Moville City Council – Monday, July 7, 2025.

Roll Call: Paul Malm, via zoom, John Parks, Bret Hayworth, Calvin Mellies all present. Jared Rapp is absent. Hayworth motions to approve agenda, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Hayworth motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the bills, seconded by Parks. Ayes, motion carries. Parks motions to approve the Utility Billing report, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries. Parks motions to approve general ledger changes, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries.

Guests present: Gerri Hunter, Joe Mehlhaff, Jerry Sailer, Steffani Kotz & Family, Tori Wardrip, Trissa Bates, Rebecca Bates, Payton Petersen, Mike Ofert, Angel Rocha, and Angie Sleezer.

Open Forum speakers: Joe Mehlhaff asking for an update on cats at large and enforcing our Ordinance.

Officer Steffani Kotz stated she would like to be considered as Interim Chief of Police but was notified the position was offered to officer Alavez due to Kotz' part time status. Kotz offered to become full-time status as Interim Chief and begin to create a 24/7 police department for the future of the PD.

Mellies motions to approve the City will pay ½ up to \$4000 whilst Movillatte pays for the rest of this project of cutting and grinding down and removal of the new curb and sidewalk on Frontage Road, located on the south side of Movillatte, before replacing it with a drop down curb and sidewalk for the length of the Movillatte building itself at approximately 40-50 feet. Movillatte and/or their contractor are expected to measure this distance correctly not to exceed the length of their building. Also, agreed the City will make the final decision on who will complete the work. The City agrees to pave and keep the exit onto 4th Street as well, Seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries.

Chief Sailer gave an Update on the Fire Department for the month of June. The Fire Department had 5 incidents. The fire department did training and discussed article on zero impact time and ways to reduce time when putting their face masks on. Sailer announced the pancake breakfast during Moville Days was a success! Truck checks were good, no issues.

The Council discussed as of July 1st Officer Alavez was appointed Interim Chief of Police as Chief Joe Barnes has resigned. No wage change was offered. No motion was made at this time.

Hayworth motions to approve update the requirements for the hiring of a new Police Chief to include; must live within 10 miles of city limits, probation of 6 months or longer if making the intent to move closer to town. Job posting of 4 weeks and interviews conducted by Police Committee, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries.

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

The next council meeting is set for Wednesday, July 23rd, at 6:30pm.

With no further business Parks motions to adjourn at 7:34pm, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Anna Brever Scott Linden
Deputy City Clerk Mayor