



Morris Municipal Services Building

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City Meetings

The Morris City Council meets twice monthly. Committee meetings are held on an as needed basis.

All are held in the Community Room 700 N. Division St., Morris, IL 60450

March

6th Morris City Council 7:00PM20th Morris City Council 7:00PM

April

3rd Morris City Council 7:00PM

17th Morris City Council 7:00PM

May

1st Morris City Council 7:00PM
15th Morris City Council 7:00PM

Closed for the following Holidays:

Friday, April 7th - Easter (Observed) Monday, May 29th - Memorial Day

City Directory

Mayor's Office 815-942-5438

City Clerk 815-942-4026

City Treasurer 815-942-4108

Building & Zoning 815-942-1855

Business Development 815-941-3685

Morris Fire & Ambulance Non-Emergency 815-942-2830 Morris Police Non-Emergency 815-942-2131

Public Works Department 815-942-5063

Water Department Billing/Questions 815-942-4026

Water Department Maintenance 815-942-2205

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Message from Mayor Chris Brown

As we move closer to spring, it means that we are nearing the end of our fiscal year and we are well on our way to building our city's next budget for fiscal year 2023/2024

which will begin on May 1st. In November, the Morris City Council was presented with the annual audit report for the city's fiscal year which ended on April 30, 2022. I would like to thank Mack & Associates for their hard work in preparing the audit and also for presenting their findings to the council. Here are a few of the financial highlights:

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the city exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$71,676,801. More simply stated, this means the City of Morris has more money coming in and less money going out.
- The city's total net position increased by \$5,696,759 (+9.1%) for the fiscal year. Of this amount, the governmental net position increased by \$2,047,898 (+7.71%) and the business-type net position increased by \$3,648,858 (+9.25%).
- The city's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$18,287,305, an increase of \$1,164,663 (+6.82%) in comparison with the prior fiscal year. Approximately 40% of the total fund balance, \$7,302,857, was unassigned and available for spending at the city's discretion.
- The city's total long-term debt decreased by \$499,789 during the current fiscal year due to scheduled payments on bond issues and capital leases.

Processing all of this financial information can be challenging for many of us, so I want to sum it up using very simple language. The City of Morris has more dollars coming in, less money being spent, and money in the bank for any unforeseen expenses that may arise. Our financial vision for the city is working. I appreciate the efforts and hard work of the city clerk's office and our city council. Because of your dedication, Morris is in a strong financial position, and we were able to lower the City of Morris' tax levy to the historically low rate of 0.6280% which translates into an estimated savings of \$118,000 for homeowners. A full copy of the annual audit is available at https://morrisil.org/.

Before I finish, I want to take a few moments to share some thoughts and memories of one of the most esteemed and distinguished members of our community that we recently lost. Elmo Ray Younger passed away on December 30, 2022. We had the honor of hosting Mr. Younger and celebrating his 100th birthday at a city council meeting in February. He was, as always, a gentleman and enjoyed everybody's well wishes. He was a true pioneer as the first African American to be elected to public office in Grundy County. He served our community for 12 years as an alderman. He did so with grace, honor, and a true love for our community. In addition to serving our city, Elmo served his country honorably in World War II, and he also held the position of commander of the local chapter of Disabled American Veterans for 12 years. Elmo was always giving back to his community. He will be dearly missed, but his life serves as a lesson for all of us, and how we can serve our community, our neighbors, and each other.

Citywide Blood Drive

The next citywide blood drive will be held in the Morris Municipal Building, Community Room on Friday, May 19th, 2023 from 10 AM to 3 PM. Blood donation helps save lives. In



a little over a year, our blood drives have collected 157 units. You have never donated? That's OK! 19% of our donors are first timers! Please consider joining us and give the gift of life! Visit redcrossblood.org for more information.

PUBLIC WORKS POINTERS

City of Morris' Annual "Spring Clean Up"

Week of May 22 - 26

Residents can dispose of an unlimited number of unwanted items by placing them at the curb on your normal garbage day.

