

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

July 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on July 8, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 South Madison Street, Morrison, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Mayor Scott Vandermyde. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes. Meeting was offered to the public via Zoom and video recording to be available at <https://www.youtube.com/@CityofMorrisonIL>

ROLL CALL

Alderspersons present on roll call were Kevin Bruckner, Greg Kruse, Sidonna Mahaffey, Todd Schlegel, Matt Tichler, Vernon Tervelt, Josh West, and Harvey Zuidema. Absent: None. Other city officials present were Police Chief Kevin Soenksen and Treasurer Margaret Jones.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Cited.

PRESENTATIONS

At 6:38 pm, a public hearing was presented on the city's DNR OSLAD Grant Application - Sports Complex Playground Project by Dan Pepin (Community Funding & Planning Services). As last year's application was denied due to lack of information and public involvement, a second application will be submitted by the September 13 deadline. A second public hearing is scheduled for August 26. The Public Hearing ended at 6:51 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tracy Henson discussed with Council her and neighbors' concerns regarding 507 North Genesee Street's conversion from an apartment building to a "motel". She was asked to submit these concerns in writing to Mayor Vandermyde and/or City Administrator Brian Melton.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR COMMITTEES

Chief Soenksen updated Council on Officer Simmon's latest training.

Recreational Services Director Jacobs reviewed Parks and Recreation's activities.

CA Melton reminded the Aldermen of the staff cookout on July 10th at noon. CA Melton also discussed replacing the air conditioning units (2) on the roof of City Hall.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald Tichler moved to remove Council Meeting Minutes for June 24, 2024 from the Consent Agenda.

Ald Bruckner moved to approve Bills Payable - \$180,982.22; Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes for June 26, 2024; Historical Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes for July 2, 2024; and Street Closure – Morrison Rotary Club, Harvest Hammer, September 21, 2024. Seconded by Ald Schlegel. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Ald Bruckner moved to approve Consent Agenda Council Meeting Minutes for June 24, 2024 with the removal of Ald Tichler “Ayes” and left as “Absent”; seconded by Ald Schlegel. Approved by voice vote. No objection. Motion passed.

Ald Bruckner moved to approve FY 2024 Audit Report; seconded by Ald West. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Zuidema moved to approve FY 2024 Single Audit Report (IEPA & ARPA Funds); seconded by Ald Tichler. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Alley Maintenance Quote – Waive Formal Bidding Process Pursuant to Purchasing Policy & Illinois Municipal Code 65 ILCS 5/8-9; seconded by Ald Bruckner. After discussion, motion approved by voice vote. No objection. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Alley Maintenance Quote – Porter Brothers, up to 16,062 square yards or \$98,620.68 (\$6.14/square yard); seconded by Ald Bruckner. After discussion, ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, and West. Nays: Zuidema. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Zuidema moved to approve Easement for Water Utility Line, Gerald & Linda Schlegel, 506 Elm Street (Maple & Elm Street Watermain Loop Project); seconded by Ald Tichler. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Abstain: Schlegel. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & INFORMATION

CA Melton reminded Council the Strategic Plan Workshop is scheduled for Monday, August 19, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

CA Melton discussed USG Water Solutions for water tower maintenance. Chad Johnson from USG Water Solutions will be at the next Council meeting to present a maintenance plan and agreement for the water tower.

CA Melton discussed an Electric Vehicle Charging Station for public use. Following discussion, the City Council wished to pursue this project considering some rebates may now be available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Did not enter Executive Session due to a lack of a motion.

Ald Mahaffey moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding – FOP – Wages, Retirement Health Insurance Benefit & One-Year Extension of Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented; seconded by Ald Bruckner. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, and West. Nays: Zuidema. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ald Zuidema moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ald Tichler. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:36 pm without objection.

Approved:

Scott Vandermyde
Mayor

Michael Hemmer
City Clerk