

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Michel Freeman called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. All council members were present: D. Benefiel, M. Freeman, K. Langkabel, R. Henderson, L. Tracy.

The minutes of the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting were presented. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the January 9th, 2013 minutes as presented. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's.

II. RESOLUTION 2013-01:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MORRISTOWN DECLARING DERBY DAYS**

After reading the Resolution, President Freeman asked for comments from the audience. Peggy Reber, Jim Thomas, Jane Thurston, Ed Floyd, Kim White, and Sue Keaton all spoke in favor of the Resolution and were willing to work to make Derby Days like the Derby Days of several years ago. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-01 as read. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

III. WELL HEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM:

Mary Atkins gave a update on the Well Head Protection Program for Morristown. Mary stated that Well #2 that failed during 2012 should be on the schedule to close according to regulations in 2013. Because of Morristown's size we will have to expand the delineation area. That will require an estimated expenditure of \$10,000.00. Experts to expand the delineation area will be contacted for prices.

Mary Atkins presented a new on call for Wastewater Issues Contract for 2013. After discussion Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the contract for 2013. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

IV: CELL PHONES;

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to discontinue furnishing cell phones to Town Council Members. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

V: ELECTRONIC SIGN:

Council Members asked the two vendors to present their proposals at the next meeting. Clerk-Treasurer Roberts will contact vendors.

VI: TREES 418 W. MAIN STREET:

Council members discussed the two trees in the front yard at the Municipal Building. Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to have Town Employees remove the trees. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

VII: SCHOOL SECURITY:

Marshall Henry Albrecht explained the security program at the school. He works only on his time off and if a call comes in for Town of Morristown he responds. Copy of agreement between school district and host department needs to be obtained.

VIII: TIF DISTRICT:

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to proceed with the new TIF district. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

**IX: UMBAUGH CONTRACT:**

Clerk-Treasurer Don Roberts presented a contract from H. J. Umbaugh & Associates for PROPOSED FINANCIAL ADVISOR SERVICES. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the contract with H. J Umbaugh. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

**XIII: TASER'S:**

Marshall Albrecht presented a request to purchase two Tasers with video cameras. Cost for the two tasers is \$3,780.18. After considerable discussion the request was tabled.

**XIV: OLD DETROIT STEEL PROPERTY:**

Caleb Osborne informed the council that the property owner of the Old Detroit Steel building was dumping concrete and other materials on the easement where sewer and water lines are located and that the sewer line was exposed. After discussion it was decided to invite the individual to the next Town Council meeting. A letter will be sent.

**XV: SPRINKLER CONNECTION:**

Mr. Osborne stated the Surbeban Products Building had a leaking valve in the sprinkler system with no way to shut the water off so that it did not affect other businesses. Mr. Osborne stated that to have a valve installed without shutting down the water system would cost \$3,500.00. Town employees could install the valve for about \$2,000.00 but the water system would have to be shut down. We would have to sanitize line and run bacteria samples on two occasions, plus businesses would be interrupted. Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to hire the company to insert the valve for \$3,500.00. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye', 0 no's

**XVI: MEETING ADJOURNMENT:**

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Kristi Langkable seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

Michel Freeman, President

Donald Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer