

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MORRIS CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Morris City Council was called to order by Mayor Chris Brown, on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers. Present were:

Alderman Sarah Mettille
Alderman Jim Black
Alderman Dean Tambling
Alderman Alex Clubb

Alderman Jake Duvick
Alderman Herb Wyeth
Alderman Julian Houston
Alderman Carrie Hall

**APPROVE MINUTES-
LAST MEETING** It was moved by Alderman Wyeth and seconded by Alderman Black, the reading of minutes of November 4, 2024, meeting be dispensed with and approved as written. This motion was carried by a unanimous voice vote.

**APPROVE LIST OF
BILLS FOR
NOVEMBER 18,
2024** It was moved by Alderman Black 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 Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille, and Wyeth
Nays: None

**APPROVE LIST OF
BILLS NOVEMBER
18, 2024, TIF I ONLY** It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Duvick, the TIF I 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 Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille and Wyeth
Nays: None
Abstain: Alderman Tambling

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

Aldermen Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille and Wyeth
Nays: None

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

Ayes: Aldermen Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille and Wyeth
Nays: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Alicia Steffes introduced, and Mayor swore in the two newest promoted Sergeants, Curtis Kneller, and Caleb Mitchell. The last week for yard waste pick up is on normal garbage pick-up day the week of Monday, November 25, 2024, through Saturday, November 30, 2024. City offices will be closed Thursday, November 28, 2024, and Friday, November 29, 2024, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Experience the Magic of Christmas in Morris during Home for the Holidays. Events run from Friday, November 29, 2024, through Sunday, December 1, 2024. Don't miss the 19th Annual Lighted Holiday Parade as Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive in Morris, followed by the lighting of Chapin Park. Make sure to get your tickets for the House Walk on Saturday, November 30, 2024. The weekend offers a variety of events for all ages! Saturday, November 30, 2024, is Small Business Saturday. Our downtown shops offer something for everyone.

**FINANCE &
ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Black that committee recommendation that council adopt the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Audit. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille, and Wyeth
Nays: None

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Wyeth that committee recommendation that council adopt **Ordinance #4652** Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the Option and Lease Agreement between Tillman Infrastructure LLC, and the City of Morris. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille and Wyeth
Nays: None

It was moved by Alderman Duvick and seconded by Alderman Houston that committee recommendation that council approve the proposal from Joliet Electric Motors for a new motor at the Water Treatment Plant. This motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Tambling, Black, Clubb, Hall, Houston, Duvick, Mettille and Wyeth
Nays: None

**JUDICIARY &
LICENSE
COMMITTEE**

Alderman Tambling reported the following approved business license; Joseph LaPorte, dba Joe's Powersports, Inc., 707 Liberty Street to operate a powersports parts/gear/accessories business, Jessica Farris, DVM, HVP of Illinois, PC, dba Animal Care Hospital of Morris, 1410 Liberty Street, to operate a veterinary services business, Muhammad Akhtar, Division Morris LLC, dba Brake Time, 2000 N. Divisions Street, to operate a retail business, Jawaid Bashir, Commercial Morris LLC, dba Brake Time, 150 W. Commercial Drive, to operate a retail business, and Joseph Phillips, dba Gore Road Retail, LLC, 50 E. Gore Road, to operate a retail cannabis business.

**STREETS & ALLEY
COMMITTEE**

Alderman Hall reported that the 2024 Street Maintenance Program has been completed, and 1600 SF of sidewalk repair completed.

ZBA

There will not be a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on November 20, 2024.

**PLANNING
COMMISSION**

There will be a Planning Commission meeting, November 20, 2024, at 5:30pm.

**BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

There will not be a Business Development Committee meeting in November.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Alderman Houston and seconded by Alderman Wyeth; the meeting be adjourned at 6:18pm. This motion was carried out by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned until December 2, 2024, at 6pm.

ATTEST: 
CITY CLERK