

Moville City Council –Wednesday, December 18, 2024

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 Rapp. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries. Mellies motions to approve the bills, seconded by Hayworth. Ayes, motion carries. Rapp motions to approve the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Rapp motions to approve Michael Weaver’s resignation and retirement from the City as of January 2, 2025, seconded by Mellies. Ayes, motion carries. Mayor Linden thanks Mike for all his hard-work and dedication of the past 27 years of service to the City of Moville. Hayworth motions to approve the Siouxland Humane Society Animal Contract, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries. Guests present include Mike Weaver, Pat Smith, Chad Thompson, Dave Christensen, Cynthia Alavez. No one spoke during open forum.

Superintendent Pat Smith gave an ISG Engineer update on the Water project planning and design. They are doing the certified testing on the soil. They will meet and discuss tank size and come up with a proposal for a possible new capital improvement plan. ISG will meet again, with the city on January 10th, 2025.

Smith gave a brief update on Frontage Road improvement and let the council know they finished the end driveway and will complete the project this spring.

Smith gave a brief update on Public Works for the months of November and December. We pumped 5.2 million gallons of water and 3.2 million gallons of wastewater. Had signs made for the Rural Route Ramble directing traffic to businesses on Frontage Road, serviced the skid loader, pay loader and street sweeper. Checking on quotes for new filter and heater for the pool and also looking at relocating the piping. They also fixed the Christmas Lights on Frontage Road. Smith conducted interviews with council members Rapp and Mellies for PW Maintenance personnel and announces their recommendation for employment. Mellies makes a motion to hire Micayla Nyreen to begin working for the City of Moville on January 6th, 2025, seconded by Malm. Ayes, motion carries.

Building Inspector Dave Christensen gave a brief update. Total billed for services in November was \$7,776.22 He had 40 nuisances, 11 abated, 2 letters sent, 1 official notice 1 citation and no permits were issued. Christensen went over 4 properties that have been sent letters and official notices and the council consensus is to move forward with legal action. Christensen asked for the hiring of an additional inspector if we want to continue to grow our 28E areas. The council consensus is not at this time and that adding more towns would be too much and to look at adding closer towns versus farther away.

Hayworth makes a motion to approve Resolution 2024-44 to assess to the property the unpaid utility charges in the amount of \$129.58 to LOT14BLK7, Woodbury County, Moville, Iowa, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries.

Linden presented the possible reversal of the council’s decision of issuing a possible small refund in the future for the water rate ordinance of 2024 to residents due to water billing dates. Attorney Thompson advises the council not to reverse their decision concerning the Ordinance. The Council’s consensus is not to reverse the decision regarding the water rate ordinance of 2024 and all agreed with our city’s legal advice and move forward with original decision.

City Clerk Peterson reviewed date changes in 2025 for meetings to discuss the next fiscal year Budget.

Mayor and Council concerns were discussed. With no further business Mellies motions to adjourn at 9:05pm, seconded by Rapp. Ayes, motion carries-meeting closed.

Michaela Peterson
City Clerk

Scott Linden
Mayor