*Excludes hazardous waste (paint, chemicals, tires, etc.) appliances, white goods, and all electronics. For questions regarding items not accepted, please call 815-942-5063.

City Continues to Exchange Water Meters

The City of Morris would like to make residents aware of their ongoing water meter exchange program. Meters are exchanged at no cost to residents and service calls typically are completed in less than twenty minutes. With the



new smart meters, residents can download an app for their mobile devices which allows them to monitor their water usage. Use of this type of technology can make the detection of a water leak much easier and can potentially save customers costs related to water usage caused by leaks. If you would like to schedule a meter replacement, please call the City of Morris Water Department at 815-942-4026.

Leaf and Yard Waste Pickup to Resume

Spring time is here and that means its time for yardwork. As we head outdoors to begin the process of cleaning up our yards, here are some helpful tips for you. The City of Morris' waste hauler, Republic Services, will resume pick up of an unlimited amount of leaf and yard waste the week beginning on April 3rd. Yard waste



should be put in the garbage container which has the "Yard Waste Only" sticker displayed on the front of the container. This service will run through the last full week of November. Branches outside of the container must be bundled to a length less than 48" and should weigh no more than 40 pounds.

BUILDING AND ZONING CORNER

As the grip of winter breaks and the weather starts to warm up, many local residents will be hiring contractors to replace their roofs. Before you start the work, remember to obtain the necessary roofing permit from the Building and Zoning Department. The cost of the permit is only \$50 and can be obtained by a city-registered contractor or the homeowner. All city-registered contractors are required to provide evidence of bonding and insurance, which serves as protection for you as a homeowner before anybody begins work on you property. Bonded roofers have money set aside to compensate customers if any accidents or damages occur



during the roofing project. Having proper insurance protects you from being held personally responsible for paying the costs of damages to your property, an injury on the job, and any subsequent worker's compensation claims. You can obtain your roofing permit online, under our documents tab at morrisil. org or by visiting the building and zoning office in person. If you have any questions regarding home projects or need help verifying your contractor is registered with the City of Morris, please call Building and Zoning Officer Bill Martin at 815-942-1855

FIRE SAFETY TIPS

As we all start the hard and tedious work of spring cleaning, I want you to keep a few things in mind about fire safety and how to protect yourself and your family from potential disaster. I know the list of things to do can be quite extensive this time of year, but I promise, these tasks are simple, easy, and will keep you safe in your home.

Let's start with chimney. As cozy as it is through the winter, come April and May, chances are you'll be less inclined to build a fire in the living room fireplace. As easy as it is to just scoop out the ashes, close it up, and forget about it until November, go ahead and have the chimney inspected as part of your spring cleaning effort. It is recommended that you have your chimney inspected and thoroughly cleaned



Tracey Steffes
Fire Chief/Marshall

at least once a year. Getting it out of the way this time of year means ridding it of buildup that could only cause more damage if it hung around until the fall. Plus, chimney technicians will likely have more flexible schedules in the spring.

Now, lets move to the utility room. Clothes dryers are no stranger to causing household fires. The main culprit in these fires is a failure to keep them clean. Scooping out the lint basket takes all of about 12 seconds, so be sure to clear it before you start the next load. Also, be sure to clean and clear out the vent pipe at least once a year, so you might as well add that to the spring cleaning list too!

I hope you find these tips useful and helpful. The Morris Fire Protection and Ambulance District wishes you a happy and safe spring season.

CHIEF CHAT

Last month, I wrote about it being a great time to be a member of the Morris Police Department. Apparently, I'm not the only person that believes this to be true. After an aggressive, and creative recruitment program that included coordination with Morris Police and City of Morris Administration, we received 82 applicants and recently had 62 of those applicants complete the testing process. In case you were wondering, those are incredible numbers! In a time when the recruitment of new officers has become more difficult, we were able to reach these applicants and show them what makes Morris such a special place to work and live.

