

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

September 11, 2023

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on September 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 South Madison Street, Morrison, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Vandermyde. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes.

Alderspersons present on roll call were Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Absent: None. Other city officials present were Police Chief Valladares, and City Administrator Melton.

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO RECORD

Charlene Bielema, Shaw Media.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Thicksten, a resident at that corner, addressed Council regarding his opposition to removing the stop light and closing or restricting on Genesee Street to vehicular traffic. Rev Mike Selburg, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, addressed Council regarding his support of repair work being done on Genesee St.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR COMMITTEES

Chief Valladares informed the Council that Officer Terry Spencer and Emmitt Sheppard have resigned from the Morrison Police Department.

Administrator Melton introduced to council Callie Bush Hamstra as the new Director of the Morrison Chamber of Commerce.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald Kruse moved to approve Council Meeting Minutes for August 28, 2023 with minor corrections, Bills Payable, Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes – September 5, 2023, Street Closure Request – Chamber of Commerce, Fall Fest, October 28, 2023, Parade Permit – Chamber of Commerce, Halloween Parade, October 28, 2023, and Parade Permit – Morrison High School, Homecoming Parade, September 29, 2023; seconded by Ald Tichler. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Ald Zuidema moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding – Northwest Illinois Capital Improvement Program – Blackhawk Hills Regional Council Grant Program; seconded by Ald Schlegel. All Ayes by voice vote. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald West moved to approve Audio Video Connection (Audio/Video System) - \$17,351.69; seconded by Ald Tichler. Council confirmed that the system could move if ever the meeting location changed in the future. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: Bruckner. Absent: None. Motion passed.

CA Melton requested that the Tractor Mower Replacement – WWTP item be removed from discussion.

Ald Zuidema moved to approve Proposal for Prof. Services, Willett Hofmann – Maple Ave & Elm Street Water Main Loop; seconded by Ald Schlegel. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Bruckner moved to approve Proposal for Prof. Services, Fehr Graham – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project; seconded by Ald Tichler. CA Melton confirmed that an amount was in this fiscal year's budget; remaining cost will be budgeted within the Sewer Fund next fiscal year. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to Award Bid for Hydrant/Catch Basin Project submitted by the Porter Brothers for \$222,678.10; seconded by Ald Tichler. Council members and CA Melton discussed why this wasn't being done in-house and variation of bids. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Pay Request No. 1 REVISED (Rt. 78 Watermain Project) to Fischer Excavating, Inc. - \$52,443.09; seconded by Ald Tichler. CA Melton explained the revision was due to the unit costs not being updated in the project cost worksheet. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Ald Zuidema moved to approve Pay Request No. 2 (Rt. 78 Watermain Project) to Fischer Excavating, Inc. - \$345,504.78; seconded by Ald Mahaffey. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION & INFORMATION

Study Session: Genesee Street & Lincolnway Intersection. Mayor Vandermyde reviewed options, costs, and evaluation about the intersection. Each Alderperson, Police Chief and City Administrator presented their thoughts and solutions for the intersection.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act / Exceptions, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) "To discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body ...", Ald Zuidema made a motion to enter Executive Session; seconded by Ald Schlegel. All Ayes. Absent: None. Motion passed and Executive Session began at approximately 8:45 pm. The session was audio recorded.

Ald Zuidema moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by Ald Mahaffey. All Ayes by voice vote. Absent: None. Motion passed and Regular Session resumed at 8:20 p.m.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ald Mahaffey moved to approve Ordinance 23-10 Approving Contract and Authorizing Purchase of Real Estate; seconded by Ald Zuidema. Ayes: Mahaffey, Kruse, Schlegel, Zuidema, West, Tervelt, Bruckner and Tichler. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

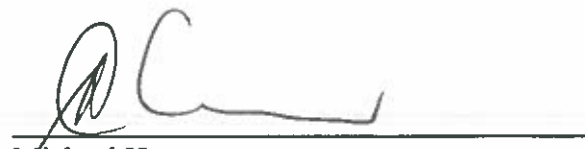
ADJOURNMENT

Ald West moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ald Mahaffey. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:21 pm without objection.

Approved:



Scott Vandermyde
Mayor



Michael Hemmer
City Clerk