

**MORAVIA CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020**

A special meeting of the Moravia City Council was called to order by Mayor Roy Miller at 4:30 PM on Thursday, January 30, 2020, at Moravia City Hall. In addition to Mayor Miller, those present were Councilpersons Ken Martin, John Baty (arrived at 4:47 PM), George Bob Robinson, Don Havard, and Sheila Kirby. Sharla Stogdill was also present. The meeting opened with a prayer by Ken Martin and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Robinson and seconded by Havard to approve the agenda. Roll Call Vote: Martin-Aye, Baty-Absent, Robinson-Aye, Havard-Aye, Kirby-Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Havard and seconded by Robinson to approve the alcohol license renewal for Fat Annie's. Roll Call Vote: Martin-Aye, Baty-Absent, Robinson-Aye, Havard-Aye, Kirby-Aye. Motion carried.

Moravia Fire Department by-laws were reviewed and discussed. Councilman Robinson did not agree with the removal of the requirement for the fire chief to live within a three mile radius of the fire department. Motion by Kirby and seconded by Martin to approve the fire department by-laws. Roll Call Vote: Martin-Aye, Baty-Absent, Robinson-Nay, Havard-Aye, Kirby-Aye. Motion carried.

City Clerk Sharla Stogdill reviewed the second draft of the city budget for fiscal year 2020/2021 with the council. Changes made to the first draft of the budget at the special meeting on January 23, 2020 were discussed and additional changes were made. Proposed tax rate would decrease taxes by \$0.50352 per \$1000 assessed value. Motion by Baty and seconded by Robinson to give \$1/hour pay increases to all hourly employees across the board. Roll Call Vote: Martin-Aye, Baty-Aye, Robinson-Aye, Havard-Aye, Kirby-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Baty and seconded by Kirby to have public hearing for proposed maximum property tax levy at a special meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 5:00 PM at Moravia City Hall. Roll Call Vote: Martin-Aye, Baty-Aye, Robinson-Aye, Havard-Aye, Kirby-Aye. Motion carried.

Council Discussion Items – Councilman Havard stated a good job had been done hauling away snow. He said Jason said we were almost out of sand. Council authorizes Jason to order sand as needed when it starts to get low. Don and Mayor Miller inspected the basement of the community building. Longer eaves spouts or pipes need to be installed to get water away from the building and dirt put around the foundation. Councilman Robinson reported Alliant Energy had dumped wood grindings at the cemetery and got stuck. He and Mayor Miller told Alliant they had to fix the ruts, clean it up and not to dump wood grindings there again. The alley behind Spencer's was discussed. It has been scraped and will need a lot of rock. Council wants rock put on it now and leveled so it will drain. The lot south of City Hall that is being used by Alliant Energy was discussed. Alliant offered to put a load of rock on the lot and Council agrees for them to put the rock wherever they need it.

Mayor Info and Discussion Items – Mayor Miller discussed city hall hours with the Council stating we remain open during lunch and take care of customers. It is rare to have an uninterrupted lunch. Council agreed by consensus to close at 4:00 PM instead of 4:30 PM. The owner of the burnt trailer at 107 West Charles had until January 30 to clean up the property. Progress has been made and the Council acknowledges the weather has made it difficult to clean up so an additional thirty days has been allotted to finish cleaning up the property.

Motion by Havard and seconded by Kirby to adjourn at 5:30 PM. All Ayes. Motion carried.

/s/ Roy Miller, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Sharla Stogdill, City Clerk/Treasurer