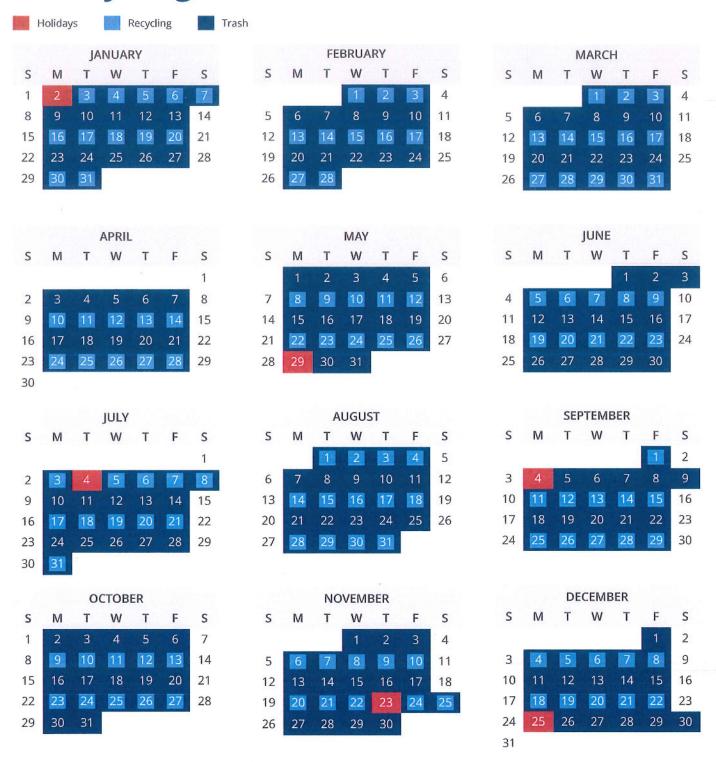


Alicia Steffes
Police Chief

We were so excited and proud to open our doors at City Hall to the applicants and put our city and department on full display. The applicants were able to listen and ask questions of our officers, Mayor Brown, and other city officials that were in attendance. Questions went across the spectrum from work life to home life. Many applicants had questions about training opportunities, special programs for officers, like our K9 and SRO programs, benefits, and we also had questions about work/life balance, local daycare, and school systems. It meant so much to have so many voices in the room to answer these questions and provide the applicants with insight into what it means to be a part of our team.

The display of unity between the police and the administration, and the full support of our city council and our residents, makes Morris the special place that it is for those of us that serve in law enforcement. Thank you to everyone that made this recruitment process the great success that it was and for your continued support of our department that works so hard to keep our community safe. A special thank you to Deputy Chief Paul Burke, Deputy Chief Chad Skelton, Officer Mark Vanderploeg, and Officer Nick Pampinella for spear heading these efforts.

2023 Republic Services Recycling and Waste Collection Calendar



Please call Republic Services at **815.723.3200** or visit **RepublicServices.com** for more information.

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COMMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

City of Morris Applies for Housing Rehabilitation Grant

The City of Morris recently submitted an application to the Illinois Department of Economic Opportunity seeking funds through their Community Development Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation Program. The program targets housing projects which preserve single-family, owner-occupied housing and encourages neighborhood revitalization. The project area is bordered by Illinois 47, Chapin Street, Price Street, and Main Street. Communities applying for funds should be notified about their funding requests by Fall 2023. The city would like to thank the residents in the designated area. Your willingness to fill out the surveys and participate in the public hearings has strengthened our application, and for that, we are grateful for your help.

Summer Courthouse Concert Series Schedule

The Summer Courthouse Concert Series is back for 2023! This year's lineup has some exciting new acts mixed with some of our annual favorites. Performances are held on the Grundy County Courthouse lawn on select Thursdays, and showtimes are 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. In case of inclement weather, performances are moved to the Morris Community High School Auditorium. This year's list of performers and dates are as follows:

June 1st - The Neverly Brothers
American rockabilly & British
invasion rock & roll.

June 15th – Jenna Jane – Singer/songwriter straight from Nashville, TN, the music capital of the world.

