

The Moran City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 3, 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: No visitors were present

WATER PROJECT HEARING

Mayor Wallis read aloud the excerpt that was provided by SEKRPC and asked for any questions, there were no audience questions. There was a brief discussion with Superintendent Stotler. There seem to be no further items that need to be taken care of by the contractor and final payment has been made. Mayor Wallis signed the final paperwork and it will be sent to Kyleigh at SEKRPC first thing Tuesday morning.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- October 2025 Minutes
- October 2025 Petty Cash Report
- November 2025 Pay Ordinance totaling \$ 160,005.94
- October 2025 Certificate of Deposit Report

Johnson seconded the motion; motion passed with all approving.

VISITORS

No visitors were present

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Substation Update-** J. Stotler let the council know he has spoken with KMEA and we are waiting for a final design with start date in February for concrete.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. KDOT Letter-** The City received a letter from KDOT outlining highway permitting and signage. After a brief discussion with Attorney Heim and Superintendent Stotler the council agreed to have Mr. Heim draft a response letter to KDOT.

- B. 90 Day Evaluation-** Council member Houk motion to have a 15-minute executive session regarding elected personnel inviting Superintendent Stotler at 7:25pm, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

The council returned to regular session at 7:40pm.

Council member Mueller motioned to return to executive session for an additional 10-minutes without Superintendent Stotler, council member Roberts seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving at 7:41pm.

The council returned to regular session at 7:51pm.

Council member Smith motioned to extend the executive session for an additional 5-minutes and invited Superintendent Stotler to return as well, council member Mueller seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

The council returned to regular session at 7:57pm.

Council member Houk motioned to give Superintendent Stotler a \$1.00 per hour raise and \$0.50 per hour raise to City Crew member R. Lickteig, council member Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

- C. Property Review –** Clerk Carr spoke with the current owner of 508 N. Birch and he plans to be in town in the spring doing renovations.

- D. Emergency Response Plan-** Clerk Carr asked the council to approve the updated Emergency Response Plan. This is an annual update that is required, council member Mueller motioned to accept the updates as presented, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Chief – Chief Smith asked the council if they would have any issues if we were donated a bale of hay if he could have it placed at the City Burn Pile for the winter months to help out residents who are unable to get warm bedding for their outdoor pets. Council member Houk motioned to approve the request, council member Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Superintendent – Stotler asked the council to purchase 3 transformers totaling \$4,276.000, council member Mueller motioned to approve the request, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Stotler let the council know that the water meter at the low flow side of the water meter at The Moran Manor was not reading anymore. Stotler told the council that the water meter and riser needed replaced, council member Mueller motioned to replace the water meter and riser, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Stotler also brought up his concerns about Lift Station #2 to the council, LS #2 was put in service in 1984 and it is having a lot of issues technically and manually. He spoke with a company about replacing it, the total cost including installation is \$90,000.00

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

Cash Receipts			
For the Month Ending			
October 31, 2025			
General Fund		Water Fund	
Charges For Services	-	Sales To Customers	16,174.50
Refuse	2,112.00	Water Protection Fee	31.60
Court Fines	1,566.00	REConnect Fee	150.00
KS Sales Tax	12,528.57	Bulk Water Sales	201.89
54 Fitness Fee/Fobs/Ovpd	1,160.00	Penalties	707.24
Interest Earned Checking/CDL	965.90	Water Tower Fee	50.00
Building Permit	30.00	Connect Fees	100.00
Reimbursed Expense	750.00	Reimbursed Expense	180.67
Miscellaneous Receipts	3,000.00	Water Meter Fee	15.00
NSF Check	2,254.15	Sewer Fund	
Special Highway Receipts	3,307.64	Sales To Customers	7,276.86
Tax Disbursement-Library	198.24	Sales Tax	
Tax Disbursement-Emp Benefit	451.86	Sales Tax Receipts	1,372.37
Electric Fund		Gross Sales	107,874.45
Sales To Customers	52,721.49	<i>Add: Interest to CD 44526614</i>	363.39
Connect Fee	98.28	Gross Receipts	108,237.84
Overpaid	197.19	<i>Less: LIEAP Credit</i>	123.53
Light Rent	273.00	<i>Utility Credits</i>	912.14
Lieap Receipts	-	<i>Recreation Fee Credit</i>	130.00
Reimbursed Expense	-	Net Receipts	107,072.17

Clerk Carr asked the council if they would be willing to donate to the Adopt-a-Child program again this year. She noted that last year the office was able to purchase gifts for three kids with donations made from the City, Clerk Carr, Clerk Stewart and Chief Smith. Council member Houk motioned to donate \$100.00 again, council member Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

Clerk Carr asked the council for permission to purchase new desks, specifically 2-1 sit/stand desks for her and Clerk Stewart. Clerk Carr noted that the office would purchase 1 desk and get it set up and make sure it was useable and what the office wanted before purchasing the second. After discussion council member Johnson motion to approve the purchase, council member Smith seconded the motion, motion passed with all approving.

There being no further business to discuss, Council Member Smith moved, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:44 PM. Motion passed with unanimous approval.