

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE  
CITY OF MORRISON  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

July 13, 2015

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on July 13, 2015 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: Dale Eizenga, Michael Blean, Harvey Zuidema, Mick Welding, Curt Bender Vernon Tervelt, Dave Helms and Scott Connelly.

Other City Officials present included: City Administrator Barry Dykhuizen and City Treasurer Evan Haag.

There was no public comment.

Alderman Helms moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following: June 22, 2015 Regular Session Minutes; Bills Payable (with correction to the Bill List Memo with regard to the total of bills paid and the manual check numbers), seconded by Alderman Eizenga. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Zuidema, Welding, Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Connelly, Eizenga, Blean) and 0 nays, the motion carried.

There were no items for consideration and possible action.

Other Items for Consideration, Discussion & Information:

- 1) CA Dykhuizen has heard complaints regarding pets at the Sports Complex; mainly in the area of the diamonds. Council would like to have pets banned from the inner area of the diamonds with limiting them to the perimeter trail area and leashed. The sign that prohibits pets, skateboards, scooters, etc... will be moved.
- 2) CA Dykhuizen discussed the city's recent procedure for collection storm damage, as he has received some recent criticism on how the city handled the debris collection after the June 2015 storm. He requested Council direction with what to do in the future. Council decided that the city should only clean up what is in the parkway and the roadway. Private debris will not be collected, as residents can contact a brush hauler and Moring Disposal collects as part of residential monthly fees.
- 3) Council discussed outdoor wood burning furnaces and wishes to prohibit them. An ordinance will be drafted and brought back to the council at a later date. Existing furnaces will need to meet EPA standards and once met, will be grandfathered-in.
- 4) The 2008 Street Maintenance Plan does not address the maintenance of the brick streets. Council thought that overlaying the bricks was the best and most affordable maintenance option at this time.
- 5) The timeline for the waste water treatment plant construction is still being followed closely.
- 6) Mayor Pannier has received another request from a liquor license holder who wants a pour license in order to have video gaming. Following discussion, Council decided they are not interested in allowing pouring licenses at places other than taverns.

- 7) Alderman Tervelt inquired on the limiting of household pets. CA Dykhuizen stated he has done much research on the topic and has found that recommendations are to not place a limit on household pets. Alderman Welding stated he has done some research also and has found information on requiring a kennel license for households with many pets, thus making the State responsible for regulation.

Executive Session:

- 1) Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6), Alderman Eizenga moved to enter Executive Session to consider the setting of a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the public body, seconded by Alderman Zuidema. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Zuidema, Welding, Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Connelly, Eizenga, Blean) and 0 nays, the motion carried. Executive Session began at 8:05 p.m.
- 2) Regular session resumed at 9:14 p.m.

Alderman Tervelt moved approve Resolution #15-07 – Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Real Property, as amended, seconded by Alderman Eizenga. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Connelly, Eizenga, Blean, Zuidema, Welding) and 0 nays, the motion carried. This is the property formerly known as the Wilkens House at 14537 Crosby Road (Lot #1) and Lot #2; both in Sunrise Addition.

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

Meeting adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Approved:

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Everett Pannier, Mayor

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Melanie T. Schroeder, City Clerk