



**CITY COUNCIL
ADDENDUM TO THE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 12, 2025 AT 6:30 PM
FINLAYSON CITY HALL**

Addendum to the May 12, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes, submitted by Council Member Morgan

The following personal response was submitted by Council Member Morgan at the June 9, 2025 City Council Meeting, to be included as an addendum to the official minutes of the May 12, 2025 meeting. This statement reflects the personal opinion of the council member and does not alter the official actions or record of the May meeting.

May's unofficial minutes included some one-sided discussion points. My response to the clerk's statement that the "repeated questioning of her work felt personal" is that it was not personal and I did not "repeatedly question" the clerk.

I did not repeatedly call, text, email, or drop in without an appointment. I did, however, ask several months in a row when the council would be given the complete financial information, including the itemized budget information as it had not been included in packets for several months. Each time I was told by the clerk "I'm working on that, and you should have it by the next council meeting" which is why I kept checking in to see what progress had been made.

I believed that the council would be getting the requested itemized budget information; other city staff members have been waiting on their budget information as well. This information is needed by them to determine where their department's financials stand before equipment, supplies, and other items are purchased. The first time the clerk informed me that "You're not going to get what you're asking for, this is it!" was during May's council meeting.

Regarding the comment about complaining about the very small font size on the financial spreadsheets the council receives: I wasn't complaining, I was stating a fact. The font is very small. I am not the only council member that has difficulty reading the reports with the tiny font. All I'm asking for are reports that are easy to read, perhaps use the printer to enlarge those reports.

Any time a question/concern is raised by any of the council members, it should not be taken personally. We, as a council, are trying our best to fulfil our responsibilities by doing what is best for the city. To do that we need to be informed on all topics and asking questions is one way we get answers or information we need to make informed decisions. It has been frustrating not being able to have access to information as needed. It is important that the clerk and the entire council be respectful of each other and work well together for the betterment of our city.

Submitted by Liz Bernhardt, City Clerk, June 10, 2025