City of Morrison

2025; A YEAR IN REVIEW

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City Administrator



INTRODUCTION

Mayor Vandermyde, City Council & Citizens of Morrison;

I would like to offer this annual report, 2025; A Year in Review. This information briefly summarizes some highlights and accomplishments for the calendar year 2025. I hope you find the annual report worthwhile and if you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

It is an honor for me to serve as City Administrator and I look forward to serving you and our community in 2026!

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian R. Melton

PERSONNEL

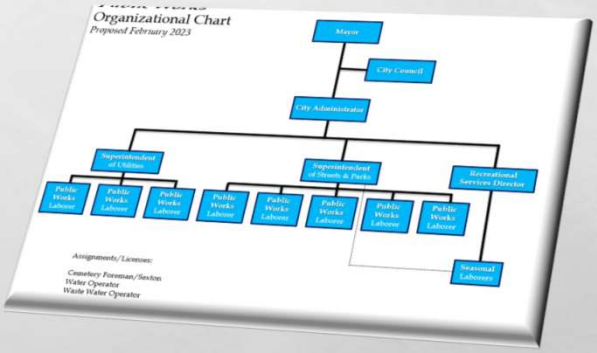
Department	Full-Time	Part-Time*
City Administration	3	2
Police Department	8	2
Parks & Recreation	1	8
Public Works		
Street Department	4	2
Grove Hill Cemetery	2	2
Water Department	2	0
Waste Water Department	2	0
Total	**22**	**16**

*Number of part-time employees vary throughout each year due to seasonal needs.

PERSONNEL

Welcome to the new and congratulations to the promoted!

- **Chief of Police Michael Moon**
  - Promoted from Officer – May 2025
- **Welcome Police Officers**
  - Will Lukehart, Skylar Abell, Matt Munson & Kolten Sage
- **2 Police Sergeant Promotions**
  - Curt Workman & Cory Drowns
- **Welcome Code Enforcement Officer**
  - Dave Snow



PROJECTS

- Wall – Larch – Heaton Watermain Replacement (ARPA Funding)
- US RT 30 Road Surface Patching (IDOT)
- South Genesee Street Improvements
- Sewer Lining Project
- Alley Maintenance



FACILITIES

Sports Complex

- ✓ Jumping pillow (Morrison On The Move project)
- ✓ Additional fencing

Grove Hill Cemetery

- ✓ New maintenance/office building started

Veterans Memorial Park

- ✓ Pressure washed & miscellaneous repairs

Water Wellhouses 4 & 5

- ✓ Replaced pumps and sensors
- ✓ Inspections

Public Works Building Renovation

- ✓ Renovated bathroom, break room and office area
- ✓ Painted exterior of all buildings
- ✓ Installed water conditioning system







CAPITAL EQUIPMENT

New Vehicles & Equipment

- ✓ Cemetery Truck
- ✓ Police Vehicle
- ✓ Code Enforcement Truck
- ✓ Dump Truck (ordered in 2022!)
- ✓ Hotsy Pressure Washing Station



COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, PROGRAMS & EVENTS

* Department of Fun Events
* Chamber of Commerce Events
* American Legion Post 328 – Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony
* Children's Art Preservation Association – Paint The Town
* Morrison Rotary Club – Harvest Hammer
* Morrison Lions Club – Recycle Day
* Whiteside County Fair
* SVCC Impact Program – Mustang Challenge

... and more!



LOCAL BUSINESS

Welcome to Morrison!

- **Madi-Do Flowers**
- **Blooms 2**
- **Liquorland**
- **The Paper Nook**
- **Hegwood's PC Repair**
- **Gold Standard Ventures**



MCUSD #6

2025 IHSA TRACK CLASS 1A TEAM CHAMPIONS

4 X 100 Relay State Champions: Rylan Alvarado, Brady Anderson, Zach Milder & Levi Milder

4 X 200 Relay State Champions: Rylan Alvarado, Brady Anderson, Zach Milder & Levi Milder

100 Meter State Champion: Brady Anderson

100 Meter 3rd Place: Levi Milder

200 Meter State Champion: Levi Milder

200 Meter 2nd Place: Brady Anderson

Long Jump 5th Place: Rylan Alvarado

MJHS WRESTLERS

Class A 112 lbs State Champion: Eli Modglin

Class A 90 lbs 3rd Place: Uryah Wright

Class A 135 lbs 4th Place: Mason Grismore

Class A 126 lbs 6th Place: Jaken Updike

WELCOME DR. MATTHEW DEBAENE, NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

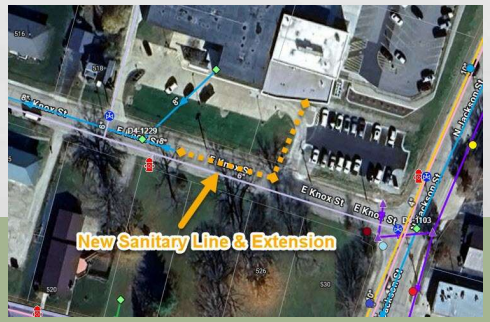
MORRISON

MORRISON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

+ Extended sewer line on East Knox Street
+ $14 million expansion project continues







