

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MORRIS CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Morris City Council was called to order by Mayor Chris Brown, on Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers. Present were:

Alderman Herb Wyeth	Alderman Derrick Wren
Alderman Jake Duvick	Alderman Alex Clubb
Alderman Julian Houston	Alderman Duane Wolfe
Alderman Dean Tambling	Alderman Sarah Mettille

APPROVE MINUTES It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Duvick, the reading of minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with and approved as written. This motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE BILLS It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wyeth, the list of bills be approved and ordered paid, when funds are available and signed by the proper committees. This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None

ACCEPT REPORT OF FINES It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Houston, the report of fines for the month of September be accepted and placed in the proper accounts. This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None

ACCEPT MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Wyeth, that the Treasurer's Report for the month of September be accepted and placed on file. This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille
Nays: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Morris Retail Association will host "Magic in Morris" a Harry Potter Themed Experience on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 10am until 6pm.
Trick or Treat hours in the City of Morris will be 4-7pm on Monday, October 31, 2022.
City phone lines will be inoperable on Tuesday, October 18, due to a system upgrade. Phone lines will be down at least until noon.
GEDC and local mayors having been working on a Transportation grant to support future development, and to look at all the major arteries around the surrounding areas. Nancy and Monica announced that through the efforts, a 400k dollar grant was awarded through IDOT, that will require an 80/20 match.
Next Friday, October 28 the City will host a blood drive from 10-3pm.
A twenty-five thousand dollar grant was finally awarded and received by the USEPA for the battery fire assistance after a year of dedicated, persistent work by Stan Knudson.

**FINANCE &
ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wolfe that committee recommendation that council approve an upgrade for the Springbrook operating system to migrate to the cloud. The cost associated with this migration will be \$62,848.00. This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wolfe that committee recommendation that council approve a proposal for the Nettle Creek Stormwater Study in the amount of \$95,700.00. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe, and Mettille.
Nays: None.

**JUDICIARY &
LICENSE
COMMITTEE**

Chairman Duvick reported the business licenses granted were as follows; Vicky Moody, dba Combined Public Communications, LLC, 111 E. Washington Street, to operate an inmate telephone service business, Jodi Hansen, dba Happy Grill More at 309 McKinley Street to operate a restaurant business, Logan Mueller, dba Stellar Floor Finishes at 2010 Oak Forest Drive to operate a hardwood floor refinishing business, and Kurt Lamp, dba Amazon.com Services LLC, at 100 Prologis Parkway to operate a distribution business.

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Duvick that committee recommendation that council adopt **Ordinance #4546** Amending Chapter 5.08.070 of the Morris Municipal Code to increase the number of Class E Liquor Licenses. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Wren that committee recommendation that council approve a Class E liquor license application by Enzhen Li, dba Saki Sushi & Hibachi located at 306 Liberty Street. This motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Wyeth that committee recommendation that council approve a Class E liquor license application by Oscar Luevano, dba Luevanos Barber Lounge located at 100 W. Commercial Drive, Suite 6. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

Alderman Sarah Mettille reported that the City will be adopting the Parks Plan soon.

**PARKS &
ANNEXATIONS
COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Alderman Wren and seconded by Alderman Houston that committee recommendation that council approve a proposal for a lighting study on Route 47 in the amount of \$84,900.00. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

It was moved by Alderman Wren and seconded by Alderman Wyeth that committee recommendation that council approve a proposal for relocation of utilities on Wauponsee Street in the amount of \$9,700.00. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Wyeth, Duvick, Houston, Tambling, Wren, Clubb, Wolfe and Mettille.
Nays: None.

**PLANNING
COMMISSION**

Alderman Wren reported that the next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 5:30pm

**ZONING BOARD OF
APPEALS**

Alderman Houston reported that the committee will not meet on October 26, 2022.

**BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

Alderman Wolfe reported that the next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 10am with 4-5 items with public participation.

**MOTION TO
ADJOURN**

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wren; the meeting be adjourned at 7:17pm. This motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until November 7, 2022, 7:00pm

ATTEST:  CITY CLERK