June 29th - The Rockin' Fenderskirts Favorite rock & roll oldies.

July 13th - The Sting Rays – 50's, 60's, & 70's rock & roll.

July 27th – River Road Trio – Local acoustic trio featuring Jonelle Carter, Terry Carter, and Kyle Ripsch.

August 10th - South of Disorder- Jimmy Buffet tribute bringing the island vibes.

August 24th – The Del Bergeson Orchestra One of the top big bands in the Chicagoland area.

We look forward to seeing you at the City of Morris Summer Concert Series!

Congratulations to Sergeant Monty Allbert on his recent retirement!

Thank you for 36+ years of service and for representing Morris with honor and integrity!



Congratulations to Dustin Seale on his recent promotion to Sergeant.

Dustin joined the Morris Police Department in December 2008. Thank you for your service and for accepting your new leadership role.



Morris welcomes newest sworn police officer.

Congrats to Officer Tyler Mayerhofer on being sworn in as our newest member of the Morris Police Department. Welcome to the City of Morris Family!



BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SPOTLIGHT

In community development, strong business offerings, relationships built on partnership, and offering that enrich quality of life create an environment where people thrive. In short, success begets success. We are feeling the impact of that strategy in Morris as we celebrate the end of 2022 and look ahead to this year.

Residents and visitors to our community responded to the challenge of "shopping small" and "keeping it local" during the holiday shopping season. Your support resulted in strong fourth quarter sales tax figures and many happy business owners, especially in our Downtown. Holiday events and increased business travel contributed to overnight stays in Morris hotels. Occupancy rates in our city outpaced many other communities of our size. The Hotel and Motel Tax Fund saw an increase of more than 8% year over year through November 2022.

Hotel and Motel Tax dollars are reinvested annual into our community through marketing and initiatives like grants in support of nonprofit organizations. Applications are now available for charitable, educational, and cultural programs and activities that draw visitors to our community and encourage overnight stays in Morris hotels. Grant applications can be found online at https://morrisil.org/hotel-and-motel-tax-fund-request-for-support/.



Events are a key contributor to the vibrancy of our community, and we are pleased to see many returning or expanding

this year. Fforest Fest, Dulcimer Fest, Rhythm and BBQ Fest, and the Morris Beer Fest all return to Goold Park this summer, with the second annual Holiday in the Park closing out the calendar in December. New this year, the City of Morris will partner with the Morris Area Public Library to offer "Movies in the Park" on the fourth Friday of the month from May through September. A mix

of family movies and classics are being carefully selected. Titles and times will be announced on the City of Morris and Visit Morris social media pages.

Downtown will see a full line up of 5ks, shopping events, and familyoriented activities again this year. The Morris Retail Association kicks off their season with the



St. Patrick's Day Parade and Shop Lucky event on March 18th, followed by a Cinco de Mayo-themed Girls Night out on May 5th, and Rock the Block/ Sunday Funday on Liberty Street in June, July, and August. The ever popular Morris Cruise Night returns with a full June through October cruise calendar, with each event to benefit a local charity. For a full list of local special events, check out https://morrisil.org/special-events/.

We invite the business community to participate in sponsoring summer activities in Morris. To receive a sponsor package, contact me at jwilkinson@ morrisil.org or 815-941-3685.

The Business & Community Development Commission has been meeting to think strategically about our local business climate. This seven-person advisory panel appointed by Mayor Brown in the fall of 2022 is working on Downtown streetscape improvements and dialogue with local business leaders among other topics. This includes hosting an early March real estate forum for commercial realtors at City Hall.

Business prospecting remains strong, as the City of Morris team continues to work closely with many local owners and national brands on plans to locate in our community. With strategic and thoughtful planning, we will continue to build on the traits that make Morris so special.



Julie Wilkinson Business Development Director



SHOP, DINE, SUPPORT LOCAL

Look no further than Morris. Check out our extensive business directory!

www.morrisil.org/business-directory



Special Events

Visit us online at **morrisil.org** and follow us on social media to see more info and updates on these and future events!

