

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MORTON, ILLINOIS**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023**  
**FREEDOM HALL, 349 W. BIRCHWOOD, MORTON, ILLINOIS**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
- IV. PUBLIC HEARING**
- V. PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL REPORTS**
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**
  - A. Public Comments
  - B. Requests for Removal of Items from the Consent Agenda
- VII. CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. Approval of Minutes
    - 1. Regular Meeting – January 3, 2022
    - 2. Closed Session – January 3, 2022
  - B. Approval of Bills
- VIII. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**
- IX. VILLAGE PRESIDENT**
- X. VILLAGE CLERK**
- XI. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**
  - A. Morton Fall 2022 Tourism Grant Round Recommendations
- XII. CHIEF OF POLICE**
- XIII. CORPORATION COUNSEL**
- XIV. DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**
- XV. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**
  - A. RESOLUTION APPROVING EASEMENT WITH PRECISION PLANTING, INC.
  - B. Annual Fuel Bid
- XVI. ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**
- XVII. VILLAGE TRUSTEES**
  - A. Trustee Blunier
  - B. Trustee Hilliard
  - C. Trustee Leitch – Review of Morton Fire Department Equipment Replacement Schedule
    - AN ORDINANCE MAKING AMENDMENTS TO MULTIPLE SECTIONS OF 5-1 OF THE MORTON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING VOLUNTARY FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICER AND RETIREE COMPENSATION
  - D. Trustee Menold
  - E. Trustee Newman
  - F. Trustee Parrott
- XVIII. CLOSED SESSIONS**
- XIX. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSIONS**
- XXIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 P.M., January 3, 2023**

After calling the meeting to order, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited before Clerk Evans called the roll, finding the following members present: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – None.

**PRESENTATIONS** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes.
  - 1. Regular Meeting – December 19, 2022
  - 2. Closed Session – December 19, 2022
- B. Approval of Bills

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

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT** – None.

**VILLAGE CLERK** – None.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR** – Administrator Smick presented the 2022 Receipts for Sales Tax document and noted that sales tax had increased by \$214,000.00 compared to last year. Some general discussion was had following Administrator Smick's explanation of the document.

**CHIEF OF POLICE** – None.

**CORPORATION COUNSEL** – None.

**DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES** – None.

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS** – DPW Loudermilk requested approval of MFT Resolution for 2023 Sealcoating Work. Trustee Newman moved to approve the Resolution and it was seconded by Trustee Parrott before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** – ZCO Marks presented the 2022 Annual Recap of Building Permits document that gave data over a 5 year period. There was some light discussion following presentation of the document.

ZCO Marks presented Petition No. 22-08 ZA noting that it was not favorably recommended by the Plan Commission. Trustee Newman moved to approve the Petition and it was seconded by Trustee Hilliard. The Petition failed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: None – 0.  
No: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

ZCO Marks then presented Petition No. 22-09 SP noting that it was favorably recommended by the Plan Commission. Trustee Newman moved to approve and amend the Petition to require all Arborvitae at a minimum height of 4'. It was seconded by Trustee Hilliard before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

Finally, ZCO Marks presented an Ordinance making amendments to Title 10 of the Morton Municipal Code regarding Dance, Music and Art Studios in the B-2 Zoning District that originated with the Plan Commission. Trustee Parrott moved to adopt the Ordinance and it was seconded by Trustee Newman. There was significant discussion, with Trustee Menold and Trustee Newman speaking in favor of the Ordinance and Trustee Hilliard also providing his thoughts before the motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Menold, Newman, Parrott – 3.  
No: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Kaufman – 4.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**VILLAGE TRUSTEES**

Trustee Blunier – None.  
Trustee Hilliard – None.  
Trustee Leitch – None.  
Trustee Menold – None.  
Trustee Newman – None.  
Trustee Parrott – None.

**CLOSED SESSIONS** – Trustee Newman moved to enter into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) to discuss salary schedules for one ore more classes of employees. Trustee Parrott seconded the motion before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSIONS** – None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Hilliard moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and followed by unanimous voice vote of all present board members.

ATTEST:

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PRESIDENT

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VILLAGE CLERK



# Memo

**To:** President & Board of Trustees

**From:** Julie Smick

**Date:** December 27, 2022

**Re:** Morton Fall 2022 Tourism Grant Round Recommendations

The Tourism Grant applications received for the Fall grant round have been reviewed.

