

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

March 14, 2022

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on March 14, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 S Madison St., Morrison, IL. Mayor Pro Tem Mick Welding called the meeting to order. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes.

Aldermen present on roll call were Greg Kruse, Sidonna Mahaffey, Harvey Zuidema, Mick Welding, Vernon Tervelt, Josh West, Kevin Bruckner, Jr, and Arlyn Deets. Absent: none.

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

Public Comment

Dr Bradley Yaklich and Amanda Cook of the Department of Fun updated Council on their plans for the city to celebrate the new lights on Main Street with a dusk parade of lighted ATVs, a Pub Crawl and an official lighting of the streetlights at City Hall on April 9. A street closure request would be submitted to council at their next session.

Also, in cooperation with the American legion, the Department of Fun is organizing the final block party on Memorial Day. The Legion would display their new flags and there would be music and other events organized.

Jackie Damhoff suggested several grants, including Covid Relief Grants, that might be used to renovate the Sports Complex and add programs. City Administrator Dykhuizen said some of those grants were broader and flexible than the initial water, sewer and broadband programs, The city would review her suggestions.

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

Consent Agenda

Alderman Zuidema moved to remove Bills Payable from the Consent Agenda.

Alderman Deets moved to approve Consent Agenda items consisting of the following: February 28 2022 Regular Session Minutes; February 2022 Treasurer's Report; Historic Preservation Commission Minutes March 1 2022; opening an account and debit card at Farmer's National Bank; and Main Street Pay Request #8. Alderman West seconded. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

Alderman Tervelt questioned the monthly winter Constellation charge for electricity at the Sports Complex. City Administrator Dykhuizen suggested it might be the heaters in the bathrooms and the trail lights. He would review costs for the past 3-4 winters and submit the

comparisons to council at their next meeting. Aldermen Bruckner and West felt that the path lights needed to stay on as it was a public park and for safety.

Alderman Zuidema questioned the Gold Star Natural Gas item as its propane gas being used. Public Services Director Matlack said it was because there was a limited choice in coding and that was the closest category available.

Alderman Zuidema moved to approve Bills Payable. Alderman Deets seconded. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Items For Consideration, Discussion & Information

Alderman West moved to approve the USDA Grant Request. Alderman Zuidema seconded. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Alderman Deets moved to approve Water System Phase III – Willett Hoffman Agreement. Alderman Bruckner seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Welding, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 2 nays (Zuidema and Tervelt), and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Alderman West moved to approve Maple and Elm Water System Loop and Hydrant Replacement. Alderman Deets seconded. Council members asked several questions regarding the city's water situation and benefits of creating a looped system. Alderman Zuidema moved to table the item for further clarification; Alderman Tervelt seconded. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Approval for a new mini-split HVAC system at the Sports Complex in South Concession Stand (est. \$14,500 downstairs/\$10,000 upstairs +/-) died for lack of motion, City Administrator Dykhuizen Council would provide additional details and other options at an upcoming council meeting.

Alderman Deets moved to approve Inter-Governmental Agreement with Mount Pleasant Township. Alderman Mahaffey seconded. Council discussed several locations which were investigated but failed after analysis. City Administrator Dykhuizen said the city was on track to being out of the GE by March 31. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Approval of the Bush Turf Sports Complex Field Proposal was removed for review by the City.

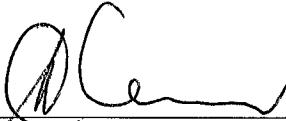
Alderman Deets moved to approve Replacement of Kelly Park Playground Equipment (including a \$2000 Lion's Club Donation) which was not to exceed \$4000. Alderman West seconded. On a roll call vote of 8 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 0 absent; the motion carried.

Other Items for Consideration, Discussion & Information, None

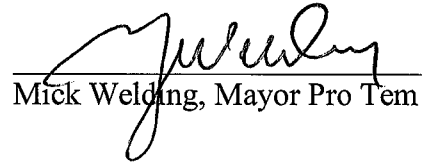
Other Business. None.

With no additional business to discuss, Alderman Zuidema motioned for adjournment; Alderman West seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved:



Michael Hemmer, City Clerk



Mick Welding, Mayor Pro Tem