

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MORRIS CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Morris City Council was called to order by Mayor Chris Brown, on Monday, April 3, 2023 at 7:00 P.M., in the City Council Chambers. Present were:

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

APPROVE MINUTES It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wyeth, 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 Clubb, 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 Wren, Wyeth, Clubb, Houston, Mettille, Tambling, Wolfe
Nays: None.

**BUDGET OFFICER
LORI WERDEN** City Clerk Werden placed the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 on file and informed the committee that anyone from the public that would like to inspect the file can visit the City Hall Monday through Friday from 8am to 4:30pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Mayor Brown recognized the Saratoga Hawks 8th Grade Girls Volleyball team on their second-place state finish. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Morris Women's Club have planted a "Pinwheel Garden" at the Municipal Services Building to help raise awareness. Grundy County Chamber of Commerce will be holding Family Fest on Saturday, April 15, 2023, from 9am to 1pm at Shabbona School. The Women's Club will hold their Superhero 5K Run on Saturday, April 15, 2023 and the Grundy County Land Use will be holding an Electronic Waste Recycling and Shredding Event on Saturday, April 15, 2023 from 8am until noon at 310 East DuPont Road.

**JUDICIARY &
LICENSE
COMMITTEE** Alderman Wyeth report the following new Business Licenses, Vineela Parvataneni, dba Pranwi Group, LLC located at 333 E. U.S. Route 6 to operate a hair salon, David Welter Vicmark, Inc., dba Re/Max Top Properties, located at 101 E. Waverly St. to operate a real estate business, Daniel Bradish, dba Down the Line Lawn Care, LLC, located at 378 Twilight Drive, #1, to operate a lawn care business, Sarah Marshall, dba Retail 4 Resale, LLC, located at 100 Gore

Road, Suite C to operate a resale business that will include household items, and Sapan Shah, RS Morris, dba Super 8, located at 70 Green Acres Drive to operate a lodging/hotel business.

**STREETS & ALLEY
COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Alderman Wren and seconded by Alderman Houston that committee recommendation that Council adopt **Ordinance #4568** amending Ordinance #3452 approving the Amended Roadway Dedication Plat and the memorialization of the Agreement between the City of Morris and the Windings of Nettle Creek Townhouse Association, Inc. This motion was carried by the following vote:

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

It was moved by Alderman Wren and seconded by Alderman Clubb that committee recommendation that Council pass **Resolution #R-22-18** Accepting a Dedication of Right-of-Way for Third Ave. This motion was carried by the following vote:

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

**PLANNING
COMMISSION**

It was moved by Alderman Wren and seconded by Alderman Clubb tht committee recommendation that Council adopt **Ordinance #4569** granting a Conditional Permitted Use under Section 48-1065 of the Morris Municipal Code to Operate a Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishment at 310 E. High Street.

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

**ZONING BOARD OF
APPEALS**

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Clubb that board recommendation that Council adopt **Ordinance #4570** granting a Zoning Variance to Section 48-454(2) of the Morris Municipal Code for the required side yard set back to build an attached garage at 603 Fulton Street. This motion was carried by the following vote:

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

**BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

Alderman Wolfe reported that the planters and garbage recipticals have been ordered with an 8 week delivery. Picnic Tables have also been ordered for the corner of Rt 47 and Chapin Street where the "MORRIS" sign is located.

AUDIENCE

Ken Wills informed the Council that the new sound system doesn't work and the audience cannot hear the council when discussions are taking place. Vicki Geiger who resides at 1827 Periwinkle who is a long time resident of Morris, and a local business owner for over 30 years selling Real Estate voiced her concerns regarding the Ordinance that the Council adopted in December changing the requirment for the percentage of brick that will be required in any future construction, and was asking for consideration that council review this requirement on

a case by case occurrence. Mayor acknowledged her concerns and agreed that this could be looked at on a case by case.

**MOTION TO
ADJOURN**

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Clubb the meeting be adjourned at 7:17 p.m. This motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned until Monday, April 17, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:  CITY CLERK