There are two types of grants an organization can apply for:

- **Community Grant** is capped at \$3,000 and is for events which bring people into town and gain recognition for the community. These do not generate a lot of overnight hotel stays but do increase restaurant traffic, educational opportunities and improve the quality of life for residents.
- **Overnight Grant** is capped at \$10,000. The Overnight Grant requires at least 50 overnight hotel stays. These events normally provide greater economic benefits to the community and provide a higher level of non-economic benefits for the community and its visitors.

*The Village will continue its practice of paying out the approved grant amount one month prior to the event, following confirmation from the organization.*

Below are the recommended grant awards.

Event	Hosting Organization	Requested Grant Amount	Recommended Grant Amount	Comments
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Tournament	Blessed Sacrament	\$3,000	\$3,000	None
Volleyrama	Blessed Sacrament	\$3,000	\$3,000	None
Girls Basketball Tournament	Morton High School Athletics	\$6,000	\$5,500	Lower number of overnight stays
Schnarr Wrestling Invitational	Morton High School Athletics	\$6,000	\$6,000	None
Boys Soccer Tournament	Morton High School Athletics	\$7,500	\$7,500	None
Boys Basketball Shootout	Morton High School Athletics	\$3,500	\$1,000	Maximum one organization can receive is \$20,000 for overnight events
Morton United FC Spring Cup	Morton United FC	\$10,000	\$10,000	None
Smalltown Pastors Conference	Rural Home Ministry Assoc.	\$10,000	\$10,000	None

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-23

**RESOLUTION APPROVING EASEMENT WITH PRECISION PLANTING, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Morton has requested that the Precision Planting, Inc. execute a permanent gas regulator station easement over certain property owned by the Precision Planting, Inc. and legally described in the attached easement; and

**WHEREAS**, Precision Planting, Inc. is willing to grant the Village of Morton said permanent easement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MORTON**, Tazewell County, Illinois, as follows:

1. The easement in the form as attached to this agreement as Exhibit A is approved; and
2. The President of the Board of Trustees is authorized to execute the easement on behalf of the Village.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton, Tazewell County, Illinois, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**President**

**ATTEST:**

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**Village Clerk**



THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY  
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RETURN DOCUMENT TO:  
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**PERMANENT EASEMENT**

For Recorder Use Only

PRECISION PLANTING, INC, an Illinois corporation, hereinafter "GRANTOR" for and in consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, including but not limited to, the undertakings agreed to by the parties that are set forth herein, hereby GRANTS and CONVEYS to the VILLAGE OF MORTON, an Illinois municipality, in the County of Tazewell and State of Illinois, hereinafter "GRANTEE", a permanent easement. This Easement is subject to the following terms and conditions:

A. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF EASEMENT: This Easement is described as follows:

**See Attached Exhibit A**

AFFIX TRANSFER TAX STAMP OR Exempt under  
provisions of 35 ILCS 205/31-45(b)

DATE Buyer, Seller Representative

B. PURPOSE OF EASEMENT: This Easement is for the installation, maintenance, construction and repair of a natural gas regulator station.

C. RIGHTS CONVEYED TO GRANTEE: The right of ingress and egress over the land of the GRANTOR, as described in Paragraph A, for the purpose of installing a natural gas regulator station is hereby granted by the GRANTOR to the GRANTEE. The GRANTEE, its successors and assigns, its agents, contractors and employees, with or without tools, machinery and equipment, are hereby given the right to dig, excavate, fill, install, repair, replace, construct, maintain, clean, and inspect as to such water main, to enter upon the premises, with or without tools, machinery and equipment, for such purposes. It is expressly understood and agreed that no buildings or other structures shall be placed on the property described within this Easement without the written consent



of the GRANTOR and GRANTEE or its successors and assigns being first recorded in the Recorder's Office of Tazewell County, Illinois.

D. OBLIGATION OF THE GRANTEE: Upon completion of any digging, excavation, installation, repair, replacement, construction, maintenance, cleaning, and inspection, the GRANTEE shall restore the surface of the land to the extent reasonably possible to a presentable condition and any such installation and construction shall be in such a manner as not to detract upon completion from the value of the adjoining real estate of the GRANTOR, their successors and assigns.

