

February 23, 2026
Morton City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Rick Mead - ABSENT
Councilman Jason Sawyer
Councilwoman Maria Gonzalez
Councilman Peter Hansen
Councilman Jeff Johnson
Councilman Jason Knutson

7:00 pm – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor pro-tem Jeff Johnson

Consent Agenda minutes, vouchers and EFTs from January 26, 2026 (Motion by councilwoman Gonzalez, 2nd councilman Knudsen, all in favor)

Public comment:

Citizen Kelly asked how the city decides on how to spend lodging tax dollars.

Citizen Royle stated how much the city admin in city hall appreciates the Historical Society as the visitor center, helps take work off city employees.

Rhonda stated ELC Chamber is withdrawing their request for lodging taxes but would like help with garbage cost.

Citizens Jordan and Megan express concerns about city cell phones.

New business:

- NONE

Old Business:

Council agreed to July 4th picnic at Jubilee Park pending ELC/American Legion get the requested insurance (Motion by councilwoman Gonzalez, 2nd councilman Hansen, all in favor)

Ed Smith – no show

Council made a motion to not have city issued cell phones for council (Motion by councilwoman Gonzalez, 2nd councilman Hansen, yes vote councilman Johnson, with councilmen Sawyer and Knudsen voting no)


Council agreed to table disbursement of tourism dollars (Motion by councilman Sawyer, 2nd councilwoman Gonzalez, councilman Knudsen -yes, councilmen Hansen and Johnson – no)

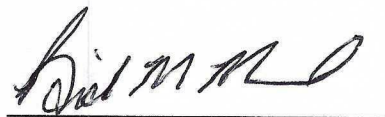
Public Participation:

Citizen John questioned councils' choice of mayor pro-tem.

Citizen Sara suggested recording meetings

Adjourn 8:00 pm


Respectfully, LuAnn Ward, City Clerk


Ricky Mead, Mayor