Every 2nd Saturday (June-October) Morris Cruise Night - Downtown Morris

Every 2nd Saturday (May-November) 3 French Hens Country Market

> Sept. 27th - Oct. 1st Grundy County Corn Festival Locations throughout Morris

March

18th Shop Lucky & St. Patrick's Day Parade

Downtown Morris

April

1st Rough Road 100 Gravel Bike Race Canal Port Park Benefitting We Care of Grundy County

15th Grundy Chamber of Commerce Family Fest

Shabbona School

15th Morris Woman's Club Superhero Run 5K

Downtown Morris

Goold Park

22nd Scout Flea Market True North

Saturdays April-September Morris Farmer's Market - Morris VFW

May

5th Girls Night Out (Cinco de Mayo) Downtown Morris

26th Movie in the Park Goold Park

June

1st Concert on the Courthouse Lawn

Featuring The Neverly Brothers Downtown Morris

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10th Morris Cruise Night Downtown Morris

10-11th Dulcimer Festival Goold Park

15th Concert on the Courthouse Lawn Downtown Morris

Featuring Jenna Jane

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17th Rhythm & BBQ Festival Goold Park

23rd Movie in the Park Goold Park

25th Rock the Block Downtown Morris

29th Concert on the Courthouse Lawn Downtown Morris

Featuring The Rockin' Fenderskirts

fForest Fest





















SOFTBALL GIRLS VARSITY

03/20/2023 4:30 PM Vs Wilmington @Morris 03/21/2023 4:30 PM Vs Joliet Catholic @Joliet Catholic

03/24/2023 4:30 PM Vs Gardner South Wilmington @Morris

03/27/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sandwich @Morris 03/29/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plainfield Central @Morris 04/10/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Morris

04/12/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle Peru @Lasalle Peru

04/13/2023 4:30 PM Vs Manteno @Manteno 04/14/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plano @Morris

04/15/2023 10:00 AM Vs Oswego @Oswego 04/17/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa @Morris

04/18/2023 4:30 PM Vs Newark @Newark 04/19/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore @Morris

04/21/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sandwich @Sandwich 04/22/2023 10:00 AM Vs Streator @Morris

04/24/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Morris

04/26/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Rochelle 04/27/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Kaneland 04/28/2023 4:30 PM Vs Dwight @Dwight

05/01/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle Peru @Morris

05/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plano @Plano 05/04/2023 4:30 PM Vs Braidwood Reed Custer @Morris

05/06/2023 10:00 AM Vs Seneca & Herscher @Seneca

05/08/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa @Ottawa 05/10/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore @Sycamore 05/11/2023 4:30 PM Vs Coal City @Morris 05/13/2023 10:00 AM Vs Beecher @Beecher 05/22/2023 TBD IHSA Regionals

BASEBALL BOYS VARSITY

03/13/2023 4:30 PM Vs Bolingbrook @Morris 03/16/2023 4:30 PM Vs Bradley Bourbonnais @Morris 03/18/2023 11:00 AM Vs Plainfield South @Morris 03/20/2023 4:30 PM Vs Wilmington @Morris 03/21/2023 4:30 PM Vs Minooka @Minooka 03/22/2023 4:30 PM Vs Herscher @Herscher 03/24/2023 4:30 PM Vs Dunlap @Morris 03/29/2023 4:30 PM Vs Newark @Newark 03/31/2023 TBA Jacksonville Jamboree @Jacksonville 04/01/2023 TBA Jacksonville Jamboree @Jacksonville 04/02/2023 TBA Jacksonville Jamboree @Jacksonville 04/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sandwich @Morris 04/05/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sandwich @Sandwich 04/08/2023 11:00 AM Vs Yorkville @Yorkville 04/10/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Kaneland 04/12/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Morris 04/14/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Morris 04/15/2023 10:00 AM Vs Coal City @Coal City 04/17/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Rochelle 04/19/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle Peru @Morris 04/21/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle Peru @Lasalle Peru 04/22/2023 10:00 AM Vs Pontiac @Morris 04/24/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plano @Plano 04/26/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plano @Morris 05/01/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa @Morris 05/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa @Ottawa 05/04/2023 4:30 PM Vs Manteno @Manteno 05/05/2023 4:30 PM Vs Oswego @Morris 05/08/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore @Sycamore 05/10/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore @Morris 05/16/2023 4:30 PM Vs Andrew (Tinley Park) @Morris 05/17/2023 4:30 PM Vs Streator @Streator 05/22/2023 TBA IHSA Regionals

