

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

September 14, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The Morrison City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 14, 2026, 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 Administrator Brian Melton 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, and Todd Schlegel. Absent: Sidonna Mahaffey, Vernon Tervelt, and Matt Tichler. Vacancy: Ward 1. Other city officials present were Mayor Scott Vandermyde, City Administrator Brian Melton, Police Chief Michael Moon, and City Treasurer Margaret Jones.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Cited.

PUBLIC HEARING

CA Melton discussed the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program and the City's Multi-Use Path Grant Application. The path would connect North Jackson Street (Kimmel Drive), Harvey's Subdivision, East-End Commercial Corridor and the Morrison Sports Complex. The project consists of land acquisition/easements, an asphalt path, signage, safety barriers, landscaping and path lighting. No feedback was received from the public during the hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

PRESENTATIONS

Brian & Elizabeth Tribley, Pink Heals of the Sauk Valley, presented to the Council. Pink Heals is a not-for-profit organization of volunteers with the mission to provide awareness and support to those affected by cancer. Pink Heals also explained the purpose of utilizing out-of-service (or retired) emergency vehicles for their mission.

Elizabeth Buckwalter, Director for the Morrison Area Development Corporation, presented to the Council with an update. MADC has updated their website and continues to provide resources, loans, grants and other programs to support economic development. The recent efforts of MADC have been with Coffee Hours inviting local businesses to an hour of networking and learning. An upcoming coffee hour is on September 17, 2:00 pm at Peanut Butter and Deli, with the topic of 'Schools Impact on Local Economy', Dr. Matthew DeBaene, MCUSD Superintendent.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS AND/OR COMMITTEES

Written reports were provided to the Council from Superintendents Osborn and Garland, and Chief Moon.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ald Buckwalter moved to approve City Council meeting minutes, August 24, 2026, Bills Payable \$287,018.95, Treasurer's Report for June 2026, Planning & Zoning Board meeting minutes for August 26, 2026, and Historic Preservation Commission, meeting minutes for September 1, 2026; seconded by Ald Bruckner. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Ald Buckwalter moved to approve Ordinance No. 26-10, Disposing of Surplus Personal Property, seconded by Ald Schlegel. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Ordinance No. 26-17 Reclassifying Property to R-1 Single-Family Residential with Special Use, seconded by Ald Buckwalter. Discussion. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to approve Ordinance No. 26-18 Reclassifying Property to C-2 General Commercial, seconded by Ald Bruckner. Discussion. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Ald Schlegel moved to award the Pickleball Surface Project to Helm-Civil in the amount of \$97,780, seconded by Ald Bruckner. Discussion. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Ald Bruckner moved to approve the Grant Agreement with IEPA for Lead Service Line Inventory, seconded by Ald Buckwalter. Discussion. Ayes: Bruckner, Buckwalter, Dunne, and Schlegel. Absent: Mahaffey, Tervelt, and Tichler. Nays: None. Motion passed.

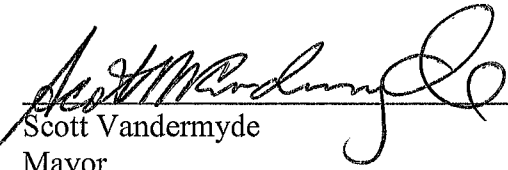
CA Melton discussed the Winsor Consulting Proposal for a Zero Trust Public Safety Network with the Council. This proposal is the result of ongoing meetings with Winsor Consulting following their network assessment in December 2025. Upgrades are necessary to our computer network to be more secure and compliant with the Federal Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) requirements. No action taken.

No other business was brought before the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Ald Schlegel moved to adjourn; seconded by Ald Buckwalter. Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Approved:



Scott Vandermyde
Mayor



Brian Melton for Michael Hemmer
City Administrator for City Clerk