## MORAVIA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

The regular meeting of the Moravia City Council was called to order by Mayor Roy Miller at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at Moravia City Hall. In addition to Mayor Miller, those present at the meeting were Councilpersons Ron Deal, Ken Martin, Tom Kramka, John Baty, and Sheila Kirby. Sharla Stogdill, Mitch Main, Amanda Smith, Marcia Benjamin, and Jessi Moore were also present. The meeting opened with a prayer by Councilman Ken Martin and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Miller welcomed the public.

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

Motion by Martin and seconded by Deal to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2025, regular meeting. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Baty and seconded by Martin to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2025, special meeting. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

Bills were presented and discussed. Motion by Kirby and seconded by Kramka to approve the bills. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

Comments from the public - None.

Department Reports were given:

Fire – EMS Service Director Jessi Moore reported fourteen medical calls for the month of August and 135 total calls for 2025. The fire department attended back-to-school night at Moravia. Pump training and a training for hose layout have been completed. The fire department washed the streets in preparation for Fall Festival. New gear lockers arrived and have been installed. The Fall Festival breakfast and raffle were both very successful. A grant from Cargill for helmets has been awarded to the department. From October 1 to January 31, Agriland will donate three cents per gallon of gas purchased to the Moravia Fire Department.

Library – Library Director Amanda Smith reported on activities at the library. Summer reading program winners have been awarded prizes. Craft cart activities will be changed to after school hours. The hours the library is open on Saturdays is being reviewed and changes considered. The Board is considering rearranging the books in the library. September is library card sign-up month. New library card holders will be in a drawing for a pizza party from Spencer's. September 25 will be the adult book page pumpkin making project at 4:30 PM.

Cemetery - Councilman Martin noted the burn pile is growing.

Parks – Council appreciated the park on the square looking nice for Fall Festival. The last pickle ball tournament at Trussell Park will be held in mid-October. The city will winterize the bathrooms and food stand after the last tournament.

Streets – Councilman Kramka requested work be done at the corner of Frontage Road and Deborah Street where the street is bumpy.

Water – Delinquent accounts were reviewed, with one customer being shut off for non-payment in September. Council agreed by consensus to send a thirty-day notice of tax lien to Account 4330 for \$207.56. Council agreed by consensus to send a thirty-day notice of tax lien to Account 4550 for \$67.58. Motion by Baty and seconded by Deal to write off Account 4550 in the amount of \$586.58. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Deal and seconded by Baty to write off Account 4301 in the amount of \$439.66. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Collection efforts continue for accounts that are written off. Mitch Main reviewed with the Council the results of the Moravia Public Water Supply Sanitary Survey Results from the Iowa DNR. There were no significant deficiencies to report. A summary of the minor deficiencies was reviewed.

Sewer – Mitch Main reported purchasing 100 carp for the lagoon. He may try adding koi fish to the ponds in the spring. There is undergrowth breaking loose so they have had to do a lot of jetting. They will be skimming duck weed off the ponds this fall.

City Staff – City Clerk/Treasurer Sharla Stogdill reviewed financial reports with the Council. She is working with ClerkBooks IT to repair a program issue. Mitch Main reported he is working on lead and copper samples and nitrate samples. He discussed selling the orange truck, snow blade, and sander as well as selling the smaller skid loader trailer. Council will look at equipment and determine value and discuss selling the items at the October meeting.

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Resident Complaints – Councilman Kramka reported on two complaints he received about a rooster in West View. Our city ordinances do not allow roosters and it must be removed from the city limits.

Nuisance Properties and Junk Vehicles – The court ruled that the property located at 104 North John in Moravia constitutes abandoned property pursuant to lowa Code and judgment was entered in favor of the City of Moravia for title to the property free and clear of any claims, liens, or encumbrances. Change of title to the real estate to the name of the City of Moravia, lowa, will be made and the City is awarded ownership of any personal property remaining on the property upon transfer of title.

Motion by Baty and seconded by Martin to approve Resolution 13-2025 – Resolution to Transfer Funds Budgeted for FY2026. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

City Clerk Stogdill reviewed the city's Annual Financial Report for FY2025 with the Council. Motion by Deal and seconded by Kirby to approve Resolution 14-2025 – Resolution to Approve the City of Moravia's Annual Finance Report for FY2025. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of Ordinance 2025-02 – Mayor's Salary was read by Clerk Stogdill. Motion by Baty and seconded by Kramka to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2025-02 – Mayor's Salary. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

The first reading of Ordinance 2025-03 – Public Hearing Requirements was read by Clerk Stogdill. Motion by Kramka and seconded by Kirby to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-03 – Public Hearing Requirements. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Baty and seconded by Kramka to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 2025-03 – Public Hearing Requirements. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Deal and seconded by Kramka to approve and adopt Ordinance 2025-03 – Public Hearing Requirements. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

The first reading of Ordinance 2025-04 – Cigarette and Tobacco Permits was read by Clerk Stogdill. Motion by Kirby and seconded by Kramka to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-04 – Cigarette and Tobacco Permits. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Kramka and seconded by Kirby to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 2025-04 – Cigarette and Tobacco Permits. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried. Motion by Kramka and seconded by Baty to approve and adopt Ordinance 2025-04 – Cigarette and Tobacco Permits. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

Council Discussion Items – The speed radar sign that was destroyed by gun shot was discussed. The city will report the vandalism to the Appanoose County Sheriff's office. Motion by Baty and seconded by Martin to offer a \$500 reward for information that leads to the conviction of the person or persons responsible for shooting the radar speed sign. Roll Call Vote: Deal-Aye, Martin-Aye, Kirby-Aye, Kramka-Aye, Baty-Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Information and Discussion Items – None.

Motion by Baty and seconded by Kirby to adjourn at 6:25 PM. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Attest:
/s/ Sharla Stogdill, City Clerk/Treasurer

/s/ Roy Miller, Mayor