

## Regular/Public

January 7, 2019

Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order. Pastor John Grandy from Living Water Church led the prayer. The pledge was recited.

Roll call: Shupp, Wilson, Aspiras Jr., Hamsher, Aspiras Sr., Corfman and Lorson all were present.

Corfman moved to approve the minutes as posted of the last regular meeting on December 3, 2018. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

Finance – Aspiras Sr. – No report. Happy New Year. The legislation on the docket is a good start to the new year.

Utilities – Corfman – No report however, Utility Board will be back in action next Monday.

Ordinance & Personnel – Lorson: No report. Congratulated President Baker on his retirement from his day job.

President Baker: Thank you. I have one year left as Council President but will not run for re-election. If you would like to run for Council President go get your petition quickly as they are due soon.

### **Administrative Reports**

Mayor Handwerk: The first 2019 Employee of the Month, for January, is Brandon Lockhart. Brandon is a Utility Worker with the Water Department and just started working for the Utilities last June, 2018. He performs a wide variety of duties which includes operating the water plant, reading meters, customer service work orders, and maintenance. He learns things very quickly and is a great addition to the team. Brandon lives in Orrville. In his spare time, he enjoys going to Dirt Track races and playing both softball and golf. He is an OHS alumni and former Red Rider. We are very glad to have Brandon with us. We will eat lunch this Friday. Our next Council meeting will be on a Tuesday, January 22, due to Martin Luther King Day being on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Orrville Baptist Church will hold a Martin Luther King Day service down at the Orrville Baptist Church that evening on the 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 o'clock if anyone wishes to attend. He will be there for that.

Safety Service Department Director Wheeler: No report. Salt supplies are fantastic.

Utility Director Brediger: (The Birthday Boy) Utilities have been quiet since the last meeting. We are hoping for a boring 2019. We had a little wind and rain over the New Year's Eve with a few customers out here and there. Utility and Street Department crews were out. Utility Board will begin 2019 with their first meeting next Monday at 6:30 pm.

President Baker: Two weeks from now the beard disappears. Some granddaughters will be taking it off with an electric shaver. We have an alley vacation that needs to be referred to the Planning Commission if no one has questions. No questions. We will send that to the Planning Commission.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

Lorson moved that Resolution 1-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 1-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a contract to provide for tax abatement for real property for Morgan Truck Body, LLC and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Jack DiNardo from CB Richard Ellis, representing Morgan Corporation is here from Chicago to give a description of the project. Mr. DiNardo approached the podium. He thanked the board for hearing about the project today. The Morgan Corporation is the number one producer in the U.S. of Class 3-7 truck bodies. They are considering a purchase, renovation, and up-fit of 600 Chestnut to add an additional production facility. The project will create 75 new jobs, including a capital investment in excess of \$16M. Thank you for your consideration of the tax abatement. The jobs are production, technician, and material handling positions. Once they are ready to proceed they will post and advertise on Morgancorp.com. The Orrville Chamber has more information on their website as well. Production and hiring will not take place

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until some evaluations and things occur, if those occur and move forward it could be the end of January with hiring will begin as the building is being outfitted. Production would begin in 2019 and fully ramped up in 2021. Average wage is \$35,000. Mayor Handwerk stated we are appreciative of Morgan Corporation and their interest in Orrville. We are glad they are here tonight and that we could accommodate them.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 1-19 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Resolution 2-19 be placed on first reading. Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 2-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a contract to provide for a Job Creation Income Tax Credit for Morgan Truck Body, LLC and its subsidiaries, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is for a 10% credit for a period of eight years. They are estimating, as Mr. DiNardo stated, 75 new jobs at \$2.6M in new payroll which will result in a potential of \$26,000 in income tax to the City based on that number. These are yearly so over the life \$210,000 roughly in new income tax to the City.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 2-19 be adopted as read. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

**Good of the Order** - None

**Adjournment**

Hamsher moved to adjourn the council meeting; Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Lyle Baker, President of Council