

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

September 8, 2014

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Whiteside County Board Room, 400 North Cherry Street, Morrison, IL. Mayor Everett Pannier called the meeting to order. City Clerk Melanie Schroeder recorded the minutes.

Aldermen present on roll call were: Michael Blean, Harvey Zuidema, Leo Sullivan, Curt Bender, Marti Wood, Dave Helms and Scott Connelly. Alderman Dale Eizenga was excused.

Other City Officials present included: City Administrator Barry Dykhuizen, Chief of Police Brian Melton, Sports Complex Director Jim DuBois and City Treasurer Evan Haag.

There was no public comment.

The Planning/Zoning Commission has made a recommendation to the Council regarding changes to the sign ordinance. Administrator Dykhuizen stated he will ask the City Attorney to draft an ordinance reflecting the changes.

Mayor Pannier stated that the Historic Preservation Commission has discussed fundraising for new tablets at the Veterans Park and Memorial.

Administrator Dykhuizen stated that seal coating has been delayed due to an equipment malfunction. Crews will try again on September 9th, weather permitting.

The demolition of the house located at 703/705 West Morris is still in progress. The City is still awaiting the funding from Rock Island GROWTH.

Chief Melton stated that the traffic flow has improved since the changes in parking on Genesee Court. He also stated that the Morrison Police Department will be participating in Rail Safety Week. Information will be sent to the press. Additional enforcement activities and education will occur next week.

Mayor Pannier reported a successful meeting between city staff and the IEPA during a recent meeting in Springfield regarding the waste water treatment plant. City officials will meet soon with Baxter & Woodman regarding some potential redesign areas.

Alderman Wood moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following: August 25, 2014 Regular Session Minutes; Bills Payable; Request for Street Closure from CAPA for Paint the Town; Final Change Order for Tech Drive; and Final Pay Request for Tech Drive in the amount of \$12,260.88, seconded by Alderman Helms. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Blean, Zuidema, Sullivan, Bender, Wood, Helms, Connelly) and 0 nays, the motion carried.

There were no items for Action.

Other Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

- 1) Council discussed the formation of a Parks & Recreation Commission. Questions and concerns were addressed by Director DuBois.
- 2) Mayor Pannier thanked everyone for their efforts following the recent storm. Assistance was received by several area Townships, municipalities and IDOT.

Being no further business, Alderman Blean moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Zuidema. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Mayor Pannier adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Approved:

Everett Pannier
Mayor

Melanie T. Schroeder
City Clerk