The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on September 26, 2016 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, Kenneth Mahaffey, Harvey Zuidema, Mick Welding, Curt Bender, Vernon Tervelt, Dave Helms and Arlyn Deets.

Other City Officials present included: City Administrator Barry Dykhuizen, Public Works Director Gary Tresenriter, City Treasurer Evan Haag and Chief of Police Brian Melton.

Director Tresenriter stated the progress of the Wastewater Treatment Plant is going well. Crews are only behind on the pond construction, which is too wet to lay the liner.

CA Dykhuizen stated that Paint the Town went well. Alderman Welding stated the Harvest Hammer went well, also.

Mayor Pannier thanked all volunteers who helped with the recent fire hydrant painting. 60 hydrants have been done thus far. Another painting effort will occur on October 1st.

Alderman Helms moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following: September 12, 2016 Regular Session Minutes; September 22, 2016 Special Session Minutes; Bills Payable; August 2016 Treasurers Report, Waste Water Treatment Plant Request for Loan Disbursement #10/Application for Payment #9; Trick or Treat Date/Time: October 31 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.; and Guardrail Replacement, seconded by Alderman Deets. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Deets, Eizenga) and 0 nays, the motion carried.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:
1) Alderman Eizenga moved to approve Ordinance #16-15 – Declare Surplus Property, seconded by Alderman Bender. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Zuidema, Welding, Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Deets, Eizenga, Mahaffey) and 0 nays, the motion carried.
2) Alderman Zuidema moved to approve Ordinance #16-16 – Initial Liquor License Issuance Fee, seconded by alderman Welding. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Welding, Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Deets, Eizenga, Mahaffey, Zuidema) and 0 nays, the motion carried.
3) Alderman Eizenga moved to approve the purchase of police department radio equipment, seconded by Alderman Mahaffey. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Bender, Tervelt, Helms, Deets, Eizenga, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding) and 0 nays, the motion carried.
Other Items for Consideration, Discussion & Information:
1) Council discussed the possibility of developing affordable housing on the West Winfield property which formerly housed the City House and Well #4. Consensus of the Council was to allow continued conversation with Rock Island Growth regarding the project.
2) Aldermen discussed allowing 24-hour parking on Market Street. A request has come forth from a Main Street business owner who is developing 2 Main Street store-fronts. Council was requested to continue to think of ideas regarding the issue, which will be discussed again when the requestor is able to attend the meeting.
3) A request to purchase a sub-compact utility tractor was discussed. There is a multitude of uses for this equipment at the Sports Complex and other areas of the city. Council discussed obtaining price comparisons from the John Deere dealers in Fulton and Sterling.
4) New bond financial models were handed out. Council was asked to review them. A special meeting may be called for Council to decide which option they wish to go with.
5) Alderman Eizenga asked if parts of Main Street could be ground and overlaid as a temporary fix to the pavement issue. Staff will check with city engineers on the issue.
6) Alderman Tervelt stated he has seen people working inside of the former Prairie View County Club Clubhouse.
7) Mayor Pannier stated he will not be at the October 11th Council meeting. A Mayor Pro-Tem will need to be appointed. Clerk Schroeder stated she will not be at the meeting, either.

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

Meeting adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Approved:

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Everett Pannier, Mayor

Melanie T. Schroeder, City Clerk