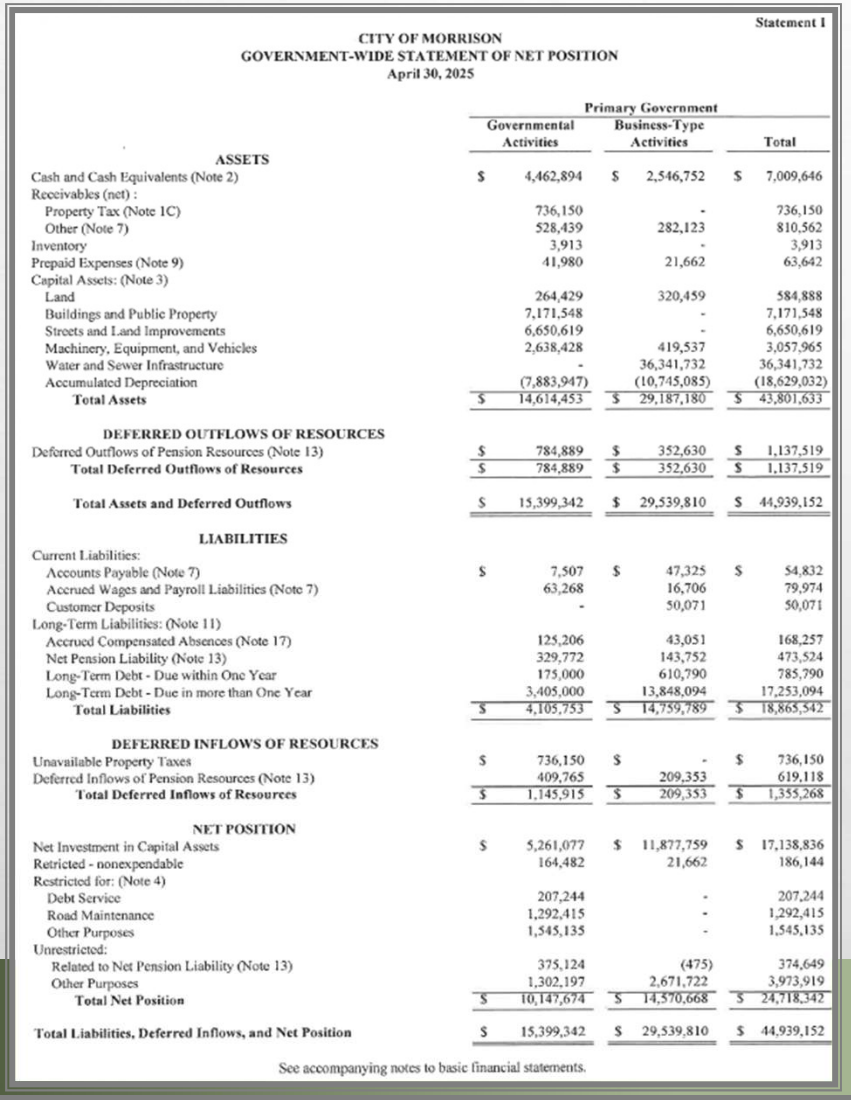
CITY ADMINISTRATION

- New Code Enforcement Efforts
- Annexation of property at 617 Portland Avenue
- Established ordinance for Sidewalk Cafes on Main Street
- Joined Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative
- Fiscal Responsibility & Transparency





IPBC
Intergovernmental
Personnel Benefit
Cooperative



Statement 1

CITY OF MORRISON
GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
April 30, 2025

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2)	$ 4,462,894	$ 2,546,752	$ 7,009,646
Receivables (net) :			
Property Tax (Note 1C)	736,150	-	736,150
Other (Note 7)	528,439	282,123	810,562
Inventory	3,913	-	3,913
Prepaid Expenses (Note 9)	41,980	21,662	63,642
Capital Assets: (Note 3)			
Land	264,429	320,459	584,888
Buildings and Public Property	7,171,548	-	7,171,548
Streets and Land Improvements	6,650,619	-	6,650,619
Machinery, Equipment, and Vehicles	2,638,428	419,537	3,057,965
Water and Sewer Infrastructure	-	36,341,732	36,341,732
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,883,947)	(10,745,085)	(18,629,032)
Total Assets	$ 14,614,453	$ 29,187,180	$ 43,801,633
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Outflows of Pension Resources (Note 13)	$ 784,889	$ 352,630	$ 1,137,519
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	$ 784,889	$ 352,630	$ 1,137,519
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows	$ 15,399,342	$ 29,539,810	$ 44,939,152
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable (Note 7)	$ 7,507	$ 47,325	$ 54,832
Accrued Wages and Payroll Liabilities (Note 7)	63,268	16,706	79,974
Customer Deposits	-	50,071	50,071
Long-Term Liabilities: (Note 11)			
Accrued Compensated Absences (Note 17)	125,206	43,051	168,257
Net Pension Liability (Note 13)	329,772	143,752	473,524
Long-Term Debt - Due within One Year	175,000	610,790	785,790
Long-Term Debt - Due in more than One Year	3,405,000	13,848,094	17,253,094
Total Liabilities	$ 4,105,753	$ 14,759,789	$ 18,865,542
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable Property Taxes	$ 736,150	$ -	$ 736,150
Deferred Inflows of Pension Resources (Note 13)	409,765	209,353	619,118
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	$ 1,145,915	$ 209,353	$ 1,355,268
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	$ 5,261,077	$ 11,877,759	$ 17,138,836
Retricted - nonexpendable	164,482	21,662	186,144
Restricted for: (Note 4)			
Debt Service	207,244	-	207,244
Road Maintenance	1,292,415	-	1,292,415
Other Purposes	1,545,135	-	1,545,135
Unrestricted:			
Related to Net Pension Liability (Note 13)	375,124	(475)	374,649
Other Purposes	1,302,197	2,671,722	3,973,919
Total Net Position	$ 10,147,674	$ 14,570,668	$ 24,718,342
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position	$ 15,399,342	$ 29,539,810	$ 44,939,152

