

October 2, 2023

The Moulton City Council met on Monday, October 2, 2023 with the meeting being called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Ogden. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call - present were Thompson, Daniels, Fitzgerald, Boyd and Pangburn. Motion by Pangburn seconded by Boyd to approve the agenda, all ayes none opposed.

### **Reports**

**Sheriff's Report** – Calls for September 2023 were –1 traffic, 1 ambulance request, 1 animal complaint, 1 assault, 1 contempt of court, 1 domestic disturbance, 2 extra patrol requests, 1 fireworks complaint, 1 parking complaint, 1 runaway, 1 sex offender registry, 1 traffic stop, 1 vehicle lockout. 34.3 hours patrolled.

**Library** – Library Liaison, Nancy Flaspohler was present. They are still in the process of hiring a new director. Six new patrons have come in this month. The STEAM program has increased from 6 students to 21 students.

**Ambulance Report** – There were 7 calls for September. 1 Mutual Aid for CFR, 1 Mutual Aid with Law Enforcement, Moulton Ambulance transported 1, CFR transported 2, and had 2 patient refusals.

**Fire Dept Report** – Training burn is set up for October 14<sup>th</sup> at 205 East 7th.

**City Supt Report** – Supt Wood reported 2 water leaks were fixed. Engine brake ordinance signs are in. LL Pelling came to inspect some of the roads that were seal coated this summer.

**Park** – Research installing more RV hookups.

**Cemetery/Emergency Management** – nothing to report.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Daniels to approve the Consent Agenda (minutes of the previous meeting, bills, treasurer's report). All ayes, none opposed.

**Public Comments** – Calls concerning someone responding to a fire/ambulance was driving too fast.

**Marcus Jenkins- Trailer Damage** – Owner shared a picture of a damaged livestock trailer. Owner stated he has a verbal estimate for repair cost. Owner was asked if he was contacted to move the trailer out of the alley, he said his spouse had talked with city superintendent but they should have been written a letter. City Supt attempted to contact owner at home the day the city moved the trailer, but no one was home. Owner became argumentative and left the council meeting. Council discussed if the city is liable for damage. Council decided to look into this further with our insurance company.

**Jerry Meredith – Discuss Letter on Parking in Alley and Junk** – Property owner is upset that he received a letter stating his yard needed the junk cleaned up. Owner stated he was not the only property owner in town that needed to clean up and that everyone else should get a letter as well. Owner was informed he was not the only person to receive a letter. Owner stated that he paid for two scoops rock to put in the alley and park his camper there. Since he is not able to park there he wants reimbursed for that rock to put in his driveway. Motion by Thompson seconded by Pangburn to reimburse Jerry Meredith with two scoops of rock. All ayes, none opposed.

### **Updates**

**City Owned properties** – Will check with city attorney to do a lien search on 4 properties in town.

**Welch's Trailer** – Dustan with Environmental Edge will look at property to decide how to proceed with demolition.

Motion Daniels seconded by Pangburn to approve Amended Ordinance #364, Provisions to Cigarette & Tobacco Permits.  
Roll Call – Thompson – Aye, Daniels – Aye, Fitzgerald – Aye, Boyd – Aye, Pangburn – Aye

Motion by Pangburn seconded by Thomas to waive the second and third readings of Amended Ordinance #364.  
Roll Call - Thompson – Aye, Daniels – Aye, Fitzgerald – Aye, Boyd – Aye, Pangburn – Aye

Motion by Pangburn seconded by Fitzgerald to approve Amended Ordinance #365, Provisions to Fiscal Management.  
Roll Call – Pangburn – Aye, Boyd – Aye, Fitzgerald – Aye, Daniels – Aye, Thompson – Aye

Motion by Daniels seconded by Thompson to waive the second and third readings of Amended Ordinance #365  
Roll Call - Pangburn – Aye, Boyd – Aye, Fitzgerald – Aye, Daniels – Aye, Thompson – Aye

Motion by Pangburn seconded by Boyd to waive past due golf fees for a resident because the golf cart is on their property. All ayes none opposed.

