

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Ralph Henderson called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. All five council members were present: David Benefiel, Kristi Langkabel, Ralph Henderson, Larry Tracy, William White and clerk-treasurer, Don Roberts

The minutes of the October 9th, 2013 meeting were presented. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the October 9th, 2013 minutes as presented. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's, 0 no's

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

II. DUKE ENERGY EASEMENT:

Council Members Benefiel and Langkabel went over the proposal from Duke Energy concerning the requested easement. The monetary offer was of \$12.00. Council members stated that they asked to have a pole moved instead of the \$12.00. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the easement if Duke Energy agrees to move the pole. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's.

III BUDGET 2014:

The Clerk-Treasurer stated that Ordinance 20-2013 (2014 ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE) had an error and needed to be rescinded. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to rescind Ordinance 20-2013. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 Aye's 0 no's

The Clerk-Treasurer presented Ordinance 21-2013 (2014 ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE) for passage. This new ordinance has a Tax Rate for the Cumulative Capital Development Fund which Ordinance 20-2013 did not. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to adopt Ordinance 21-2013 as presented. Council member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's.

IV: ROOF, WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:

Don Farquer turned in a quote for replacing the roof at the Wastewater Treatment Plant as requested by a council member. The quote was for \$8,373.64. After discussion among council members it was decided to get a second quote. Council member David Benefiel made a motion to get a second quote for the roof replacement and award to lowest quote. Council member William White seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

V: WATER TAPS BUNGE:

Bunge sent a letter requesting 3 water taps at the Morristown Grain sites. Caleb Osborne is to order parts for taps and work with Bunge on location. No action required by the Council.

VI: FIRE STATION:

Clerk-Treasurer informed Council Members that the Investors would like to make a presentation on a Fire Station. Council Member White stated as far as he was concerned the fire station would have to be bid. Council Member William White made a motion to have the new fire station go through the bidding process. Council Member David Benefiel seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

VII: LAND:

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to accept the warranty deed from the Hanover Township Trustee and that the new fire station be built on that property. Council Member William White seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

Clerk-Treasurer stated he would not sign any paper work for the new fire station unless the warranty deed was changed.

VIII: POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Marshall Henry Albrecht requested permission to purchase two new Dell LapTop computers for the police cars, cost \$2,757.84. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve the request. Council Member David Benefiel seconded the motion.

5 aye's 0 no's

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to donate the old lab tops to the Boys and Girls Club. Council Member Kristi Langkabel seconded the motion.

5 aye's 0 no's

IX: NIXLE:

Deputy Marshall Trittipo asked about NIXLE. After discussion Council Member William White made a motion to table NIXLE for now. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion.

5 aye's 0 no's

X: RESPONSE TO FORMAL COMPLAINT 13-FC-285:

Copy of the letter to the Public Access Counselor addressing the complaint was handed out.

XI: ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member William White made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

Ralph Henderson, President

Donald L. Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer