

October 23, 2023
Morton City Council Regular Meeting

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

7:00 pm – Public Hearing

- 1) SEPA and Re-zone 120 Lester Dr. R1 to C1. Received last minute letter from county stating classified as spot zoning and is illegal in state of WA.
- 2) Ordinance 2023-06 first reading 2024 budget – No comments

7:09 pm - Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Mortensen

Mayor requested amend agenda to add #5, first reading proposed 2024 budget (Motion by councilwoman Johnson, 2nd councilman Dunlap, all in favor)

Motion to excuse councilman Vanderlip and councilman Boyers' absence (Motion by councilman Dunlap, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)

Consent Agenda vouchers and EFTs from September 25, 2023 passed. (Motion by councilman Dunlap, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)

Public comment:

None

New business:

- Sepa and re-zone tabled requestor will change zoning (Motion by councilman Dunlap, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)
- Fred Schwindt gave a presentation on what Fire Mt. Arts has accomplished and requested lodging tax \$2559.00
- Mayor explained the possibility for a TIB grant with city match 5%.
- Council approved the 1st reading of the 2024 budget (Motion by councilwoman Johnson, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)

Old Business:

Council approved contract between Lewis County and City of Morton for Afterschool Program (Motion councilwoman Johson, 2nd councilman Dunlap, all in favor.

Public Participation:

Concerned citizen asked about speed on Davis Lake Rd. and was advised this is a county road the city does not patrol.

Mayor explained how minutes are done, city hiring process and dispelled rumors regarding moratorium on short term housing and explained process when we switch to well.

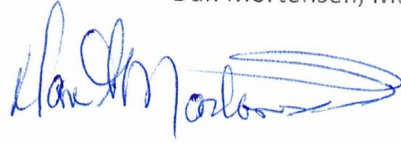
Motion to adjourn by councilman Cooper 2nd by councilman Dunlap, all in favor

Adjourn 7:55 pm

Respectfully, LuAnn Ward, City Clerk

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Dan Mortensen, Mayor

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