

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 P.M., FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll, with the following members present: Belsley, Heer, Newman, Parrott – 4.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – None.

**PRESENTATIONS** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

President Kaufman praised the students and staff at Morton Jr. High School on their production of The Beauty And The Beast play.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes.
  - 1. Regular Meeting – January 15, 2018
- B. Approval of Bills

Trustee Parrott moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Newman, Parrott – 4.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier, Leman – 2.

Trustee Leman arrived at 7:05pm, just after the consent agenda was approved.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT**

President Kaufman requested approval of the appointment of Ken Helmuth to the Morton Police and Fire Commission for a three year term. He has lived in Morton for 30+ years, has two adult children, was employed by Caterpillar as an attorney specializing in employment law, commercial transactions, and immigration law and has been retired for 5 years. He has worked on Berean Ministries and Faith Hope and Love and said he had been looking for an opportunity to serve. Trustee Belsley moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Newman and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

President Kaufman then presented Ordinance 17-35, an Ordinance amending Section 3-8-6 of the Morton Municipal Code regarding the number of liquor licenses. He noted that this is for the Unum wine and whiskey bar located in the Jefferson Building and is for a full license because of the whiskey. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

President Kaufman then announced the resignation of Laura Elam from the Plan Commission effective February 2. He noted that he will have a gentleman for approval for replacement at the next meeting. He thanked Laura for her 10 years of service.

## **CHIEF OF POLICE**

Chief Hilliard presented the 2017 vehicle mileage for each vehicle in the Police Department fleet. He then noted that they are in the process of purchasing 2 police vehicles that will be replacing a 1984 Chevy van used for animal control (trade), and a 2009 Chevy Impala which they are giving to the fire department to replace their 2004 Impala that formerly was a part of the police fleet as well. He originally had on the agenda the approval of the purchase but are still waiting for Ford to present the state bid on it and it could be 2-4 weeks.

Chief Hilliard then presented an Intergovernmental Agreement regarding initial funding of TC3 and PSAP consolidation. He noted that this is concerning getting start-up funds from the entities involved in the consolidation. They hired a consultant to assist with the hiring of dispatchers and a director. The agreement is for all the signatories to contribute \$25,000 to the fund started. The \$25,000 will count towards the budgetary agreement for the whole project. Pekin, East Peoria, Washington, Morton, Tazewell County, and ETSB are included in the contribution agreement. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

## **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

DPW Loudermilk presented Ordinance 17-34, an Ordinance amending Title 1 Chapter 24 of the Morton Municipal Code to provide minimum insurance standards for village contractors. He noted that he has worked with Attorney McGrath in getting this put together in time before construction season starts. Trustee Belsley noted that it had good requirements for subcontractors as well. DPW Loudermilk noted that they worked with Kuhl Insurance to come up with the requirements. Trustee Parrott moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leman and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

## **PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICER**

PZO Spangler presented Ordinance 17-36, an Ordinance annexing a tract of land (Oak Lawn Mobile Estates). He noted the intention is for the owners of Oak Lawn to include it when they close on a sale of ground. It came with a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission to approve. Trustee Heer moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leman and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

PZO Spangler then presented Ordinance 17-37, an Ordinance making amendments regarding murals to Section 10-9-8 of the Morton Municipal Code. He noted that this was an Ordinance to allow and regulate outdoor murals and came with a recommendation not to approve from the Plan Commission. There was considerable discussion about the Ordinance and the general consensus was not to approve it at this time, but to have the village staff and Plan Commission research how other area communities that have murals regulate them and then depending on the

findings come back with a revised Ordinance, especially since their isn't substantial interest in putting up murals currently, other than Old School Arts in Morton, who started the process of drafting the Ordinance when they had contacted the Morton Chamber of Commerce who in turn brought it to the Plan Commission. Trustee Parrott moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Newman and was not approved after the following roll call vote:

Yes: None.

No: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.

Absent: Blunier – 1.

PZO Spangler then presented Ordinance 17-38, an Ordinance making amendments regarding solar energy systems to Chapter 4 of Title 10 of the Morton Municipal Code. Attorney McGrath gave an overview of the Ordinance, which sets out many provisions regarding the regulation of solar energy systems in Morton. There was considerable discussion as well as a number of small changes and typographical amendments to the Ordinance, a final version which can be provided upon request at the Village office and will be incorporated into the Morton Municipal Code under Section 10-4-18. It came with a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission to approve. Trustee Newman moved to approve the amended Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.

No: None.

Absent: Blunier – 1.

PZO Spangler then presented the preliminary and final plats for the Sara Grimm subdivision. He noted it was formally 320 S. Main and they are taking that building and the adjacent parking lot and creating 3 parcels. It came with a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission to approve. Trustee Leman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.

No: None.

Absent: Blunier – 1.

PZO Spangler then presented the preliminary and final plats for the Corey subdivision. He noted it is located off of Tennessee Ave. just before the overpass to the east of the soccer fields and consists of approximately 35 acres. It came with a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission to approve. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Heer and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.

No: None.

Absent: Blunier – 1.

## **VILLAGE TRUSTEES**

BELSLEY – Nothing to report.

LEMAN – Nothing to report.

HEER – Nothing to report.

NEWMAN – Nothing to report.

PARROTT – Nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

With no action expected to be taken following the Executive Session for the purposes of discussing collective negotiating matters between the Village and its employees or their representatives, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), Trustee Heer moved to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:45 pm. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Belsley, Heer, Leman, Newman, Parrott – 5.  
No: None.  
Absent: Blunier – 1.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon returning from Executive Session at 8:25pm, the Clerk determined the same members present. With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Heer moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Newman and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

ATTEST:

  
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VILLAGE CLERK

  
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PRESIDENT