E. BINDING EFFECT: This Agreement is binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, successors and assigns. The GRANTEE has accepted this Easement pursuant to authority granted by the Board of Trustees to the President and Clerk of the Village of Morton to execute its acceptance. It is expressly understood that the easement that is provided for herein is permanent, perpetual, and shall run with the land.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said GRANTOR has signed, sealed and delivered this Easement this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and thereafter the GRANTEE, Village of Morton, has accepted this Easement.

GRANTOR:

Precision Planting, Inc.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENT

The Village of Morton\_ hereby accepts the foregoing Easement pursuant to authority granted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_. The President and Clerk of the Village of Morton have executed the acceptance of this Easement pursuant to authority granted to them by the Board of Trustees at the foregoing meeting.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

ATTESTED TO:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village Clerk

### **EXHIBIT A**

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Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Lot 2, said point also being the point of beginning of the easement to be described;

From the point of beginning; thence North 01 degrees 12 minutes 21 seconds West, (Bearings are based on State plane coordinates, West zone, NAD 1983), along the West line of said Lot 2, a distance of 10.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 42 minutes 43 seconds East, a distance of 12.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 12 minutes 21 seconds East, a distance of 10.00 feet, to a point on the South line of said Lot 2; thence South 88 degrees 42 minutes 43 seconds West, along said South line, a distance of 12.00 feet, to the point of beginning, Subject to any easements, restrictions and right-of-way of record.

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TO BE FILED WITH THE TAZEWELL COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS  
**AFFIDAVIT FOR PURPOSE OF ILLINOIS PLAT ACT REQUIREMENTS**

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(Zoning & Subdivision Ordinances May Also Apply)

PARCEL NUMBERS: 06-06-19-200-021

Grantor or Grantor's Attorney authorized representative in a deed transferring interest in the real estate described in the accompanying deed and further states this transfer IS EXEMPT FROM THE ILLINOIS PLAT ACT (765 ILCS 205) BECAUSE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ☒ NOT A DIVISION OF LAND – PARCEL BOUNDARIES REMAIN UNCHANGED (The Recorder will proceed with recording the deed and no further questions apply. County Plat Officer signature is NOT required. Please sign below and have notarized)
- ☐ A DIVISION OF LAND THAT MEETS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS – APPROVAL BY COUNTY PLAT OFFICER (OR DESIGNEE) IS REQUIRED ALONG WITH APPLICABLE FEE PRIOR TO RECORDING:
- ☐ The divisions or subdivision of land into parcels or tracts of 5 acres or more in size which **does not involve any new streets or easements of access.**
  - ☐ The division of lots or blocks of less than 1 acre in any recorded subdivision which **does not involve any new streets or easements of access.**
  - ☐ The sale or exchange of parcels of land between owners of adjoining and contiguous land.
  - ☐ The conveyance of parcels of land or interest therein for use as a right of way for railroads or other public utility facilities and other pipe lines which **does not involve any new streets or easements of access.**
  - ☐ The conveyance of land for highway or other public purposes or grants or conveyances relating to the dedication of land for public use or instruments relating to the vacation of land impressed with a public use.
  - ☐ Conveyances made to correct descriptions in prior conveyances.
  - ☐ The sale or exchange of parcels or tracts of land following the division into no more than 2 parts of a particular parcel or tract of land existing on July 17, 1959 and **not involving any new streets or easements of access.**
  - ☐ The sale of a single lot of less than 5 acres from a larger tract when a survey is made by an Illinois Registered Land Surveyor; provided that this exemption shall not apply to the sale of any subsequent lots from the same larger tract of land, as determined by the dimensions and configuration of the larger tract on October 1, 1973, and provided also that this exemption does not invalidate any local requirements applicable to the subdivision of land.
  - ☐ The preparation of a plat for wind energy devised under section 10-620 of the Property Tax Code.
  - ☐ Division meets criteria for agricultural exemption.

I swear to the best of my knowledge that the statements contained herein are true and correct. Grantor/Grantor's Attorney further states that this affidavit for the purpose of indicating to THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, that the conveyance by the attached instrument is within, and in compliance with, the provisions of the Illinois Plat Act.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
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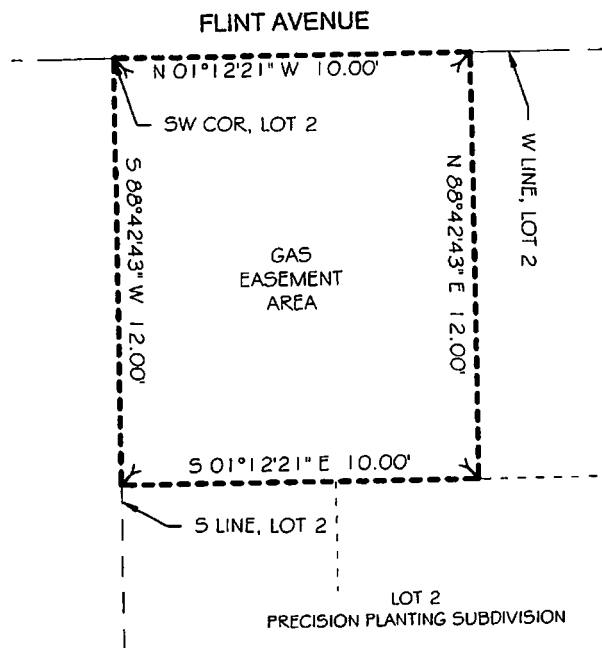
Approval for State Plat Act, County Subdivision and Zoning Code Purposes: SURVEY REQUIRED FOR RECORDING: Yes ☐ No ☐

Tazewell County Plat Officer/designee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: County Plat Officer signature required for properties only in the UNINCORPORATED areas of Tazewell County)

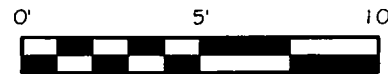
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## LEGEND

---	ADJACENT PROPERTY
---	GAS EASEMENT LINE
---	RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE
---	UTILITY EASEMENT LINE
10.00'	MEASURED DISTANCE



SCALE: 1" = 5'

## DESCRIPTION:

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## NOTES:

- IT IS NOT WARRANTED THAT THIS GAS EASEMENT EXHIBIT CONTAINS COMPLETE INFORMATION REGARDING EASEMENTS, RESERVATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, RIGHT-OF-WAY, BUILDING SETBACK LINES AND OTHER ENCUMBRANCES. FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION, A TITLE OPINION OR OTHER COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE SHOULD BE OBTAINED.



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SURVEYED	N/A
DRAWN	BAB
CHECKED	CEJ
SCALE	1" = 5'
DATE	12-12-22

**VILLAGE OF  
MORTON**

PROJECT NO.	21-575
SHEET 1 OF 1	
DRAWING NO.	1

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

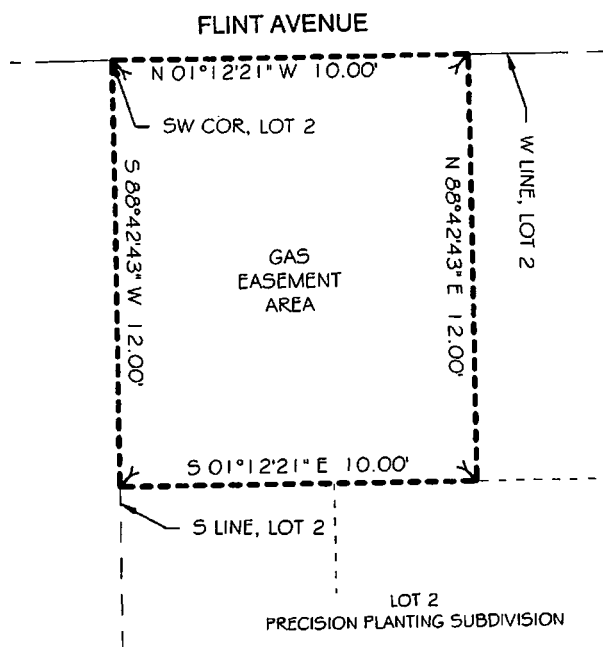
Approval for State Plat Act, County Subdivision and Zoning Code Purposes: SURVEY REQUIRED FOR RECORDING: Yes ☐ No ☐

