

MORRISTOWN TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
July 26, 2023  
**FIRE STATION TRAINING ROOM**

President David Benefiel called the meeting to order, present were Kristi Langkabel, Ralph Henderson, Tamera Davis, and Larry Tracy. Also present were: Town Attorney Grace Dillow, Cynthia Bedrick and Clerk-Treasurer Don Roberts.

Minutes of the July 12, 2023. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve minutes as written. Council Member Tamera Davis seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 4/0,

Claims presented were approved on a motion by Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded by Council Member Larry Tracy The motion passed. Vote 5/0

**OLD BUSINESS:**

217 E. Fletcher Street.  
Law suit has been dismissed.  
Clean up and remodeling of the house has started.

**Stop Sign South Street and Poplar:**

No changes. Enforce the stop sign.

**PETITION FOR ANNEXIATION:**

The public hearing for the petition will be held on August 23, 2023 at 7 p.m. In the Morristown Junior-Senior Cafeteria, 223 S. Patterson St., Morristown, Indiana. Reason: More room, air conditioned and PA System.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PROCLAMATION**

**Town Council President David Benefiel read a proclamation:  
FOR MORRISTOWN JUNIOR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL FUTURE FARMERS OF  
AMERICA DAY**

**Copy made a part of these minutes**

**Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to purchase a sign honoring  
The Discovery Degree Quiz Bowl champions. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded  
The motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0**

**Drainage U.S. 52:**

**Mr. Leigh Langkabel was in attendance concerning the storm water issue along  
U.S. 52 in front of the Kopper Kettle. The town needs to do something to solve  
This issue. Water comes from various parking lots along US 52. No storm water  
Inlets for these parking lots. Council Members asked the Town Attorney to draft  
A letter to INDOT concerning this issue.**

**Clerk-Treasurer:**

**Letter of resignation from Morgan Stratton. Council Member Ralph Henderson Made a motion to accept. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion Approved. Vote 5/0**

**Financial Statements:**

Clerk-Treasurer presented bank statements, fund report and bank reconciliations For various town accounts for council review and signature.

Wood chipper has been ordered.

Clerk-Treasurer looking in to a better way to send out utility bills.

**Police Department:**

**DERBY DAY PERMIT:**

Received.

**Legal:**

Nothing

**STREET, WATER AND WASTEWATER:**

**Don Smith presented comments he had with INDOT concerning the US 52 water Issue.**

**MUNICIPAL PARK:**

Nothing new to report.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**Morristown Community Development Partnership Report:**

Dede Allender went over the report. We are still short money needed for the playground Equipment. Still hoping we will get more donations.

Dede stated she was pursuing an outside donation for trees in the park for \$7,000.00. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve the Donation. Council Member Kristi Langkabel seconded the motion. Motion Approved. Vote 5/0

**Planning Commission:**

Looking into a grant to update Morristown's Master Plan.

**ADJOURN:**

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

David Benefiel, President

Don Roberts – Clerk-Treasurer

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