

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

October 12, 2021

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on October 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 S Madison St., Morrison, IL. Mayor Scott Vandermyde called the meeting to order. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes.

Aldermen present on roll call were Greg Kruse, Sidonna Mahaffey, Mick Welding, Harvey Zuidema, Josh West, and Arlyn Deets. Absent: Vernon Tervelt, Kevin Bruckner, Jr.

Other City officials present were City Administrator Barry Dykhuizen, Public Services Director Lori Matlack, City Treasurer Margaret Jones, and Police Chief Brian Melton.

Public Comment was opened at 7:02 p.m.

Dr Brad Yaklich, Department of Fun, informed Council that their next planned Block Party is scheduled for October 23 on Main Street between Cherry and Madison. Due to a tight schedule, there is no rain or make-up day planned. Hero's Bar is planning an outdoor beer garden and local band 30 West will perform from 5-7 pm.

Anne Mills and Nate Lamkin spoke in support of allowing live chickens within city limits.

Report of City Officers, Department Heads, & Committees. None.

Consent Agenda

Alderman Zuidema moved to approve Consent Agenda items consisting of the following: Approve Regular Session Minutes September 28, 2021; Approve August Treasurer's Report; Approve Bills Payable; Refer 501-503 E Park St Variance to Planning and Zoning; Approve Wendler Engineering Elm/Jackson Pay Request; Approve Helm Civil Elm/Jackson Pay Request #2; and IML Risk Management Renewal. Alderman Deets seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Welding, Zuidema, West, and Deets), 2 absent (Tervelt, Bruckner) and 0 nays; the motion carried.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda (For Discussion and Possible Action). None.

Items For Consideration, Discussion & Information

Dave Weber, Wendler Engineering, discussed cemetery road quality (various widths, levels and nearness to gravesites). He suggested that Council needed to identify which roads were more important than others as a complete reconstruction would be very expensive. CA Dykhuizen informed Council there is \$115,000 in funds accessible in 9/2022 and might need an additional \$35-40,000. Alderman Welding moved to approve the preliminary plan for cemetery road improvements. Alderman West seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Welding, Zuidema, West, and Deets), 2 absent (Tervelt, Bruckner) and 0 nays; the motion carried.

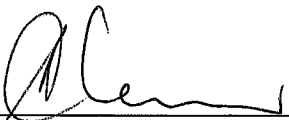
Alderman West moved to approve Ordinance #21-25 Authorizing Interfund Loan Between The Grove Hill Cemetery And The City For The Purpose Of Repairing Roadway Infrastructure Within The Cemetery. Alderman Welding seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Welding, Zuidema, West, and Deets), 2 absent (Tervelt, Bruckner) and 0 nays; the motion carried.

Alderman Mahaffey moved to approve referring the permitting of backyard chickens to the city attorney for code development. Alderman West seconded. On a roll call vote of 4 ayes (Mahaffey, Welding, West, and Deets), 2 nays (Kruse, Zuidema), and 2 absent (Tervelt, Bruckner); the motion carried.

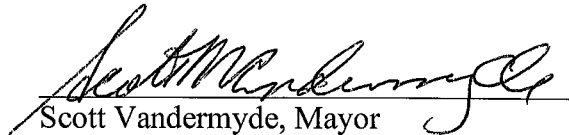
Without being called to a vote, the approval of vehicle financing through an interdepartmental loan from Sewer Fund to General Fund failed.

With no additional business to discuss, Alderman Zuidema moved to adjourn. Alderman Welding seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Approved:



Michael Hemmer, City Clerk



Scott Vandermyde, Mayor