

The Moran City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 4, 2019. Mayor Phillip Merkel called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

<u>Mayor</u>	<u>Elected Officials Present:</u>	<u>Council Members Absent</u>
Phillip L. Merkel	<u>Council Members Present</u> Bill C. Bigelow Chad A. Lawson Corliss E. Lynes Kris R. Smith Jerry D. Wallis	

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

Visitors Present: Lee Roberts, Rayna Kidd, Richard Luken with the Iola Register, and representing the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA) Neal Daney and Paul Mahlberg.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Wallis moved to approve the March 2019 consent agenda as follows:

- February 2019 Minutes
- February 2019 Petty Cash Reimbursement Report
- March 2019 Pay Ordinance totaling \$77,443.14
- February 2019 Jayhawk Utility Audit Trail Report
- February 2019 Certificate of Deposit Report

Council member Lynes seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

VISITORS

All visitors were present for agenda items or had no business to bring before the Council.

OLD BUSINESS

Energy Purchase from Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA) – Mr. Daney and Mr. Mahlberg spoke with the Council about their services. They noted Moran would be placed in the EMP 3 Project should the City decide to enter into a contract for wholesale electric purchase with KMEA. Mr. Mahlberg noted there are two neighboring cities that are considering joining the EMP 3 Project. Potential savings to the City should vary from \$140,000 to \$150,000 a year. Discussion followed with Council member Bigelow moving the City sign a seven year EMP Operating Agreement for energy purchase from KMEA. Lynes seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving. Council member Smith moved the City sign the First Amendment to the EMP 3 Agreement. Lawson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Security Camera Request for Moran Public Library – Rayna Kidd spoke with the Council on behalf of the Library Board. Ms. Kidd said the board is still researching camera pricing and will return to speak to the Council at a later meeting.

Moran Museum – Attorney Heim advised he was preparing an exhibitor agreement for the museum. Additionally, Loren Korte will be asked to research insurance needs for the museum. Topic was tabled until the April meeting.

Cereal Malt Beverage Ordinance – Council member Smith moved the City adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 2025 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE OF CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE AND BEER CONTAINING NOT MORE THAN 6% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME WITHIN THE CITY OF MORAN, KANSAS.** Wallis seconded the motion, motion passed with unanimous approval.

Kansas Department of Transportation Letter RE: Highway Project – Topic was tabled until the April meeting.

Utility Truck Replacement Bids – No bids were received. Topic was tabled until the April meeting.

Electronic Meter Reading Equipment – Superintendent Stodgell discussed metering options and advised he was waiting on additional bids for meters and software. Topic was tabled until the April meeting.

Logo Contest – The Council reviewed designed received and asked the contest be advertised in the City newsletter. Topic was tabled until the April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Library Board Appointments – Clerk Evans advised the Library Board has not chosen a candidate for appointment to the Board. The Board will have candidates to submit to the Mayor before April meeting.

Fair Housing Month Proclamation – Council member Wallis moved Mayor Merkel sign a proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month. Lynes seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Annual City Wide Clean Up – Council member Wallis moved to sponsor a City Wide clean up week. Lawson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving. A roll off dumpster will be set at the park May 17-28 with curbside pickup up on May 22nd.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Fire Chief – Nothing to report.

Police Chief – Chief Smith reminded the Council the City Dog Tag Clinic will be held on March 23rd 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Smith also noted he will schedule a time for Jay Hatfield to service the transmission and replace the filter on the Tahoe.

Smith said he has plans to address property conditions around town after the first of April. He also noted the Seat Belts are For Everyone (SAFE) Campaign at Marmaton Valley High School is going well.

Superintendent – Superintendent Stodgell submitted the following activity report for the month of February:

- 543 N Spruce Changed out Electric Meter
- Replaced termination kit on primary underground at the school
- Re-stocked bucket trucks
- Picked up limbs, cleaned trash out of storm shelters
- Picked up loose rock by shop and cleaned off dock at the back shop
- Tractors and backhoe ready for snow
- Cut down tall grass and trimmed the tree at City Hall and hauled it away
- V.L.P. came to reset computer on backhoe
- Put supplies back in water room and cleaned up
- Replaced meter lids at 323 Locust & 403 Cedar
- Changed out flag's at 54 Fitness Center
- Put ice melt on sidewalks
- Looked at tree limbs that need cut out of electric primary lines
- Moved sleet away from intersections, City Hall, Library, sidewalks and 54 Fitness
- Removed snow from streets etc.
- Put open sign back up at 54 Fitness Center due to broken pole
- Put spreader on dump truck and worked on lights
- Cut rebar and moved parking blocks in place at 54 Fitness Center
- Work on Low Lift #2

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

General Fund		Water Fund	
Charges For Services	17.35	Sales To Customers	10,533.08
Refuse	1,754.00	Water Protection Fee	26.75
Court Fines	1,469.00	Connect Fee	225.00
Reimbursed Expense	15.00	Bulk Water Sales	54.79
NSF Check	341.13	Penalties	501.67
KS Sales Tax	5,245.92	Water Tower Fee	50.00
54 Fitness Fee/Fobs/Ovpd	1,160.00	Debt Collection Fee	24.21
Interest Earned Checking/CD's	132.83	Sewer Fund	
Dog Tag	62.00	Sales To Customers	6,730.96
Franchise	100.00	Debt Collection Fee	35.75
Electric Fund		Sales Tax	
Sales To Customers	47,055.68	Sales Tax Receipts	1,263.90
Connect Fee	73.71	Gross Sales	78,926.59
Overpaid	589.22	<i>Add: Interest to CD 44526614</i>	<i>11.00</i>
Fuel Adjustment	1,152.46	Gross Receipts	78,937.59
Debt Collection Fee	144.18	<i>Less:</i>	
Light Rent	168.00	<i>Utility Credits</i>	<i>1,306.40</i>
		<i>Setoff Fees</i>	<i>110.20</i>
		<i>Recreation Fee Credit</i>	<i>150.00</i>
		Net Receipts	77,370.99

Approval Date:
March 4, 2019

Superintendent Stodgell informed the Council he would like approval to purchase two tankers of oil for this year's Chip and Seal project. He also discussed purchasing cold patch to repair damage done to the streets over this past winter. Stodgell was advised to check on pricing for the oil for discussion at the April meeting.

Stodgell presented a map showing areas of the City that he feels need tree trimming done this spring. Stodgell asked the Council to consider contracting with Pempkes Tree Service, as the trees needing trimmed are quite tall. Cayle Allen, of Pempke Tree Service quoted \$10,300 to complete the trimming project as shown on the map. Council member Lynes moved to approve the request with Bigelow seconding the motion. Motion passed with all approving.

Clerk Evans reported the City's audit was done on February 26, 2019 and a representative from Jarred, Gilmore, and Phillips would present the audit report at the April or May meeting depending on their schedule.

There being no further business to discuss, Council member Smith moved, seconded by Bigelow, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:04 PM. Motion passed with unanimous approval.