August 22, 2022 Morton City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Dan Mortensen Councilman Richard Vanderlip Councilmember Caro Johnson Councilman Travis Cooper Councilman Kevin Dunlap Councilman Bob Boyer

7:00 pm - Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Mortensen

Consent Agenda vouchers and EFTs from July 25, 2022 passed. (Motion by Kevin, 2nd Travis, all in favor)

Public comment: None

Mayor asked to amend the agenda add #10 Morton UP Contract and #11 Chief Morningstar has authority to change police policy to conform to state laws. (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)

New business:

- Council approved Resolution 524 replacing Resolution 446 Travel Policy (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Dunlap, all in favor)
- Council approved Resolution 525 establishing policy for credit cards and charge accounts (Motion by Councilwoman Johnson, 2nd councilman Boyer, all in favor)
- Resolution 526 partnership city and historical society for tourism, councilwoman Johnson made a motion to table until next meeting so East Lewis County Chamber could make a presentation to vie for visitor center. (Motion 2nd by councilman Boyer, councilman Dunlap yes, councilmen Vanderlip and councilman Cooper - NO
- Council approved Resolution 527 handling of citizen complaints (motion councilman Dunlap, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)
- Devin Jackson from Jackson Civil Engineering gave a brief description of the comprehensive plan.
 Councilman Vanderlip questioned if the parks were part of the plan. Council approved submitting the comprehensive plan to Dept. of Commerce (Motion by councilwoman Johnson, 2nd councilman Vanderlip, all in favor)
- Council approved request from Freedom Environmental regarding hourly rate increase (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)
- Regarding citizen complaint on Bingaman Dr., Judy Ramsey asked status on repaving Bingaman Dr. as it was paved prior to the city putting in new sewer lines. Ms. Ramsey suggested council members drive down alleys to see how bad they are. City will re-pave as funds and time become available.
- Council approved WWTF Improvements Progress Estimate No. 16 (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Dunlap, all in favor)
- Councilman Vanderlip gave a brief description regarding Ordinance 2022-02 beekeeping. Council
 approved Ordinance 2022-02 new section 6.16 beekeeping (Motion by councilman Dunlap, 2nd
 councilman Cooper, all in favor)

- Council signing new contract with county for the Morton UP program (Motion councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)
- Council passed a motion stating Chief Morningstar has the authority to change police policy to conform to state law. (Motion councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Dunlap, all in favor)

Old Business:

- Council agreed to table Main Ave. Sidewalk Changer order no. 1 pending Anders further review.
- Council agreed to again table Interlocal agreement for law enforcement between Pe Ell and City of Morton pending further review.

Public Participation:

- Citizen (name not given) stated she like the potholes on 3rd street made people slow down.
- Chief Morningstar stated Jubilee weekend had no problems.
- Motion to adjourn by councilman Dunlap, 2nd by councilman Vanderlip, all in favor)

Adjourn 7:45 pm Respectfully, LuAnn Ward, City Clerk

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Dan Mortensen, Mayor