor Jim Fisher calls the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Roll Call: Tom Conolly, Bret Hayworth, and John Parks are present. Paul Malm and Joel Robinson are absent. Conolly motions to approve the agenda, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Parks motioned to approve minutes from the last meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> and special meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Utility Billing trial balance was not presented for review – will add to next meeting’s agenda. Council reviews the permit application for a new fence from Jeff Locke of 240 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. As currently proposed, a short section of this fence will cross into the neighboring property in order to connect with the neighbor’s fence. Due to this fact, the current permit is denied at this point and we will request the neighbor fill out the permit for these small sections of fence, or Locke submit a new permit to include fence entirely on his own property. During Open Forum, Michael Benson had questions about a fence permit that he submitted on behalf of another resident. This permit was still in the drop box so council will get the resident an update after they have a chance to review. Also during Open Forum, County Attorney James Loomis encouraged the council, Mayor, Clerk and Police Department to reach out to him personally or his office with anything they may need. He encouraged cooperation and communication between the two offices and offered his continued support to help us with our “problem children”. Council thanked him for visiting and offering support to Moville. Guests include Officer Andrew Anderson, James Loomis, Michael and Avery Benson.

No Fire Department update was given. No formal Police Department update but Officer Andrew Anderson let the council know that in his opinion, things were running very smoothly with Chief Joseph Barnes in command and he commended Barnes for his efforts. Council considers the Liquor License Permit Application from Dose, Inc. DBA 4-Way Stop Shop. Conolly motions to approve this application, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Council considers options for the upcoming discussion with the Woodbury County Board of Supervisor’s regarding upcoming improvements to Frontage Road. A committee of council members and interested parties tentatively plan to attend an upcoming meeting in May or June to present our goals and plans and gather interest in a cooperative strategy.

Council comments and concerns were discussed.

With no further business Hayworth motioned to adjourn at around 6:30 pm and Parks seconds. All ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Jodi Peterson  
City Clerk

Jim Fisher  
Mayor