

MORRISTOWN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

October 23, 2019

President Larry Tracy called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag, others present were William White, Kristi Langkable and Ralph Henderson. Also present was: Town Attorney Mark McNeely and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Don Roberts.

Minutes of the October 9, 2019 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Council Member William White seconded by Council Member Ralph Henderson. The motion passed. Vote 4/0

Claims presented were approved on a motion by Council Member William White seconded by Council Member Ralph Henderson. The motion passed. Vote 4/0

PUBLIC HEARING:

Town Council President Larry Tracy opened the public hearing for the proposed new water rates as a result of the Utility Rate Water Usage Study done by Baker-Tilly. Mr. John Seever from Baker-Tilly was in attendance to explain the process and answer any questions. As a result of the study residential rates will go down and industrial rates will go up.

President Tracy asked if there was anymore comments. Council Member William White made a motion To close the Public Hearing. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vote 4/0

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2019:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 09-2018, ESTABLISHING NEW RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE AND SERVICE RENDERED BY THE WATER WORKS SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF MORRISTOWN, INDIANA. Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to pass Ordinance 03-2019 on first reading. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vote 4/0

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to suspend the rules for final passage. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote 4/0

Council Member William White made a motion to approve Ordinance 03-2019 on final reading. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 4/0

OLD BUSINESS:

Monroe Custom Bodies:

Working on land purchase.

SMITH LAND PURCHASE:

Council Member William White informed the Council that Mrs. Smith was willing to sell the property north of the park for \$9,500.00 per acre based on a current survey paid for by the seller.

Legal Council stated that we could proceed with the purchase.

Council Member William White made a motion to proceed with the purchase of the land and that Legal Council Mark McNeely and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Roberts handle all the paper work. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vote 4/0

CLERK-TREASURER:

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer gave an update on the Morrison Street Water Filtration Plant. Everything Progressing very well. Start-up of the new plant will be around Thanksgiving.
Indiana State Board of Accounts audit for 2017 and 2018 is finished. The only issue is that we need better oversight in the Clerk-Treasurers office. Some way to have two signatures.
Report will be out by December 1, 2019.

POLE BUILDING:

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer presented revised quote from M&S Construction.
The revised quote included insulation and concrete floor.
The revised quote is \$91,963.80 plus an additional walk door for \$400.00. Total: \$92363.80.
Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to accept the quote from M & S Construction For the pole building. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion approved.
Vote 4/0

Legal:

Nothing to report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Preparing for Halloween and Community Celebration.

Water, Street and Wastewater:

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to approve paint for the fence in the park. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vote 4/0

Don Smith presented quotes for tires. After discussion Council Member William White made a motion to purchase tires from Shelby Tire and Auto for \$669.00. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed. Vote 4/0

Don Smith presented a quote for a backup Level Probe from Indiana Pump Works for \$700.00. After discussion Council Member William White made a motion to purchase. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 4/0

Don Smith asked about purchasing 4 loads of stone for the park drives. Council Member Ralph Henderson made motion to purchase 4 loads of stone for the park. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote 4/0

Don Smith handed out a memo concerning US 52 road work.

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member William White seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 4/0

Larry Tracy, President

Don Roberts, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

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