Tazewell County Plat Officer/designee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: County Plat Officer signature required for properties only in the UNINCORPORATED areas of Tazewell County)

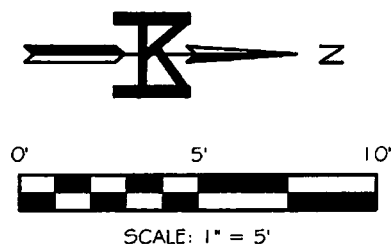
# GAS EASEMENT EXHIBIT

A PART OF LOT 2 OF PRECISION PLANTING SUBDIVISION, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 18, AND A PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, ALL IN TOWNSHIP-25-NORTH, RANGE-3-WEST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, TAZEWELL COUNTY ILLINOIS.



## LEGEND

---	ADJACENT PROPERTY
---	GAS EASEMENT LINE
---	RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE
---	UTILITY EASEMENT LINE
---	MEASURED DISTANCE



## DESCRIPTION:

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COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE EASEMENT TO BE DESCRIBED;

FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST, (BEARINGS ARE BASED ON STATE PLANE COORDINATES, WEST ZONE, NAD 1983), ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 10.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 12.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 10.00 FEET, TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 43 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 12.00 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO ANY EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS AND RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RECORD.

## NOTES:

- IT IS NOT WARRANTED THAT THIS GAS EASEMENT EXHIBIT CONTAINS COMPLETE INFORMATION REGARDING EASEMENTS, RESERVATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, RIGHT-OF-WAY, BUILDING SETBACK LINES AND OTHER ENCUMBRANCES. FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION, A TITLE OPINION OR OTHER COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE SHOULD BE OBTAINED.



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## GAS EASEMENT EXHIBIT

SURVEYED	N/A
DRAWN	BAB
CHECKED	CEJ
SCALE	1" = 5'
DATE	12-12-22

**VILLAGE OF  
MORTON**

PROJECT NO.	21-575
SHEET 1 OF 1	
DRAWING NO.	1

# MEMO

TO: President and Board of Trustees  
FROM: Craig Loudermilk  
DATE: January 11, 2023  
RE: Annual Fuel bid

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On Wednesday, January 11, 2023, the bids for fuel for the period February 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024, were opened with the bids received as follows:

	Unleaded 87 Octane	No. 2 Bio Diesel (w/ 2% soy)	No. 2 Bio Diesel (w/ 2% soy) w/ Winter Additive
	Bid (no tax) (+.38/gal.)	Bid (no tax) (+.455/gal.)	Bid (no tax) (+.455/gal.)
Ag-Land FS, Inc. (Tremont, IL)	\$ 2.75	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.41

I recommend awarding the annual fuel contract to Ag-Land FS, Inc. The following costs include the State Motor Tax for Ag-Land's bid:

The only bid for unleaded gasoline is **Ag-Land FS, Inc. at \$ 3.13** (State Motor Fuel Tax included).

The only bid for diesel is **Ag-Land FS, Inc. at \$ 3.805** (State Motor Fuel Tax included).

The only bid for diesel w/ winter additive is **Ag-Land FS, Inc. at \$ 3.865** (State Motor Fuel Tax included).

We have to pay the State Motor Fuel Tax; we do not pay the Federal Motor Fuel Tax (approx. \$ 0.20/gal.).

## Morton Fire Department Apparatus Replacement

Fire Apparatus	Manufacture Year	Projected Replacement		Ambulance	Manufacture Year	Projected Replacment
Engine 3	1998	2022		Ambulance 08	2008	2023
Engine 1	1995	2024		Ambulance 16	2016	2029
Engine 2	1996	2026		Ambulance 21	2021	2035
Rescue 1	1985/2009	2030				
Truck 1	2010	2036				
Tender 17	2017	2037				

**VILLAGE OF MORTON**  
**ORDINANCE 23- 14**

**AN ORDINANCE MAKING AMENDMENTS TO MULTIPLE SECTIONS OF 5-1  
OF THE MORTON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING VOLUNTARY FIRE  
DEPARTMENT OFFICER AND RETIREE COMPENSATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Morton Municipal Code was duly adopted on March 2, 1970, and duly published in book form; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 5, Chapter 1, Section 2 specifies the compensation to be paid to the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Officers; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 5, Chapter 1, Section 7 specifies the compensation to be paid to the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Firefighters; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 5, Chapter 1, Section 15 specifies the compensation to be paid to the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Retirees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Morton desires to increase the compensation paid to the above-referenced employees.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton, in the State of Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION 1:**        **AMENDMENT** "5-1-2: Officers; Compensation" of the Morton Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