GIRLS SOCCER VARSITY

03/13/2023 4:30 PM Vs Manteno @Morris 03/16/2023 4:30 PM Vs Hinckley Big Rock @Hinckley Big Rock

03/20/2023 4:30 PM Vs Herscher @ Herscher 03/23/2023 4:30 PM Vs Coal City @ Morris 03/25/2023 10:00 AM Vs Lockport @Lockport

03/27/2023 4:30 PM Vs Streator @Morris 03/29/2023 4:30 PM Vs Joliet Catholic @Joliet Catholic

04/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa @Morris 04/05/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle Peru @Morris 04/08/2023 9:00 PM Vs Princeton Invite

@Little Siberia Field 04/10/2023 4:30 PM Vs Plano @Plano 04/12/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Morris 04/17/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Rochelle 04/19/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore

@Sycamore 04/22/2023 10:00 AM Vs Wilmington @ Morris

04/24/2023 5:30 PM Vs Reed Custer @Reed Custer

04/26/2023 4:30 PM Vs Indian Creek @Morris

05/01/2023 4:30 PM

18 Conference Tournament

05/03/2023 4:30 PM

Park Tennis Courts

18 Conference Tournament 05/06/2023 TBA I8 Conference Tournament 05/08/2023 5:00 PM IMSA

03/28/2023 4:00 PM Vs Ottawa @Ottawa

04/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Mendota @Morris

04/04/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle-Peru @Morris 04/05/2023 4:00 PM Vs Minooka @Minooka

04/11/2023 4:30 PM Vs Kaneland @Kaneland

04/12/2023 4:30 PM Vs Pontiac @Pontiac 04/17/2023 5:00 PM Vs IMSA @Washington

04/18/2023 4:30 PM Vs Rochelle @Morris

04/22/2023 9:00 AM Vs Plainfield North

Quad @Plainfield North

04/25/2023 4:30 PM Vs Sycamore @Morris

04/26/2023 4:30 PM Vs Yorkville @Yorkville

05/04/2023 4:30 PM Vs Coal City @Coal City

04/27/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lisle @Morris

04/20/2023 4:00 PM Vs Streator @Streator

05/09/2023 TBA IHSA Regionals

TENNIS BOYS VARSITY

TRACK GIRLS VARSITY

02/23/2023 TBA Vs Olivet Nazarene Indoor Invite @Olivet Nazarene University

03/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Morris Indoor Quad @Lewis University

03/11/2023 10:00 AM Vs Reed Custer Invite @Braidwood

03/18/2023 9:00 AM Vs Burlington Central Indoor Invite @Burlington

03/25/2023 TBA Vs Illinois Top Times Meet @Illinois Wesleyan University

03/27/2023 4:00 PM Vs Seneca Multi-Team Meet @Seneca

04/04/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle-Peru & Sandwich @Sandwich

04/07/2023 5:30 PM Vs Seneca Invitational @Seneca

04/11/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle-Peru & Rochelle @Morris

04/14/2023 4:00 PM Vs Seneca Invitational @Seneca 04/18/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa 6 Kaneland @Morris 04/21/2023 4:00 PM Vs Titanomachy Meet

@El Paso Gridley

04/28/2023 4:30 PM Vs Morris Invitational @Morris 05/04/2023 TBA Vs 18 Conference Meet @Sycamore 05/08/2023 4:30 PM Vs Pontiac 6 Seneca @Morris 05/11/2023 TBA IHSA Sectionals @TBD 05/18/2023 TBA IHSA State

