

MORRISTOWN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

~~August 23, 2023~~ *Sept 13, 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 was Clerk-Treasurer Don Roberts.

Minutes of the August 23, 2023. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve minutes as written. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

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

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED 2024 Budget:

Town Council President opened the Public Hearing for the 2024 Budget.

Clerk-Treasurer went over the 2024 Town of Morristown Budget. Stated there was a little growth. Clerk-Treasurer asked if there was any questions. 2024 budget will be passed at the September 27 council meeting.

Noted changes for 2024: No budget item for the clerk in the Clerk-Treasurers office.

Clerk-Treasurer reported that if full time paid fireman was requested money could be available.

Proposed Annexation.

Mr. Jeff Powell presented a PETITION FOR ANNEXIATION INTO THE TOWN OF MORRISTOWN, INDIANA. This petition was from Home O.P.T.I.O.N.S.

Location 10620 North 300 East, Morristown, IN Parcel Number 73-03-11-100-.38.000-007

Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to accept the petition and for the Town To move forward with the Petition For Annexation. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Craney Building :

Council Member Tamera Davis went over the quotes for the Craney Building. After discussion Council Member Larry Tracy made the following motion to accept the quote from:

Cardinal Construction for the Flute Fill TPO System for the roof. \$35,970.00

SPG Roofing & Exterior for the doors and windows. \$46,886.31

Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk-Treasurer presented a letter from McNeely Law LLP stating a Termination of Representation. Letter made a part of these minutes.

Traffic Issues:

ORIGINAL

Discussed stop sign at Johnson Street and South Washington.
Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to purchase two signs for \$5,000.00 and to cut back trees at South Street and Poplar.
Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Bunge presented the proposed truck route for the soybean harvest season.

Clerk-Treasurer:

Clerk-Treasurer presented e-mail communication with Mr. Briane House concerning legal representation for the Town of Morristown. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to pursue the hiring of Mr. Briane House as the Town Attorney for Morristown. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0
Clerk-Treasurer went over the bank reconciliation and fund balances for August.

Police Department:

Marshal Albrecht presented SOP'S from Indiana Law Enforcement Training Board. These SOP'S can not be changed.

Legal:

Nothing

STREET, WATER AND WASTEWATER:

Don Smith reported that we had an IDEM inspection at the wastewater treatment plant and the inspection went very well.

MUNICIPAL PARK:

David Brush, Park Director stated changes need to be made to the archery range.

TREES:

Lisa Bridges presented and update on the Morristown Community Development Partnership.

Playground update \$105,814 has been raised, equipment on order.

Tree Project:

This project has been approved.

Council Member Kristi Langkabel made a motion to approve all projects and for them To move forward. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Council Members Davis and Henderson will help with the planting of the trees.

Issues:

Morristown Boys and Girls Club need to take better care of the concession stand.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Brad Trittippo presented quotes for the Public Access for Public Meetings:

BIS \$36,933.41

Interview Room: \$20115.76

Vault: \$31,394.50

Panopto: \$10,000.00

Mr. Trittipo went over the Pros and Cons for each quote.

After discussion Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to go with BIS.

Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion Approved.

Vote 5/0

ADJOURN:

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


David Benefiel, President



Don Roberts – Clerk-Treasurer

September 13, 2023