**AMENDMENT**

**5-1-2: Officers; Compensation**

There are hereby created the following offices, each to be filled by a member of said Fire Department as may be appointed by the Fire Chief or elected by majority vote of the members as indicated below, and each member serving in each office to receive an annual rate of compensation as set across from each office, in addition to their firefighter pay, as follows:

President (elected)	\$ <u>150.00</u> <del>125.00</del>
Vice President (elected)	\$ <u>60.00</u> <del>50.00</del>
Secretary-Treasurer (elected)	\$ <u>375.00</u> <del>300.00</del>
Deputy Chief (appointed)	\$ <u>2,200.00</u> <del>1,800.00</del>
Assistant Chiefs (2) (appointed)	\$ <u>1,500.00</u> <del>1,200.00</del> each
Captains (4) (appointed)	\$ <u>625.00</u> <del>500.00</del> each
Training Officers (2)	\$ <u>750.00</u> <del>600.00</del> each

The above compensation shall be the amount paid to each officer after all deductions for F.I.C.A. and applicable withholding on F.I.C.A. (Ord 79-26, 12-3-79; amd. Ord. 83-27, 4-16-84; amd. Ord. 93-4, 5-17-93; amd. Ord. 94-2, 5-2-94; amd. Ord. 03-09, 7-21-03)

**SECTION 2:** **AMENDMENT** “5-1-7: Firefighter; Compensation” of the Morton Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

#### AMENDMENT

##### 5-1-7: Firefighter; Compensation

The Fire Chief shall appoint and designate as many volunteer firefighters as he or she may deem necessary and shall see that such volunteers are properly organized. Said volunteers may with the consent and approval of the President and Board of Trustees make and establish rules and regulations for the government of their Department, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Chapter, and not inconsistent with any rules or procedures established by the Director of Fire and Emergency Services. Each member of the Fire Department shall receive the following compensations:

For each emergency response, drill, meeting, or official department activity attended:

Probationary Firefighter	\$ <u>15.00</u> <del>12.00</del> 0
Active member with State of Illinois Firefighter II Certification	\$ <u>22.50</u> <del>18.00</del> 0

In addition to the above, if a firefighter goes to the hospital with a paramedic, the compensation shall be increased by \$5.00.



The following additional educational bonuses will be added to the above compensation schedule for active members (non-probationary) for each emergency response, drill, meeting, or other official department activity attended:

Current Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) license (all levels) and meeting all of the requirements for active EMT status within the Peoria Area EMS System	\$2.00
At least three (3) other certifications from an approved class listing as published or as may from time to time be modified by the Fire Chief	\$2.00

The maximum allowable compensation for each emergency response, drill, meeting, or other official department activity attended shall be twenty-seven dollars (\$27.00).

The above compensation shall be the amount for each member of the Fire Department after all deductions for F.I.C.A. and applicable withholding on F.I.C.A. (Ord. 122, 3-5-56; amd. Ord. 83-27, 4-16-84; amd. Ord. 86-20, 4-6-87; eff. 5-1-87; amd. Ord. 94-2, 5-2-94; amd. Ord. 03-09, 7-21-03; amd. Ord. 13-33, 4-7-14)

**SECTION 3: AMENDMENT** “5-1-15: Volunteer Firefighter Pension Fund” of the Morton Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

