

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

November 24, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on November 24, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 South Madison Street, Morrison, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Vandermyde at 6:30 p.m. City Clerk Mike 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 Jr, Seth Buckwalter, Sara Dunne, Sidonna Mahaffey, Todd Schlegel, Vernon Tervelt, and Matt Tichler. Absent: none. Vacancy: Ward 1. Other city officials present were City Administrator Brian Melton, Police Chief Michael Moon, Recreation Services Director Nathan Jacobs and City Treasurer Margaret Jones.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Cited.

COMMENT BY MAYOR VANDERMYDE

The mayor asked council and speakers to use their microphones as some voices were not being caught by the recorder. Tonight's presentation by IDOT will not include its own public comment. It is to inform alderpersons of IDOT's approach, plans and timing. The city will establish with IDOT a central repository for community comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

PRESENTATION

IDOT Project Manager Brad Cushman and its contractors discussed the US Rt 30 Reconstruction Project and provided a written presentation in the council packet. Presently they are working on engineering and environment impact studies. Once completed, they will need support and recommendations from the city and residents.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR COMMITTEES

Police Chief Moon provided a written report in the council packet.

Superintendent of Streets & Parks Mike Garland provided a written report in the council packet.

Superintendent of Utilities Shane Osborn provided a written report in the council packet.

Recreation Services Director Jacobs provided an update on upcoming events and recent event turnouts.

Treasurer Jones had no report.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald Tichler moved to approve City Council, Meeting Minutes, November 10, 2025; Bills Payable - \$140,528.69; Treasurer's Report – October 2025 (FY06, CY10); Meeting Schedule 2026; and Holiday Schedule 2026; seconded by Ald Mahaffey. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Mayor Vandermyde said the number in Section Two of Ordinance 25-12 has typo (\$733,142.33) and the correct number is in body of the summary table (\$733,302.09). Council's vote is to approve ordinance as printed. Ald Tichler moved to approve Ordinance 25-12 Tax Levy; seconded by Ald Schlegel. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed. An amendment was added to correct the typo to \$733,302.09. Ald Schlegel moved to approve the amended version of Ordinance 25-12 Tax Levy; seconded by Ald Tichler. Mayor Vandermyde said the ordinance was presented to council twice and was published. CA Melton reported the tax rate decreased by 3.7%. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Tichler moved to approve Odell Library Board of Trustees Request for Memorial Benches; seconded by Ald Mahaffey. All ayes by voice vote. Vacancy: Ward 1. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Change Order No. 1, Exterior Painting Project, Balayti Painting; seconded by Ald Tichler. CA Melton said he repeatedly requested documentation and justification by the vendor. Melton recommended that council not approve the request due to continued unsatisfactory performance and lack of justification. Council discussed. Ayes: None. Nays: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, and Tichler. Absent: None. Motion failed.

Motion to approve Final Pay Request, Exterior Painting Project, Balayti Painting failed due to lack of motion.

Council discussed BS&A Software Solutions for Financial Management, Human Resources, Utility Management and Community Development proposal. CA Melton said the current programs need to be replaced and updated. Current software vendor is not sufficient, not responsive, and without updates for more than 16 years.

Mayor Vandermyde and CA Melton included an overview in the packet regarding the closure of 200 Block North Genesee Street. Both discussed with council the options available within the scope of IDOT's plans for Route 30. Council discussed and decided to wait for IDOT

recommendations. Council will revisit this discussion in the future but will not include in council packets until that time. No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ald Buckwalter moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Appointment, employment and compensation of specific employees and /2(c)(2) Collective negotiating; seconded by Ald Schlegel. All ayes by voice vote. Vacancy: Ward 1. Motion passed. Executive Session began at 7:33 pm.

Ald Tichler moved to exit Executive Session; seconded by Ald Schlegel. All ayes by voice vote. Vacancy: Ward 1. Motion passed. Executive Session ended at 7:49 pm.

ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

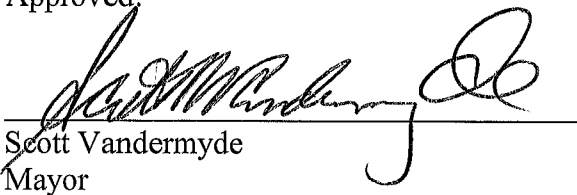
Ald Mahaffey moved to approve Holiday Bonus for full and part-time employees; seconded by Ald Buckwalter. Ayes: Buckwalter, Dunne, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, and Tichler. Present: Bruckner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Bruckner moved to approve a change to the remaining holiday schedule for 2025 for non-police holiday day changes to working holiday eves December 24th/30th and off on December 26th/January 2nd; seconded by Ald Buckwalter. All ayes by voice vote. Vacancy: Ward 1. Motion passed.

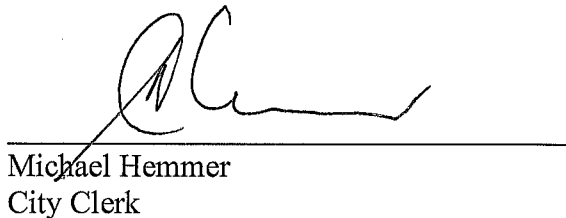
ADJOURNMENT

Ald Tervelt moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ald Buckwalter. Without objection, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:52 pm.

Approved:



Scott Vandermyde
Mayor



Michael Hemmer
City Clerk