

MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Regular Meeting Monday, June 04, 2018 7:00 P.M.

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Council Present: Mayor Kurt Wolf, Council Members-Lisa Karsten, Kathy Wolf, Tim Flaten

Council Absent: Seth Prescher

Others Present: City Attorney Mark Rahrick, City Engineer Rich Revering, Rice County Deputy Sheriff Trevor Peterson, Public Works Director Tim Minske, Jack Schwichtenberg, Fire Chief Troy Dahle, Assistant Fire Chief Adam Uittenbogaard, Zoning Board Member Mark Morris, Commercial Club President Dan Morris, City Administrator Brad Potter and City Clerk/Treasurer Sheri Gregor.

- 1. The regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7:04 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at 402 S. Division Street, by Mayor Kurt Wolf.
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Additions/Corrections to the Agenda:

Brad Potter adds to Unfinished Business, B. Compost/Burn Site. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Kathy Wolf, and carried unanimously to approve the Agenda, with the one addition.

4. Consent Agenda:

Troy Dahle asks to pull the Fire Department Report. Sheri Gregor stated the May 17th Zoning Board minutes are not in the Consent Agenda packet. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Tim Flaten, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda, minus the Fire Department Report and the Zoning Board May 17, 2018 minutes. Fire Chief Troy Dahle requests the Council's approval to open up applications for new fire department members. Currently the department has 23 members, some of which may retire in the next few years. Troy would like to see adding at least four new members. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Kathy Wolf, and carried unanimously to allow the Fire Department to advertise for additional firefighters. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Tim Flaten, and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department Report.

5. Comments and Suggestions from Citizens Present:

None

6. Unfinished Business:

- A. The Council had demonstrations (at the last meeting) and received information on floor scrubbers and their cost, to aid them in their decision making. After conversing, the Council request for the Clerk to look back at minutes and listen to the audio tapes to find what originated this request and what was budgeted to obtain a new scrubber. It was questioned whether we need to purchase one.
- B. Brad Potter presented the Council with options on addressing the problem out at the compost/burn site. Signage, fencing, key entrance, surveillance, camera, motion lights, administrative fines, or to close the compost site were all discussed. This item will be revisited at the Council meeting on Monday, July 02, 2018.

7. New Business:

- A. Due to Monday, September 03, 2018 being Labor Day, the regular City Council meeting is rescheduled for Monday, September 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m..
- B. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Kathy Wolf, and carried unanimously to add "City Administrator" to the "Purpose" and "Scope" sections of the "City of Morristown Investment Policy".
- C. Brad Potter presented the Council with his outlook on city investments and future projects. The Council likes the plan laid out by Brad and updates will be given in future meetings.
- D. Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Kathy Wolf, and carried unanimously to approve the Public Works Mower-Part-Time job description, to authorize the City Administrator and Public Works Director to post and hire a part-time mowing position at \$12.00 an hour.

8. Correspondence and Announcements:

Zoning Board to hold a Public Hearing Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. to consider amending Section §152.092 of the City Code "Construction on Lots of Record" and §152.094 "Lot Design Standards", allowing to reduce the minimum lot width of minimum of 80 lineal feet. Kurt Wolf informed the Council of a "Thank You" note received from the Miss Morristown Committee, for our assistance in the pageant. Kurt Wolf announced he will be attending the 2018 MN Annual Conference, June 20-22 in St. Cloud. Brad Potter will attend, and invited the Council, to the June 12th Rice County Board of Commissioners meeting, where officials from MN-Dot will present the 10-year transportation plan for Southeast MN, and specifically within Rice County.

9. Claims and Accounts:

Motion by Lisa Karsten, seconded by Kathy Wolf, and carried unanimously approving to pay the June 04, 2018 Current Claims and Accounts totaling \$10,871.27 from the General Fund, \$1,336.85 from the Fire Department Fund, \$1,786.16 from the Water Operations Fund, \$5,200.41 from the Wastewater Operations Fund and \$870.50 from the Refuse Fund; and the June 04, 2018 Late Claim and Accounts totaling \$4,171.94 from the General Fund, \$98.63 from the Fire Department Fund, \$329.86 from the Water Operations Fund, \$2,879.11 from the Wastewater Operations Fund and \$35.00 from the Refuse Fund, as presented.

10. Council Discussion and Concerns:

Items such as the Dog Park, Public Works cell phone, overtime/emergency pay and compensation will, at some point, be brought back onto future agendas.

11. Adjournment:

Motion by Tim Flaten, second by Lisa Karsten, and carried unanimously to adjourn. Adjournment was at 8:10 p.m..

12. Next Regular Meetings: - Monday June 18, 2018 and Monday, July 02, 2018

Lisa Karsten, Assistant Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri Gregor, City Clerk/Treasurer