

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

January 27, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on January 27, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 South Madison Street, Morrison, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by City Administrator Brian Melton. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes remotely. 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, Vernon Tervelt, Matt Tichler, Josh West, and Harvey Zuidema. Absent: Mayor Scott Vandermyde. Other city officials present was Police Chief Kevin Soenksen.

Ald Kruse moved to appoint Ald Kevin Bruckner as Mayor Pro-Tempore; seconded by Ald Mahaffey. Approved by voice vote: all ayes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Cited.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Liz Buckwalter, Executive Director, Morrison Area Development Corporation (MADC) provided an update to Council: changes in MADC's Executive Board and review of various programs available for economic growth.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR COMMITTEES

2024; A Year in Review – City Administrator Brian Melton presented his annual report in brief summary. Council was asked to provide any feedback or questions directly to CA Melton.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald Schlegel moved to approve City Council, Meeting Minutes, January 13, 2025; Bills Payable - \$167,442.93; and Financial Report – December 2024 (CY12, FY 8); seconded by Ald Tichler. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative – Health Insurance Plan, United Healthcare Choice Plus, \$250/500 Deductible Plan for FY2026; seconded by Ald Zuidema. CA Melton reviewed the policy details with Council. Ayes: Bruckner, Kruse, Mahaffey, Schlegel, Tervelt, Tichler, West, and Zuidema. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & INFORMATION

Council discussed draft Ordinance 25-02 Implementing a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax, also known as the "Grocery Tax" with the pending cancellation of the States' 1% sales (grocery) tax. A decision must be made and filed with the Illinois Department of Revenue by October 1, 2025. Council discussed and consensus was to place on the agenda for action.

CA Melton summarized the project, forthcoming agreement and cost of the CentralSquare Public Safety Suite Pro – Records Management & Computer Aided Dispatching System, 5-year Licensing Plan with an annual payment to the Whiteside County Sheriff of \$5,134.60. The agreement is being drafted and will be presented to the Council in the near future before the licensing is paid.

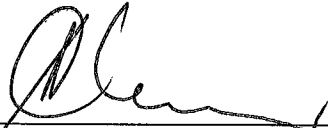
ADJOURNMENT

Ald Kruse moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ald Zuidema. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:07 pm with no objection.

Approved:



Kevin Bruckner Jr.
Mayor Pro Tempore



Michael Hemmer
City Clerk