

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WHITESIDE
CITY OF MORRISON
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

June 13, 2022

The Morrison City Council met in Regular Session on June 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Morrison Community Room, 307 S Madison St., Morrison, IL. Mayor Scott Vandermyde called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. City Clerk Michael Hemmer recorded the minutes.

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

Other City officials present were City Administrator Barry Dykhuizen, Public Services Director Lori Matlack, City Treasurer Maggie Jones, Sgt. Kevin Soenksen, and City Attorney Tim Zollinger.

Public Comment.

Jennifer Vander Molen asked for Council meetings to be live stream. Jill De Rycke reported that Dairy Queen Morrison was not honoring the Morrison Police Department's free ice cream coupons. Jill asked Council for quotes on repairing all four fields at the Sports Complex. Both she and Joy Tegeler were frustrated that several items discussed on June 1st were not on tonight's agenda. Shawn Swaim, Acting Head Baseball Coach, was disappointed that he wasn't included in the school's discussion and hoped that repairs would not be "done on the cheap".

Report of City Officers, Department Heads, & Committees.

Sgt. Soenksen reviewed the Morrison Police Department's Helmut Incentive Program mentioning he had already passed out 12-15 free ice cream coupons. He would talk to the owner of the Morrison Dairy Queen. He felt it was just misinformed employees.

Consent Agenda.

Alderman Tervelt moved to remove the approval of allowing alcohol on city property (Chamber/Millikan Park). Alderman Zuidema moved to remove referring a re-zoning request to the Planning and Zoning Board (303 W Lincolnway).

Alderman Zuidema moved to approve Consent Agenda items consisting of the following: approve May 23, 2022 Regular Session Minutes; approve June 1, 2022 Special Session Minutes (with modifications); approve Bills Payable; approve Annual Land Lease with Union Pacific; approve Library/Community Room Pay Request #2; approve one-day liquor license (Boogie Woogie Bingo); and approve Cab for 2022 Gator. Alderman Mahaffey seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

Faith Rumfelt, Executive Director of the Morrison Chamber of Commerce, discussed their after-hours and invitation only event where they would like to serve alcohol at Millikan Park. Alderman Tervelt felt it would set a dangerous precedent allowing alcohol on city property. After discussion, Alderman Bruckner moved to approve the request. Alderman Deets seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Bruckner, and Deets), 1 nay (Tervelt), and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Alderman Zuidema asked if the re-zoning request to Planning and Zoning Board (303 W Lincolnway) was made by the owner, lessor or interested party. CA Dykhuizen said it was made by a potential lessor. City Attorney Zollinger felt it was a process question and that Council could refer it back to Planning and Zoning subject to the owner signing off on it and/or other conditions. Alderman Bruckner moved to approve the re-zoning request with the owner's explicit consent. Alderman Mahaffey seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Items For Consideration, Discussion & Information

David Weber, Wendler Engineering, discussed the city's options for approving MFT Engineering Agreement 2023 Street Projects for portions of Cherry, Genesee, Jackson, Heaton and Main Street repairs using funds from the Motor Fuel Tax and Build Illinois Fund. Alderman Welding moved to approve Wendler designing a plan for these mill and overlay projects. After discussion, Alderman Deets seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Aldermen Bruckner, Deets and Zuidema met with Bob Vegter and City employees to discuss a plan to improve Field 5 Drainage problems by installing 1000' of new drainage tiles and replacing surface material with a new lime base. Alderman Mahaffey moved to approve. After discussion, Alderman Bruckner seconded with "not to exceed \$15,000". On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Faith Rumfelt discussed the Chamber's Street Closure Request for Shuckfest on July 30, 2022 in partnership with the Department of Fun. Alderman Mahaffey moved to approve. Alderman Kruse seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

WITHDRAWN. Approve Street Closure Request (Dept of Fun) – Pizza Wars June 24th, 2022.

Faith Rumfelt discussed the Department of Fun's event at Sports Complex – 70s Festival on August 27, 2022. Alderman Mahaffey moved to approve the event if there weren't any scheduling conflicts at the Complex. Alderman Zuidema seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Approve Enterprise Zone Ordinance #22-08 & IGA Amendments administered by the Whiteside County Economic Development office. Alderman Zuidema moved to approve.

Alderman Deets seconded. On a roll call vote of 6 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, 1 abstain (Welding) and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

CA Dykhuizen discussed approving Ordinance #22-09 Alderperson, Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, and Board Chair of the Cemetery Compensation which increases the stipend for future aldermen to reflect time invested in serving and to be more in line with other communities. Alderman Tervelt moved to approve. Alderman Zuidema seconded. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, Bruckner, and Deets), 0 nays, and 1 absent (West); the motion carried.

Other Items for Consideration, Discussion & Information.

Council discussed replacing the city's 2001 International Dump Truck (\$200k +/-); a business owner's request for downtown benches; installing Community Room A/V for better sound and adding the ability to stream Council meetings; and some conflicting wording in some recreational path easements.

Executive Session.

Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2, Alderman Zuidema made a motion to enter Executive Session to consider the purchase or lease of real property, seconded by Alderman Tervelt. On a roll call vote of 7 ayes (Kruse, Mahaffey, Zuidema, Welding, Tervelt, West, Bruckner, and Deets) 1 absent (West) and 0 nays the motion passed. Executive Session began at approximately 8:25 p.m.

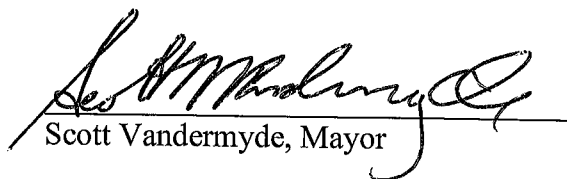
Regular Session resumed at 8:37 p.m. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

With no additional business to discuss, Alderman Zuidema motioned for adjournment; Alderman Tervelt seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Approved:



Michael Hemmer, City Clerk


Scott Vandermyde, Mayor