

The Moran City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 7, 2022. Acting Mayor Bill Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Acting Mayor

William C. Bigelow

Council Members Present

Kenneth D. Kale

Corliss E. Lynes

James A. Mueller

Kris R. Smith

Members Absent

Jerry D. Wallis

City Staff Present: Bret Heim, City Attorney; Michael Stodgell, City Superintendent; Shane Smith, Police Chief; Craig Miller, Fire Chief, and Lori Evans, City Clerk

Visitors Present: Lee Roberts and Jonathon Goering of Thrive Allen County.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Smith moved to approve the March 2022 consent agenda as follows:

- February 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
- February 2022 Petty Cash Report
- March 2022 Pay Ordinance totaling \$71,003.90
- February 2022 Utility Audit Trail Report
- February 2022 Certificate of Deposit Report
- February 2022 Utility Billing and Use Report

Lynes seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

OLD BUSINESS

Solar Power – Topic tabled until the April meeting.

Water Project Update – Jonathon Goering presented Acting Mayor Bill Bigelow with the promotional check that was awarded to Moran following the 2022 Community Development Block Grant announcement in February. The Council asked Mr. Goering about a possible timeline for the project. He mentioned construction might begin this fall.

Council member Smith moved the City sign the Grant Agreement between Moran and the Kansas Department of Commerce. Lynes seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Council member Smith moved to adopt Ordinance 2028 - *AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MORAN, KANSAS AND THE STATE OF KANSAS, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A LOAN FROM THE KANSAS PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY LOAN FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING A PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY PROJECT; ESTABLISHING A DEDICATED*

Approval Date:
April 4, 2022

SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR REPAYMENT OF SUCH LOAN; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOAN AGREEMENT. Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

54 Fitness Building – The Council reviewed an email from Kevin Cole regarding the building housing the 54 Fitness Facility. The Council agreed Clerk Evans should invite Mr. Cole to attend a Council meeting to discuss real estate details.

Library Internet – Clerk Evans was asked to follow up with the Librarian regarding internet service. No action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

City Park – The Council discussed plans for improvements at the ball fields. The Council noted the ball association has received a donation of a new scoreboard for the east ball field. Superintendent Stodgell reported the high school ball season begins March 28th. Stodgell noted he will begin research on replacing the foul ball nets.

54 Fitness Membership Fees – Clerk Evans relayed a request from member asking the City to offer a \$5.00 day pass for non-members. Discussion was held with no action taken.

OTHER

Police Chief – Chief Smith noted he has received notice of a recall with the airbags on the Tahoe and plans to contact Ranz Motors for the repairs. Smith reminded the Council that he will be attending training at Lyons County the first week of April. Smith spoke with the Council about a few properties with code violations. Smith said he plans to talk with 8 property owners and ask they work on cleaning up their properties. Smith said he will cite the property owners through the Court system if substantial progress is not made on the properties.

City Superintendent – Superintendent Stodgell reported the following activities for the month of February:

- Worked on the back shop air compressor, motor doesn't want to start
- Replaced electric meter at USD #256 Office
- Checked trees hanging over primary electric lines
- Replaced 100 watt HPS bulb by Chancy's
- 523 N Birch new electric service information
- Took bottom hydro cylinder off #2 95 GMC and took to John Deere to put seal kit in
- Ag Choice-Knob put on building and tied triplex back up
- J.D. 5083 E, Changed oil filter
- Adjusted blade on 5083 tractor
- Snow removal
- Prepared tractors for snow removal
- Locates for Craw-Kan
- Moved snow up town and opened drive ways
- Checked on South 59 Water District water meter and West 54

City Clerk – Clerk Evans reported income for the month of February 2022 as follows:

General Fund		Water Fund	
Charges For Services	3.90	Sales To Customers	12,644.91
Refuse	1,671.00	Water Protection Fee	29.18
Court Fines	1,423.00	ReConnect Fee	150.00
Reimbursed Expense	5.00	Bulk Water Sales	30.83
License & Permit	65.00	Penalties	169.99
NSF Check	130.00	Water Tower Fee	50.00
KS Sales Tax	6,720.93	Connect Fee	100.00
54 Fitness Fee/Fobs/Ovpd	1,610.00	Reimbursed Expense	48.90
Interest Earned Checking/CDL	59.34	Sewer Fund	
Dog Tag/Kennel Fee	64.00	Sales To Customers	6,397.20
Franchise Fee	100.00	Sales Tax	
Fire Dept Contribution	5,000.00	Sales Tax Receipts	1,367.49
Electric Fund			
Sales To Customers	49,290.93	Gross Sales	92,565.00
Overpaid	337.07	<i>Add: Interest to CD 44526614</i>	<i>11.03</i>
Fuel Adjustment	1,782.24	Gross Receipts	92,576.03
Light Rent	194.25	<i>Less: LIEAP Credit</i>	<i>1,342.06</i>
Lieap Receipts	2,713.79	<i>Utility Credits</i>	<i>622.45</i>
Connect/Reconnect Fee	171.99	<i>Recreation Fee Credit</i>	<i>130.00</i>
Reimbursed Expense	234.06	Net Receipts	90,481.52

Clerk Evans asked the Council to approve purchasing two licenses for Microsoft Office 2022. Costs for the software would be about \$440.00. Council member Mueller moved to approve the purchase as requested. Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

There being no further business to discuss, Council member Mueller moved, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:58 PM. Motion passed with unanimous approval.