

The Moran City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 6, 2025. Mayor Jerry Wallis called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor

Jerry D. Wallis

Council Members Present

Warren L. Johnson

Lee Roberts

Nancy Houk

James A. Mueller

Kris R. Smith

Council Members Absent

City Staff Present: Bret Heim, City Attorney; Joe Stotler, City Superintendent, Taeler Carr, City Clerk, Shane Smith, Chief of Police

Visitors Present: Camille Lavon with Thrive, Michael Gile

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Johnson moved to approve the September 2025 consent agenda as follows:

- September 2025 Minutes
- September 2025 Petty Cash Report
- October 2025 Pay Ordinance totaling \$ 254,991.86
- September 2025 Certificate of Deposit Report

Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

VISITORS

Mr. Gile brought some of his concerns to the council about a neighboring property. After discussion with the council, they reached the decision for the clerk's office to reach out to the current homeowner and ask what their timeline is.

Mr. Gile left the meeting at 7:07pm.

Ms. Lavon with Thrive Allen County approached the council asking what they feel their needs are for the City. With the recent closing of the Marmaton Market the council has expressed a definite need for a Grocery type facility in Moran.

After another discussion about the status of the Marmaton Market, council member Smith made the motion to disconnect the remaining utilities at the Market as of Friday, October 10, 2025, council member Roberts seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Substation Update-** J. Stotler let the council know he has spoken with KMEA and they will be pouring a 56x70 pad within the next two months and they have purchased the transformers.

B. Mower Quote Update- There was no discussion, topic will be reviewed in 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Year End Salary Review- First read, no discussion.

B. 2026 Council Calendar – First read, no discussion.

C. Bucket Truck Inspection Report- J. Stotler gave the council a brief report on how the 2025 inspection went and explained what small repairs would need to be made.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Chief – There was a brief discussion had about the new patrol vehicle. Chief Smith noted it isn't likely to be ready until 2026.

Superintendent – Superintendent Stotler asked the council's permission to purchase utility poles costing \$28,667.00, council member Mueller motioned to approve the request, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approval.

Stotler let the council know that the water meter for the South 59 Water District as well as a master meter that feeds 4 accounts. After a discussion council member Smith motioned to replace the meter for South 59 Water District and continue to monitor the meter North of town, council member Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

City Clerk – Clerk Carr reported income for the month of September as follows:

Cash Receipts For the Month Ending September 30, 2025			
General Fund		Water Fund	
Charges For Services	0.75	Sales To Customers	17,372.57
Refuse	1,983.75	Water Protection Fee	37.80
Court Fines	180.00	Connect Fee	350.00
KS Sales Tax	8,670.16	Bulk Water Sales	87.73
54 Fitness Fee/Fobs/Ovpd	920.00	Penalties	1,314.36
Interest Earned Checking/CDL	1,012.92	Reimb Exp	491.00
Building Permit	10.00	Water Tower Fee	50.00
Reimbursed Expense	2,101.02	Meter reading fee	15.00
Franchise	-	Sewer Fund	
RuralFireDonation/pheonixdoantion	11,000.00	Sales To Customers	7,184.00
Electric Fund		Sales Tax	
Sales To Customers	55,020.28	Sales Tax Receipts	1,352.38
Connect Fee	274.14	Gross Sales	111,943.52
Overpaid	394.36	Add: Interest to CD 44526614	
Light Rent	262.50	Gross Receipts	111,943.52
Lieap Receipts	-	Less: LIEAP Credit	825.16
Reimbursed Expense	-	Utility Credits	868.71
Tax Disbursement-Emp Benefit	1,285.39	Recreation Fee Credit	120.00
Tax Disbursement-Library	573.41	Net Receipts	110,129.65

Clerk Carr let the council know that The Concern for Community Grant by Heartland Rural Cooperative grant written by Taeler Carr and Bailey Stewart on behalf of Moran Youth Recreation was awarded \$5,000.00 to be put towards a 9-hole disc golf course at the park. If there is any remainder funding after the course is installed it will be put towards 2 sets of permanent corn hole boards. Carr will keep the council updated as the project progresses.

Clerk Carr asked the council if they would be willing to pay for Flu Shots again this year for Chief Smith and Assistant City Clerk Stewart. Council member Mueller motioned to approve paying for flu shots, council member Houk seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

There being no further business to discuss, Council Member Smith moved, seconded by Council Member Houk, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:56 PM. Motion passed with unanimous approval.