@Eastern Illinois University

05/19/2023 TBA IHSA State

@Eastern Illinois University

TRACK BOYS VARSITY

@Olivet Nazarene University

03/03/2023 4:30 PM Vs Morris Indoor Quad

03/11/2023 10:00 AM Vs Reed Custer Invite

03/16/2023 4:00 PM Vs Pontiac Invite

03/25/2023 TBA Vs Illinois Top Times Meet

03/27/2023 4:00 PM Vs Seneca Multi-Team Meet @Seneca

04/04/2023 4:30 PMVs Lasalle-Peru & Sandwich @Sandwich

04/08/2023 10:00 AM Vs Lasalle Peru Invite @Lasalle Peru - Sports Complex

04/18/2023 4:30 PM Vs Ottawa & Kaneland @Morris

@El Paso Gridley

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02/23/2023 TBA Vs Olivet Nazarene Indoor Invite

@Lewis University

@Braidwood

@Shirk Center - Bloomington

@Illinois Wesleyan University

04/11/2023 4:30 PM Vs Lasalle-Peru & Rochelle

04/14/2023 4:00 PM Vs Seneca Invitational @Seneca 04/21/2023 4:00 PM Vs Titanomachy Meet

IHSA State

05/05/2023 4:30 PM Vs Joliet Catholic Academy @Morris 05/09/2023 4:30 PM Vs St. Bede Academy @Morris 05/11/2023 4:30 PM Vs Princeton @Princeton 05/13/2023 8:00 AM Vs I8 Varsity

Tournament @Lasalle Peru







AROUND THE TOWN

PARK RESERVATIONS OPEN APRIL 3RD

You can start reserving City of Morris park shelters for private use on Monday, April 3, 2023! Reservations are accepted on a first come, first served basis. Shelters are available from May 1, 2023 through October 15, 2023. Fees are \$25 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. You can find a complete set of park reservation rules under the "How Do I?" tab at



morrisil.org. Applications are available at the City Clerk's window in the Morris Municipal Services Building or online under the "Documents" tab at morrisil.org

MOVIES IN THE PARK COMING TO MORRIS



The City of Morris is happy and excited to announce something fun and new to our list of summer events! With the help of the Morris Area Public Library, we will be offering free movie nights at the bandshell in Lower Goold Park on the fourth Friday of every month from May through September. This will be a fun experience for the entire family. We look forward to releasing more details and a complete list of movies to be viewed in the near future.

CITY RECEIVES \$2 MILLION FOR NEW WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

The City of Morris announced they will be receiving \$2 million in federal funding as part of the recently approved \$1.7 trillion federal spending package. The city plans to construct a new water treatment facility, which will help to accommodate and serve residents and businesses to the east and north. These funds will be used towards the construction of the new facility. Funds will be delivered in 2024 and no timetable has been set for the construction of the additional treatment plant.



Service Anniversaries

Chad Skelton

Morris Police Department

25 years

Scott Ator

Morris Police Department

25 years

Paul Burke

Morris Police Department

15 years

Alec Matteson

Public Works

5 years

Trevor Zink

Public Works

5 years



"There's More to Morris"

MORRIS

The City of Morris would like to thank the following businesses for sponsoring our Winter Events schedule which included Home for the Holidays, the Inaugural Holiday in the Park, and the Morris Ice Rink. Your support makes these wonderful events and amenities possible in our community. Thank you!











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CHAMLIN & ASSOCIATES

CLAYTON'S TAP CLAYTON'S RAIL

COUNTRY FINANCIAL MATT SEIDEL & JOHN MUELLER

COUNTY SEAT

HANDCRAFTED BARBER

MCCULLOUGH IMPLEMENT COMPANY

MONTAGE

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

MORRIS CHIEFS

MORRIS CHOP SHOP

MORRIS YMCA

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