

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2011

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- A. President Ralph Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Pledge of allegiance. All members present.
 - B. Council member Harry Justus moved to approve minutes from February 9, 2011 meeting. President Henderson 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos. Council member Dave Benefiel moved to approve payment of APV's. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
- II. OLD BUSINESS
- A. A replacement part has been found for the gun discussed at the last meeting. The part should be received in a week or two.
 - B. Phase 2 of Annexation is complete and has been filed.
 - C. Two bills have been received from M.D. Wessler. The Council would like Gary Ruston and Mary Atkins to attend the next meeting to clarify and give details concerning these bills.
- III. NEW BUSINESS
- A. An Executive Session Meeting will be held on March 2nd at 6:00PM to discuss updating Employee and Police Manuals.
- IV. CLERK TREASURER
- A. Bunge is planning on making upgrades at the former Morristown Grain Co. They will be attending the Planning Commission Meeting.
 - B. Ordinance 1-2011 Employee Salary Ordinance was presented to the Council. The Council would like to table this until discussion can be held during Executive Session.
 - C. It is being looked into on how to reduce the cell phone bills.
 - D. Both Mobile Home parks have had leaks. They would like sewer bill adjusted. Council member Benefiel so moved. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
- V. POLICE
- A. It was requested for one pair of night vision goggles to be given an upgrade. Council member Benefiel so moved to purchase upgrade. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
- VI. LEGAL
- A. In the last Redevelopment Commission meeting BUNGE asked if TIFF Funds can be used to add office space thus making it possible to remove portable office trailer. Town Attorney Jennifer Messer recommended the Town Council allow this. Council member Benefiel so moved for TIFF Funds to be allowed in use of office space. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
 - B. Personnel and Police Policies will be discussed at the Executive Session meeting then it was recommended to sit down with employees and go over policies.
 - C. The Council is thinking of increasing the number of Council members for next term.
 - D. The property on 546 E. Main St. has still not been transferred by HUD.
- VII. WATER/WASTEWATER/STREETS

- A. Repairs have or were made to the lift station on Pump #3. ITT has submitted a bill for \$3500. It was asked if there is a warranty on the lift station.
- B. Railings and clarifiers have been fixed. Motors in the ditch have been making strange noises and need inspection.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Davis Racing would like permission to close Midway St. from his business on US 52 to the south alleyway on a Sunday, May 1st. Wortman's and the Bluebird have no objections. Council member Benefiel moved to close Midway St. on May 1st. Council member Justus 2nd. 3 ayes. 0 nos.
- B. It was stated that a sidewalk is needed on Johnson St. due to it being a high traffic street for children walking to school.
- C. Police Department is looking into grants for laptops.
- D. A form is needed for community youth groups to sign up for eligibility for grant money from the Town.
- E. New flags are needed to fly at the Town Hall Offices.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

Ralph Henderson
President

Thomas W. Reber
Clerk Treasurer