

The Moran City Council met at a regular meeting on Monday, June 3, 2024. 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

James A. Mueller

L. Lee Roberts

Kris R. Smith

Council Members Absent

Kenneth D. Kale

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

Visitors Present: Taeler Carr, Jerad Maley, Dereck Ranes and son.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Roberts moved to approve the June 2024 consent agenda as follows:

- May 2024 Regular and Special Meeting Minutes
- May 2024 Petty Cash Report
- June 2024 Pay Ordinance totaling \$77,157.25
- May 2024 Utility Audit Trail Report
- May 2024 Certificate of Deposit Report
- May 2024 Utility Billing and Use Report

Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

VISITORS

Taeler Carr asked the Council to consider allowing them to receive water service from the City of Moran rather than purchasing water from Rural Water District #12 as they currently do. Discussion followed with Council member Smith moving to accept the Carr's as a customer as long as Rural Water District #12 is willing to release them as a customer. Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Dereck Ranes asked the Council to consider joining Kansas Municipal Utilities (KMU) as the City must be a member for him to continue his lineman training. Annual membership fees for the City will be \$1,295.00. Council member Johnson moved Moran join KMU, Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Project Update – The Council discussed the project status. Council member Smith moved to approve paying Goins Pay Request #8 totaling \$6,741.16 and SEKRPC invoice totaling \$4,500.00. Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Library Property Coverage – Clerk Evans reported Loren Korte had checked with Employers Mutual Casualty (EMC) and they offered to reduce the value of the Library

from \$473,802.00 to \$458,074.00 and drop coverage from replacement value to actual cash value. The City would receive a \$73.00 credit should the Council choose to change coverage. Council member Mueller moved to make no change to the Library coverage. Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

54 Fitness Equipment – Clerk Evans informed the Council that Larry Ross has agreed a power tower would be a good addition for the fitness center. Evans noted an acceptable tower would cost between \$300-\$500. Council member Mueller moved to approve the purchase. Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

54 Fitness Fob Access – Clerk Evans asked the Council for additional time to review equipment and reviews of the software. Topic was tabled to the July meeting.

City Streets Chip and Seal – Superintendent Stodgell said the County Public Works Department plans to repair all of the County roads before they consider helping other cities with road repairs. Discussion followed with no action taken.

Axon Camera Upgrade – Chief Smith asked the Council for additional time to get updated pricing for the camera. Topic was tabled until the July meeting.

2025 Budget – The Council discussed budget topics such as Frisbee golf course, transfers to fund the purchase of a new patrol car, and the need to replace the City dump truck. Evans will relay these items to Jared, Gilmore, & Phillips staff. Budget will be discussed and set at the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2024-02 – Council member Smith moved to adopt Resolution 2024-02 granting a waiver from Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for the year ending December 31, 2024. Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Resolution 2024-03 – Council member Smith moved to adopt the Kansas Homeland Security Region H Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

QuickBooks Subscription Renewal – Clerk Evans noted the City’s QuickBooks software subscription expires on July 8, 2024. Renewal pricing will be \$849.00 for two subscriptions and \$474.00 for the payroll add on for a total price of \$1,323.00. Council member Mueller moved to renew the QuickBooks license. Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Noise Complaint – The Council reviewed a noise complaint the City recently received from a resident. The topic was discussion but no action was taken.

Moran Days – Topic was tabled until the July meeting.

Clerk Evans informed the Council that a long-term customer living at a rental property is purchasing a home at 415 N Park St in Moran. Council member Smith moved to waive the connect fees for the new homeowners. Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Chief – Chief Smith reported he asked for a quote for a body camera in addition to the Axon car camera as all of the camera systems need replaced. Smith noted he will need to replace one of his live traps as it is damaged.

Superintendent – Superintendent Stodgell submitted the following activity report for the month of May 2024:

- New electric meter at 504 N Locust
- Took the bucket truck to Elementary FFA AG Day at MVHS
- Replaced light bulbs at 54 Fitness
- Replaced light bulbs and new toilet flush valve at the Library
- Cleaned and sorted electric meters
- Cut out tree from secondary and primary lines at 416 S Cedar
- Ball Fields – Parks- picked up, trash, limbs and emptied trash cans
- Mowed
- Replaced backstop net at ball field #1
- Mow- City Hall- Troxel Park- 54/59- Water Tower- Old Water Plant
- Filled in hole on Oak between Cedar and Spruce
- Sharpened mower deck
- Cleaned backhoe
- Cleaned street gutters, picked up brush from curbs with sweeper
- Mowed properties with height violations
- Sprayed for mosquitos
- Dug turtles out of the outlet box pipe
- Lead Copper Surveys
- Set new water meter at 112 S. Pine

Superintendent Stodgell asked the Council for approval to purchase the following electric poles for stock: 30' x4, 35' x10, 40' x6, 45' x2

Pena treated	½ load would be \$14,938.00 and a full load is \$22,414.00
Creosote treated	½ load would be \$19,801.00 and a full load is \$27,782.00

Council member Mueller moved to purchase a full load of creosote treated poles. Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

City Clerk – Clerk Evans presented a letter of resignation/retirement to the Council. Evans noted her final day at work would be July 31st. Council member Smith moved to accept Evans resignation/retirement. Roberts seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving. The Council agreed to advertise for a vacancy at the clerk's office with the employment opportunity advertised in the lola Register, City website, and Facebook. The Council will review applications at the July meeting.

Clerk Evans reported income for the month of May 2024 as follows:

General Fund		Water Fund	
Charges For Services	7.75	Sales To Customers	17,286.58
Refuse	2,065.50	Water Protection Fee	34.28
Court Fines	190.00	Reimbursed Expense	417.63
Building Permit	14.00	Re-ConFee	75.00
KS Sales Tax	10,794.20	Penalties	520.10
54 Fitness Fee/Fobs/Ovpd	1,080.00	Water Tower Fee	50.00
Interest Earned Checking/CDL	434.26	Bulk Water Sales	27.85
Grant-KS Fire Marshal	3,860.90	Connect Fee	100.00
Dog Tag	58.00	Sewer Fund	
ATV Permit	30.00	Sales To Customers	7,454.46
Reimbursed Expense	421.32	Debt Collection Fee	1.94
Electric Fund		Sales Tax	
Sales To Customers	38,575.18	Sales Tax Receipts	1,152.82
Connect Fee	98.28	Gross Sales	94,933.42
Overpaid	807.23	<i>Add: Interest to CD 44526614</i>	10.66
Light Rent	252.00	<i>CDBG Grant Funds</i>	35995.42
Reimbursed Expense	408.92	<i>Water Project Acct Interest</i>	3.82
Lieap Benefit	201.50	Gross Receipts	130,943.32
FEMA Grant	8,513.72	<i>Less: LIEAP Credit</i>	756.50
		<i>Utility Credits</i>	610.21
		<i>EWAP Credits</i>	64.56
		<i>Setoff Credit</i>	1.94
		<i>Recreation Fee Credit</i>	150.00
		Net Receipts	129,360.11

There being no further business to discuss, Council member Smith moved, seconded by Johnson, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:30 PM. Motion passed with unanimous approval.