#### AMENDMENT

##### 5-1-15: Volunteer Firefighter Pension Fund

- A. Each member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department who has completed five (5) years of active service, and who is sixty (60) years of age or older, upon retirement shall be paid by the Village as part compensation for his services with said Fire Department, a monthly pension for the rest of his life equal to ~~\$7.50 six dollars (\$6.00)~~ for each full year of creditable service with said Fire Department.
- B. Each member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department who has completed ten (10) years of active service and who is between fifty five (55) and sixty (60) years of age, upon retirement shall be paid by the Village as part compensation for his services with said Fire Department, a monthly pension for the rest of his life equal to ~~\$7.50 six dollars (\$6.00)~~ for each full year of creditable service with said Fire Department, less six and two-thirds percent (6 2/3%) for each year said member is under sixty (60) years of age, said percentage of reduction to be prorata for a part of year to the nearest month; e.g. if said member is five (5) months twenty (20) days from attaining the age of sixty (60) years, the percentage reduction is three and one-third percent (3 1/3%).
- C. In the event a member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department who has at least five (5) years of active service dies, then the present lump sum value of the benefit accrued at the time of death shall be paid to the member’s designated beneficiary of the plan, or if none, or if the beneficiary is deceased, to the duly appointed executor or administrator of the member’s estate. Said payment shall be made within sixty (60)



- days of the date of death, upon application of the beneficiary or personal representative of the estate, and presentation of a death certificate and letters of office, if applicable.
- D. In the event a member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department who has at least five (5) years of active service becomes permanently disabled, then the member or his duly appointed conservator shall within sixty (60) days of said disability or, if applicable, sixty (60) days from the appointment of said conservator, inform in writing to the Board of Trustees of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund which option he or she desires. The option is to either receive the present lump sum value of the benefit accrued at the time of disability (in which event no other payments would be made) or elect to receive a monthly benefit commencing at normal retirement date. Said monthly benefit will be determined on the basis of the active service credited to date of disability, and upon said disability the member shall cease to receive additional credit. The member or his conservator shall apply in writing to the Board of Trustees of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund in the event he becomes permanently disabled and shall furnish such information as deemed appropriate by the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund, and shall, if requested, submit to an examination by a physician designated by the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund.
- E. In the event a member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department terminates his employment and he has completed at least five (5) years of creditable service, then he shall be eligible for a retirement on the following basis:
1. If he has completed five (5) or more years but less than ten (10) years, he shall be eligible for pension benefits; and same shall commence after he has attained the age of sixty (60) years.
  2. If he has completed ten (10) or more years, he shall be eligible for early retirement and a reduced benefit as provided in subsection (B) of this Section; or he may begin to receive his retirement benefits at such time as he attains the age of sixty (60) years.
  3. If a member dies after terminating employment but before he begins to receive benefits, then the present lump sum value of the benefit accrued at the time of death shall be paid to the member's designated beneficiary of the plan, or if none, to the duly appointed executor or administrator of his estate.
- F. Upon the death of a member receiving a pension, and who has not received his pension for one hundred twenty (120) months, his widow, or if no widow, his dependents, if any, shall continue to receive his same monthly payment until a total of one hundred twenty (120) payments have been made since his retirement.
- G. The Board of Trustees of the Village shall annually, unless more frequently found to be necessary, transfer from any fund available, money sufficient to meet the requirements of this Section, to the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund theretofore established in December, 1973, and hereby ratified, the receipts and disbursements of which shall be made in the name of said Fund by the Morton Village Treasurer.
- H. There is hereby established a three (3) member Board of Trustees of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department Pension Fund of the Village, who shall be composed of the Fire Chief, the chairman of the Fire Committee of the Morton Village Board, and a

member of the Morton Volunteer Fire Department who is elected annually by the at-large membership of said Fire Department.

- I. Any member who is unable to actively perform his duties on the Morton Volunteer Fire Department because he is engaged in other duties for the Village, such as Mayor or Trustee, or in active military service of the United States of America, shall be given credit for each year the same as if he were in active service with the Fire Department.
- J. In the event that the Foreign Fire Insurance Board elects not to contribute all the funds it receives in any year, which were collected as a result of the foreign fire insurance tax, to the Volunteer Fireman Pension Fund, then for the ensuing year commencing the next January 1, the monthly pension shall be reduced to two dollars (\$2.00) per month. (Ord. 80-44, 4-6-81; amd. Ord. 03-16, 8-18-03; amd. Ord. 03-09, 7-21-03)

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE OF MORTON PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES \_\_\_\_\_.

	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Trustee Blunier	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Hilliard	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Leitch	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Menold	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Parrott	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Newman	_____	_____	_____	_____
President Kaufman	_____	_____	_____	_____
Presiding Officer		Attest		

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Jeffrey L. Kaufman, Village President,  
Village of Morton

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Zo M. Evans, Village Clerk, Village  
of Morton