

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 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 July 24th, 2013 meeting were presented. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the July 24, 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 Larry Tracy seconded the motion 5 aye's, 0 no's.

II. POG SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to continue the \$500.00 annual contribution to the POG Scholarship Fund. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

III COMPUTER FOR BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB:

Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to give a used computer to the Morristown Boys and Girls Club after all data has been removed. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

IV: WATER STUDY:

Public Hearing for the water study did not get advertised on time and will be at 7 P.M. on August 28, 2013.

V: EASEMENT:

Legal Council Mark McNeely presented an AGREEMENT GRANTING EASEMENT for the water, wastewater and drive to the proposed new fire station. After review Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to approve the AGREEMENT GRANTING EASEMENT. Council Member William White seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

VI: SKATEBOARDING:

A group of young Morristown citizens made a presentation concerning skateboarding. Mr. Brian Stevens speaker person for the group presented plans for a skateboard area to possibly be placed in the park. Council Members encouraged Mr. Stevens to pursue the idea of the group and to come back to a future council meeting.

VII: TREE TRIMMING:

Caleb Osborne presented a cost estimate to trim trees in alleys and streets of Morristown. Crouse Tree Trimming will do the work for \$1,200.00 per day. Council Member David Benefiel made a motion to accept the proposal from Crouse. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

VIII: DITCH WATER TESTING:

Council Member David Benefiel asked Caleb Osborne if we could sample open ditches running through Morristown. Mr. Osborne will gather samples for testing.

IX: MORRISTOWN FACEBOOK:

Sara Goedde was in attendance complaining about being deleted from the Morristown Facebook page. A heated discussion took place. No action at this time.

Continuation of August 14, 2013 meeting: August 15, 2013

**X: FIRE STATION:**

After a discussion it was decided to have various committees of the fire station project to report back to the council within 30 days. The Clerk-Treasurer and the Legal Council are to contact the State Board of Accounts for an opinion of having a lease without bidding the fire station.

**XI: TOWER MAINTENANCE:**

Mr. Osborne stated that the large water tower was undergoing a maintenance check while Bunge was shut down.

**XI: COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE AFTER THE AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup> MEETING;**

- A: USE PODIUM TO SPEAK FROM
- B: STATE YOUR NAME AND SUBJECT
- C. LIMIT COMMENTS TO 3 MINUTES

**XII: MORRISTOWN FACEBOOK PAGE:**

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion that Morristown Facebook is a statement of fact only and anything else will be deleted. Council Member William White seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

**XIII: MEETING PROCEDURES:**

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion that the following meeting procedures would be followed:

- A. Speak from a podium
- B. State your name and subject matter
- C. Time Limit At Podium to be 3 to 5 minutes
- D. ~~No Tape Recording~~ Delete Out - Correction

Council Member William White seconded the motion. 5 aye's 0 no's

**XIV: Adjournment:**

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

Ralph Henderson, President

Donald L. Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer