

December 29, 2025
Morton City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Rick Mead
Councilman Jason Sawyer
Councilman Bob Boyer
Councilman Richard Vanderlip
Councilman Travis Cooper

7:00 pm – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Mead

Motion made by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Sawyer, all in favor to amend agenda and add
New Business # 7 – Swearing in of new officers

Consent Agenda minutes, vouchers and EFTs from November 24, 2025 (Motion by councilman Sawyer,
2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)

Public comment:

None

New business:

- Council approved agreement and conditions relating to appointment of public defender (Motion by councilman Sawyer, 2nd councilman Vanderlip, all in favor)
- Council approved new CBA 2026 – 2028 for noncommissioned and commissioned employees (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Sawyer, all in favor)
- Councilman approved Resolution 557 to increase property tax (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2nd councilman Cooper, all in favor)
- Dan Mortensen asked council to pass a resolution sanctioning councilman Sawyer from voting on tourism dollars, as in a previous meeting councilman Sawyer stated Historical Society should consider removing Dan from his position before he felt comfortable giving them tourism money. Council did not take any action.
- Jerry Wallin asked if the city would remove the light in front of 141 Front Avenue, as it shines directly into his home. Council requested comments from his neighbors before they take any action.
- Ronda Cornwell from E. Lewis County Chamber of Commerce requested \$11,000 in tourism money. Brochures were passed out to council showing upcoming events.
- New council members sworn in.

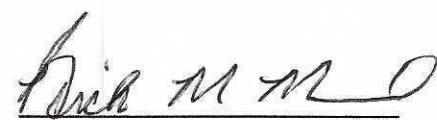
Old Business:

None

Public Participation:

Adjourn 8:15 pm


Respectfully, LuAnn Ward, City Clerk


Ricky Mead, Mayor