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Audit Report for FY2024-2025

- Statement of Net Position (adjacent image)
- Report available online & upon request

<u>Surplus</u> Budget Plan for FY26

Established Economic Development Fund

- Further support Chamber of Commerce, MADC, HPC Façade Program, TIF and other economic development opportunities

Adopted local 1% Grocery Tax effective January 1, 2026

- Otherwise, a significant revenue loss to the City due to the State of Illinois' elimination of its state-wide 1% grocery tax

PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX REFERENDUM

WHITESIDE COUNTY REFERENDUM TO IMPOSE A TAX INCREASE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

TO PAY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COSTS SHALL WHITESIDE COUNTY BE AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE AN INCREASE ON ITS SHARE OF LOCAL SALES TAXES BY ONE HALF OF A PERCENT (0.5%).

This would mean that a consumer would pay an additional $0.50 in sales tax for every $100 of taxable retail purchases. If imposed, the additional tax would not be terminated unless by a vote of the county board.

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

- County referendum on ballot for Consolidated Election, April 1, 2025
- Support Public Safety, Consolidated Dispatch Center
- Sales Tax, NOT A PROPERTY T[illegible]
- All products sold i[illegible] for qualifying ([illegible]) [illegible] and medi[illegible] and [illegible]icles/trailers.
- For eve[illegible], $0.50 is collected.

PASSED!

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WORKING FOR THE FUTURE

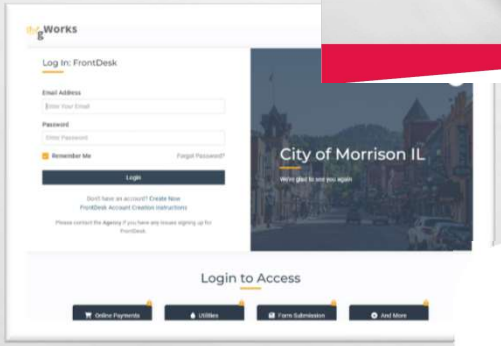
Current & Upcoming Projects

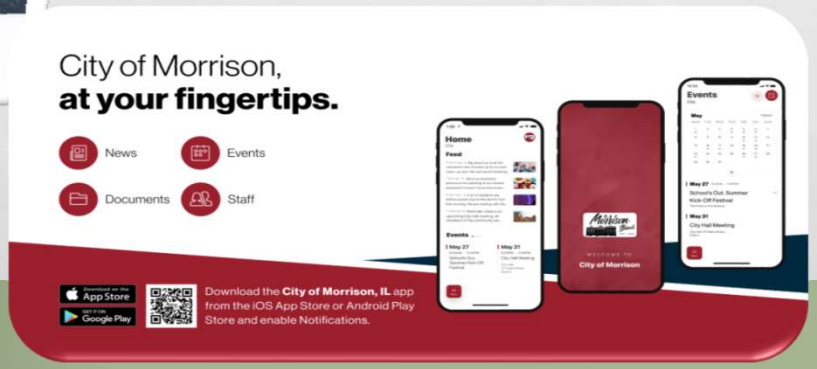
- ✓ Lincolnway (US Rt 30) – Working actively with IDOT for Reconstruction
- ✓ New Utility Billing, Community Development and Alerts Software Implementation
- ✓ Phase IV – Water Tower Improvements (aerator, mixer, etc.) & Well 4 Generator
- ✓ Phase V – East Main Street Watermain
- ✓ Street Improvements – South Orange Street, Main Street (ends) & Railroad Grade Crossings
- ✓ Crocker Bridge (Rock Creek) Reconstruction
- ✓ Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
- ✓ Renewable Energy (Solar) Systems for Public Facilities
- ✓ Recreation Path – North Jackson Street to Sports Complex
- ✓ Playground – Sports Complex
- ✓ Pickleball Courts – Water Works Park (DCEO Grant Award)
- ✓ Tax Increment Financing and Business Development Districts
- ✓ Tree City USA Recognition - 2024



ONLINE SERVICES







- ✓ **CodeRED** - Notifications
- ✓ **FrontDesk** – Online Utility Account
- ✓ **Website & Mobile App!**

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CITY GOVERNMENT

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