Motion by Pangburn seconded by Thompson to set Beggars night for October 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to 7:00pm . All ayes none opposed.

Clerk will check with the League of Cities about burying structures within the city limits.

Motion by Daniels seconded Pangburn to approve Resolution #923, Transfer \$10,000.00 from Franchise Fee Account to Garbage fund to help with operating expenses. All ayes none opposed.

Quarterly review of the utilities and other Departments

Reviewed vacation/sick time of City employees.

Council received the Disaster Recovery, Shared Account, Password, & Security Computer Policy. Will review at future council meeting.

City Supt reviewed the Public Awareness training with council and mayor.

**Complaints** – Jerry Meredith stated that his neighbors have multiple dogs that are running loose and getting into his garbage. City will send a letter to owner of the dogs.

**Mayor Concerns** – Speed study on Main St is done. Company will email results when finished. UPS will only be delivering to Moulton on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays. Received an email about first responders speeding to emergency calls. We will check with City Attorney and have Ambulance/Fire review at their meetings. City website test page is up and running, would like council to review. It will go live this week.

**Council Concerns** – Would like to know how new hire process is going. There is a city workshop on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> to go over the applications to send to personnel committee and contact interviewees to set up times for interviews.

**Public Comments** – Some residents are concerned that two 30gallon bags for garbage collection is not enough for families. Council will look into reviewing that at the next contract renewal. Individuals have been bringing in scrap metal and junk from one yard to the yard across the street. The City has sent letters and ordinances to the homeowners to have them remove the junk.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Fitzgerald to adjourn all ayes none opposed. Adjourned at 7:58 PM.

## **EXPENDITURES**

Alliant – st lights/utills - \$3,528.22  
ANR – gas transport – 1,057.19  
Cox Law Firm – legal fees – 33.00  
Moulton Gas & Wash – fuel – 570.35  
Rick Gooden – extra help– 80.00  
Hall Eng. – gas nom – 800.00  
Hill's Sant – GB – 3,476.00  
Simmering & Cory – Codification – 1,413.00  
IA Workforce Dev – unemp – 30.29  
IDEAL Ready Mix – concrete – 335.50  
IA Media Net – publ – 369.66  
IPERS – 1,975.78  
L&W Quarries – rock – 3,398.94  
Legends Farm & Lawn – repairs – 187.25  
Lockridge Lumber – supl – 1,190.26  
Menards – supl – 445.68  
City of Moulton – utills – 526.30  
IRS – taxes – 2,849.79  
Success Bank – check copies – 2.14  
Municipal Supl – supls – 2,339.00  
Myers Customs – sign – 90.00  
Postmaster – postage – 163.62  
RRWA – wa purch – 3,620.10

Symmetry – gas purch-1,874.88  
Transamerica – ins – 499.32  
Treas St of IA – state tax – 1,110.63  
Treas St of IA – sales tax – 895.51  
True Value – supl – 270.60  
US Bank – solar stop signs – 3,264.07  
USDA – loan payment – 476.00  
Wellmark BC/BS – ins – 4,446.87  
K Wood – cell ph – 20.00  
October Wages – 11,621.52  
**TOTAL EXPENSE** – \$52,961.47

**INCOME**

General/Other	\$ 9,245.06
Library	\$ 191.56
Newcomer	\$ 736.55
Water Dept	\$ 15,215.07
Sewer Dept	\$ 13,286.44
Garbage	\$ 4,403.66
Gas Dept	\$ 6,207.14
LOST	\$ 8,212.52
Fire Dept	\$ 1,018.97
Ambl/Resp	\$ 0
Street Dept	\$ <u>9,904.00</u>

**TOTAL INCOME** - \$ 68,420.97

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deputy City Clerk