

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
TOWN COUCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2008**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President White called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Pledge of allegiance. All members were present. Council member Benefiel moved to approve minutes from meeting September 10. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos. Council member Benefiel moved to approve minutes from Executive Session meeting September 17. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Crane Works should have closed today on old Nabisco plant. They will have a ¾" meter. Council member Benefiel moved to accept. President White 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
- b. Prospective buyers of Collins Aikman instead went to Versailles, IN.
- c. Koors Contracting is currently working on asphalt patching in town.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Buzz Smith from the Marine Corps. League asked to place signs at both ends of town. A collaborative sign is currently being discussed on the west side, but he can place a sign on both side of town with permission from property owners. Mr. Smith also asked permission to place a removable sticker sign on the front door of Dodd's Hall. Council agreed that was fine.
- b. Dave Hart reported curbing is in need of repairs on South St.

IV. CLERK TREASURER

- a. Clerk Treasurer Reber reported he has looked through CD containing new water rates and has found incorrect figures. A new CD with corrections should be in for the next billing cycle.
- b. A budget workshop meeting was scheduled for September 30th at 5:30pm.

V. POLICE

- a. Marshall Albrecht reported he will be filling in for Council member Benefiel for FEMA at Shelby County.
- b. Albrecht reported DARE Program will start October 1st at Southwestern and he will only be there partial days. The program will start October 7th at Triton and he will be there all day. He will be using vacation hours while at both schools. The program will start at Morristown and Waldron in the second semester.
- c. Blackberries have been purchased. A one time fee of \$100 per phone must be paid to issue a license to use the Blackberries in correspondence with Shelby County. Council member Benefiel moved to approve paying fee. President White 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos. Pagers will be returned soon.

- d. Marshall Albrecht reported he has done a 1.5 hour speed study during early morning on South Washington St. Average speeds are 35-38 MPH. Albrecht will do another study during church hours.

VI. LEGAL

- a. Town Attorney Messer introduced Sewer Ordinance 08-2008. This ordinance has been changed to comply with IDEM. Voting to take place at next meeting.
- b. Indot will be speaking with school on crosswalk.
- c. Messer received an email from Umbaugh stating the Financial Impact Assessment for Integrity Metals is complete. It will be introduced next meeting.

VII. WASTEWATER /STREETS

- a. The south side of 52 is almost complete.
- b. The utility department is down to two full time employees.
- c. The water line to Integrity Metals is still being worked on. An easement for the line will be checked into.

VIII. LICENSE BRANCH

- a. Council member Benefiel suggested that \$10,000 be taken from the Racino and be put into a rainy day fund and be repaid as money becomes available. Messer will check into legalities. Council member Benefiel moved to pay License Branch employees from Racino Funds until Rainy Day Fund established. President White 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. President White has received a letter from M.D. Wessler. It has been given to Town Attorney to overlook.
- b. The keys to the bowling alley have been picked up by Josh West and his locks have been installed. He will be called to see when he plans to start demolition.
- c. Albrecht had a damage property report from siding from the bowling alley scratching a car parked behind the Long Branch.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Council member Benefiel moved to adjourn meeting. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.

William D. White
President

Thomas W. Reber
Clerk Treasurer