

MORRISTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 10, 2021
FIRE STATION TRAINING ROOM

President David Benefiel called the meeting to order, present were Ralph Henderson, Tammy Davis, Kristi Langkabel and Larry Tracy. Also present was: Town Attorney Mark McNeely and Clerk-Treasurer Don Roberts.

Minutes of the January 27, 2021. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve minutes as presented. Council Member David Benefiel seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 4/0

Minutes of the February 3, 2021 Executive Session. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to Approve the February 3, 2021 Executive Session minutes as written. Council Member Kristi Langkabel Seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Claims presented were approved on a motion by Council Member Larry Tracy seconded by Council Member Kristi Langkabel Henderson. Vote 4/0

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Jerry Klinker from Ohio Valley Gas Co. was in attendance to inform the council that his company had purchased Fountaintown Gas Co. Mr. Klinker stated they were a family owned company and willing to work with the community.

Old BUSINESS:

Plan Commission Director, Electrical and Plumbing Inspector:

Council Members decided to give Jessie Berling a try for ninety days as a replacement for Randy Reed. Mr. Reed has offered his assistance to the Town in training Mr. Berling. Discussion about how to change the salary ordinance to compensate Mr. Berling and Mr. Reed. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to have the Clerk-Treasurer come up With a suggested payscale for Mr. Berling and Mr. Reed. Council Member Kristi Langkabel Seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

It was decided to purchase up to date electric and plumbing code books.

DESIGN STUDY:

Mader Design presented a Letter of Agreement (Landscape Architecture Services Morristown Vision Planning).

After discussion Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to accept the Letter of Agreement From Mader Design. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0 Time line 4 to 5 months.

CLERK-TREASURER:

ATM Machine:

Clerk-Treasurer presented an e-mail stating that First Merchants were no longer interested

In placing an ATM machine on Town of Morristown property.

BANK CLOSING:

Clerk-Treasurer presented an e-mail from the State Board of Accounts on what we would need to do in reference to the bank closing. Town Council could designate a bank out of the county if it so chooses.

Water Line East of River Road:

Clerk-Treasurer stated he was obtaining estimates for materials for the 6 and 8 inch main extension.

Heavy Trash Pick-UP:

Council Members stated the Town would not pay for any heavy trash pickup items.

GMC TRUCK:

Council Members decided to accept bids for the ½ ton GMC pickup truck at the February 24th Council meeting.

LEGAL:

Mr. Mark McNeely presented Ordinance 2021-01 (AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF NO PARKING SIGNS ON INDUSTRIAL DRIVE). Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-01 on first reading. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2021-01 so it could pass on second and final reading. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-01 on final reading. Council Member Tamera Davis seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

House Bill 1187:

This bill would change how the Redevelopment Commission operated. School board member would be able to vote and funds would have to be shared with other taxing units. Council member Larry Tracy made a motion to have the Town Attorney send a letter stating that Morristown opposed this bill. Council Member David Benefiel seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Nothing to report.

Street, Water and Wastewater:

Don Smith presented a quote for lights on the new pick-up trucks. Quote from Waymire for each truck would be \$2,293.19. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to proceed. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0
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Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to approve logo decals for the doors for

Ninety-five dollars. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion approved.
Vote 5/0

MISCELLANEOUS:

Nothing.

PLEASE CONTINUE SAFE DISTANCING AND WEARING MASKS.

ADJOURN:

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

David Benefiel, President

Don Roberts – Clerk-Treasurer
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