February 24, 2025 Morton City Council Regular Meeting Mayor Rick Mead Councilman Jason Sawyer

Councilman Bob Boyer

Councilman Richard Vanderlip

Councilman Travis Cooper Councilwoman Caro Johnson

6:35 pm - PUBLIC HEARING 1. Re-zone 601, 611, 621, 631, 641, 651 Westlake Ave.

7:07 pm - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Mead

Motion made by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor to excuse councilman Sawyer

Council took a 5-minute break for Executive Session

Motion made by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilman Cooper, all in favor to amend agenda and add

New Business #7 - Insurance to agenda Consent Agenda vouchers and EFTs from January 27, 2025 passed. (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)

Public comment:

A citizen expressed her concern regarding a raise for police file clerk as she feels she hasn't done her job in getting her public records and she isn't very professional.

New business:

Council approved the re-zoning of properties 601, 611, 621, 631, 641 and 651 Westlake Ave.

Council approved to surplus TB180FR Excavator (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilman Cooper, all in favor) Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilman Vanderlip, all in favor)

Council approved Resolution 539 updating procurement policy. (Motion by councilwoman

from C1 to RM. (Motion by councilwoman Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilman, Boyer, all in favor)

Council tabled the distribution of tourism funds for Fire MT. Arts and Morton Historical Society until pending end of year reporting documents presented to City of Morton. (Motion councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilman Cooper, all in favor)

Council approved a \$2.00 per hour pay raise for the police file clerk part-time position (Motion

councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor) Mayor Mead asked for council approval to have an attorney look at the insurance denial letter and policy. (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)

Old Business: Council made a motion to accept street lights pending Mayor Mead confirm with the city treasurer that the funds are available in the existing budget (Motion by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor)

American Legion asking for a place they can hold their meetings. Council was asked to think about ways to improve profit at the Lyle Building.

Citizens continued to complain about the roads, dirt and tar balls and damage to vehicles.

Motion to adjourn by councilman Vanderlip, 2<sup>nd</sup> councilwoman Johnson, all in favor.

**Public Participation:** 

Adjourn 8:05 pm

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