

October 7, 2024

The Moulton City Council met on Monday, October 7, 2024, with the meeting being called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Ogden. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call - present were Jewel Thompson, John Replogle, and Terry Pangburn. Mary Boyd and Tyler Thompson were absent. Motion by Replogle seconded by Pangburn to approve the agenda, all ayes none opposed.

City Supt Report – Superintendent, Wood reported that the American Legion donated a flagpole for the new post office and would like to know if the city would be interested in donating a flag for it. Council would like to get more information from the Legion. New water meters readers will be bought that can be read by radio control for meters that are not readily available for reading. The speed signs on Main Street have been reprogrammed.

Sheriff's Report – September 2024- 6 ambulance requests; 2 animal complaints; 2 assaults; 1 domestic assault; 1 citizen; 1 civil matter; 1 criminal mischief; 2 disturbance; 1 dogs barking/at large; 2 environmental hazards; 2 extra patrol requests; 3 harassment; 1 information; 1 juvenile problem; 1 lost property; 1 motorist assist; 1 parking violation; 1 phone harassment; 1 traffic hazard; 1 traffic stop; 1 trespassing; 1 vehicle lockout; 3 welfare check. 38 total calls and 49.7 hours patrolled.

Library – Director, Swarts reported that the library will host a pumpkin decorating contest for all ages. They have started the infant and toddler story time on Thursdays and the after-school STEAM on Wednesdays. The library will be receiving 100 books from the Brownstone Book Fund. The library will purchasing new tables for the meeting room.

Fire Dept Report – Mayor Ogden reported that Assistant Fire Chief N. Fletcher has resigned from the department. Captain M. Wood will move into the Assistant Fire Chief position and on October 16th they will fill the Fire Captain position. It is fire prevention week at the school. There are currently two delinquent fire contracts from townships that have not been signed.

Ambulance Service Report – Ambulance Director, Clausen reported that there were 8 calls for October. CFR transported 3 calls and there were 5 patient refusals. 2 new tires have been replaced on rig 501 due to damage of the old tires.

Cemetery – Received a \$1,000.00 donation from a family trust for maintenance at the cemetery.

Park /Emergency Management – None

Motion by Replogle seconded by Pangburn to approve the Consent Agenda – minutes of previous meeting; bills; treasurers. All ayes none opposed.

Public Comments – John Clausen discussed the expiration of the EMS surtax in the County. He provided information on the new surtax that will need to be voted in by county residents. If the surtax does not pass the CFR will only take calls inside of Centerville city limits and the Moulton Ambulance would not have the funding to continue. This would leave the City of Moulton and surrounding area without an ambulance service.

Motion by Pangburn seconded by J Thompson to approve the sending of a letter to the property owner of 206 W Second to mow and clean up the property within ten days. All ayes none opposed.

Ed Guinn would like to pay for the survey of the property and costs to purchase the City owned property by the brush dump. The City will contact the City Attorney in what it all would require to be able to do that.

Motion by Replogle seconded by Pangburn to approve the Engineering Agreement with Gardner & Assoc. for the future water project. All ayes none opposed.

Motion by Replogle seconded by J Thompson to approve the first reading of Ordinance #368, Amending Provisions Pertaining to Pedestrians' Right of Way. Roll Call; J Thompson- yes, Replogle – yes, Pangburn – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Pangburn seconded by Replogle to approve the first reading of Ordinance #369, Amending Provisions Pertaining to Electronic Meetings. Roll Call; J Thompson- yes, Replogle – yes, Pangburn – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by J Thompson seconded by Replogle to approve the first reading of Ordinance #370, Amending Provisions Pertaining to Publication of Minutes. Roll Call; J Thompson- yes, Replogle – yes, Pangburn – yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Replogle seconded by J Thompson to table the first reading of Ordinance #371, Recreational Vehicles due to major editing that needs to be done. All ayes none opposed.

Motion by Replogle seconded by J Thompson to set Beggar's Night for Thursday October 31, 2024, for 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. All ayes none opposed.

Motion by J Thompson seconded by Pangburn to have a Fall City Wide Clean-Up from October 21st to October 25th. All ayes none opposed.

Reviewed how the new accounting software is working. Would like to review other software companies to see if there was a solution to the issues with current software.

Reviewed employee vacation/sick leave.

Complaints – A resident complained that his neighbor is burning trash. We have sent a letter under the direction of the sheriff's office, and it was not responded to well. Will continue to monitor with the Sheriff's office.

Mayor Concerns – none

Council Concerns - none

Public Comments – none

Motion by J Thompson seconded by Replogle to adjourn. All ayes none opposed. Adjourned at 8.00 PM.

EXPENDITURES

Cox Law Firm – legal - \$729.06

Dearborn – INS – 427.50

C'ville Iron & Metal – repair – 34.99

C Howard –st repairs – 3,700.00

RRWA – WA purch – 3,270.30

Hill's Sant – GB – 3,112.90

Hall Engineering – Gas nominating – 400.00

RASW – landfill – 223.20

Alliant – st lights/utills –\$ 3,369.18

IA Workforce – unemploy – 42.10

US Bank – fuel/misc – 4.343.93

IRS – tax - \$1,981.30

Success Bank – fee – 2.14

IA Treas – tax – 274.00

Groebner – supl – 864.37

US Postmaster – postage – 264.88

City of Moulton – utills– 537.35

Bloomfield Comm – lib. renewal – 69.00

Readers Digest – lib. renewal – 16.05
 Well mark – INS – 5,325.60
 Transamerica – gap INS – 565.64
 USDA – truck payment – 476.00
 Symmetry - gas purchase – 2,402.50
 ANR – gas transport – 2,013.09
 Municipal Supply – supl – 2,208.20
 S.J. Smith – rental – 48.00
 Farmers Mutual – Ph/internet – 274.76
 US Cellular – fire – 53.97
 Lockridge – supls – 414.69
 LL Pelling – st repair – 71,964.00
 Simmering & Cory –ord. update – 693.00
 K Wood – cell ph – 20.00
 M Bogle – cell ph – 20.00
 Control Equip Sales – gas – 5,881.43
 Atomic Pest – pest control – 75.00
 T&L Market/Deli – quarters – 2.00
 IA Media Network – publ – 184.86
 Fusebox – website renewal – 1,409.00
 True Value – supl – 995.45
TOTAL EXPENSE - \$118,689.44

September Wages - \$19,150.19

FUND EXPENSE

General/Other \$ 4,737.64
 Library \$ 565.67
 Road Use \$ 14,810.57
 T&A \$ 1,593.22
 LOST \$ 60,000.00
 Ambl \$ 841.35
 Fire \$ 770.83
 Debt Service \$ 476.00
 Water Project \$ 0
 Water Dept \$ 12,802.36
 Sewer Dept \$ 3,540.56
 Gas Dept \$ 14,911.01
 Garbage \$ 3,640.23
TOTAL EXPENSE - \$118,689.44

Mayor

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk