

MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting January 6, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, January 6, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; John Schlie, Don Nordmeier, Randy Meschke, Dennis Merritt, Darrel Hopman, Larry Dahle and Doreen Lietzau.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to correct page 3, paragraph 4 of the minutes of the December 2, 1996, meeting to read "Motion by Vollbrecht, seconded by Melchert and carried to grant Ryan's request to work from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m." instead of 4:30 p.m. and to approve the minutes as corrected and printed and also to approve the minutes of the Truth In Taxation meeting held December 3, 1996, and the special meeting held December 4, 1996, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$5,602.03 in the Checking Account and \$601,984.78 in the Investment Account for the month ending December 31, 1996.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of December, 1996 as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of December, 1996, as presented.

A letter from attorney Maren Swanson was read recommending the city award the bid for a 1997 chassis one ton truck to the lowest bidder, Steffens GM-Chrysler. Their bid was \$21,118.41. A letter was from Don Nordmeier pointing out that the difference between the bid and the bid from Nordmeier Bros. was \$381.59. present Don was and asked that it be recorded in the minutes that the bid Nordmeier Bros. included boot covers and a 105 amp generator \$180 which would make the difference between the bids approximately \$200. He also asked that each bidder be given a chance to modify

his bid if any items are deleted or added to the original bid specifications. Dennis Merritt and Randy Meschke said the Fire Department wants to stay with the original specifications and that because of the time factor and the cost of rebidding they recommended that it not be rebid. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to accept the low bid of \$21,118.41 from Steffens GM-Chrysler. Dulas, Felix, Melchert and Wenker voted yes. Nordmeier abstained from voting.

It was questioned whether the blower at the wastewater plant has been repaired. Ryan Mogard is to contact C. Emery Nelson Inc. to see what has been done.

It was discussed whether there is a broken air line going into the wastewater plant as there is air coming out around the sidewalk. Larry Dahle mentioned that they just finished hauling sludge and cleaning the hoses so that may have solved the problem.

It was decided that Ryan Mogard should remove the snow from all of the fire hydrants and place markers on those that may be difficult to see for someone grading snow from the streets.

It was questioned whether Ryan Mogard has someone to operate the wastewater plant and remove snow on the days he is sick or on vacation. It was suggested that he make arrangements with either Dave Shafer or Randy Baumgard to remove snow when he away from the city.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the December, 1996; maintenance report as printed.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held on December 19, 1996:

- 1. Arnell Anderson, Jim Donahoe and Diane Pitan expressed interest in serving on the Zoning Board. It was recommended that Arnell Anderson and Diane Pitan be appointed to serve and that a letter be sent to Jim Donahoe thanking him for his interest in placing his name for consideration.
- 2. The Zoning Board elected Doreen Lietzau to serve as chair person of the Zoning Board
- It was discussed whether Dave Meschke is required to hard surface the area around and into his storage sheds along Highway 60. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to appoint Arnell Anderson and Diane Pitan to serve on the Zoning Board as recommended by the Zoning Board.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report as presented.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that Dave Huber submitted his resignation as Emergency Management Director. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept Dave Huber's resignation. Steve Nordmeier volunteered to see if there is someone from the Fire Department who is interested in the position and, if not, to advertise on Channel 7 for an Emergency Management Director.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that the wind measuring device order by the Skywarn committee was returned because it was not weather proof and that a different one was ordered. A power supply unit was also ordered.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the Emergency Management report as presented.

Larry Dahle was present seeking direction concerning plans and specifications the council will require for street street improvements and adequate storm water drainage and what type of inspections will be required for South Dahle Addition. It was decided to have a joint meeting with the Zoning Board to discuss the requirements of the Subdivision Ordinance.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed and late claims totaling \$2,621.13 from the General Fund, \$1,732.08 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$400.69 from the Water Fund and \$233.58 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$5,273.66 from the General Fund, \$5,974.86 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$37.50 from the Water Fund and \$356.98 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried to pay the 1996 firemen's reimbursement totaling \$5,885. Dulas, Felix and Melchert voted yes; Nordmeier and Wenker abstained from voting.

The redrafted curfew ordinance incorporating the changes the council made at the meeting held December 2, 1996, was presented. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to pass Resolution 1997- 1 adopting Ordinance 155. A copy of the ordinance in on file with the city clerk.

Resolution 1997-1

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN, MINNESOTA, to adopt Ordinance 155 entitled "An Ordinance Relating to Juvenile Curfews" and to publish it one time in the Faribault Daily News, the city's official newspaper.

Adopted this 6th day of January, 1997. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the 1997 appointments. The appointments were as follows:

Official Depositor Public Health Official Newspaper Police Officer City Clerk City Treasurer Acting Mayor Animal control Officer Community Education Community Hall Fire Commissioner Police Commissioner Street Commissioner Park Commissioner Water Commissioner Sanitary Sewer/Solid Waste Weeds/Trees Zoning Board Members

Revolving Loan Fund

Fire Wardens

State Bank of Morristown Rice County Environmental Services Faribault Daily News Randy Baumgard Virginia Schmidtke Charles Krenik Dale Dulas Harlan Melchert Jeff Wenker Harlan Melchert Steve Felix Steve Felix Steve Nordmeier Dale Dulas Jeff Wenker Jeff Wenker Dale Dulas Richard Sammon, Commissioner Arnell Anderson George Leppert Doreen Lietzau Diane Pitan Lawrence Wille Virginia Schmidtke, Secretary Jim Buscho George Leppert Reuben Krause Phil Wegner, Alternate Ernest Nordmeier John Schlie Steve Nordmeier

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to have a work session on Monday, January 27, 1997, starting at 6:30 p.m. The council will invite the Zoning Board members to discuss the Subdivision Ordinance. Other items which may be discussed are the Community Hall remodeling plans and short and long range goals.

Steve Nordmeier reported that the Fire Department donated \$15,000 to the city to be used to build a new city hall. It was decided to contact Mr. Pye to see whether their property at the corner of Main Street and Division Street is for sale and to contact the Rice County Housing and Redevelopment Authority regarding whether grants are available for multi-use buildings.

Discussion was held concerning whether to provide workers compensation coverage for injuries to elected officials. Cost to provide the coverage is approximately \$84 per year. The matter will be discussed again at the next council meeting.

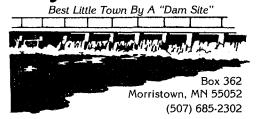
Steve Nordmeier reported that he contacted Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer, concerning obtaining an access from Sidney Street to County Road 16 and that the County may be able to include building an approach in the 1997 County Road 16 improvement project. It was decided to check into land ownership and/or easements.

The following correspondence was received:

- A. A Letter from James Girard, Commissioner with the Minnesota Department of Revenue, regarding the proposed statewide increase in 1997 property taxes.
- B. A notice from the Minnesota Association of Small Cities concerning a Tax Increment Financing Seminar to be held March 5th in Rochester. Cost of the seminar is \$50 per person.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session January 27 1997

The Morristown City Council held a work session on Monday, January 27, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Clerk and Zoning Board members Doreen Lietzau, Arnell Anderson, Diane Pitan and Lawrence Wille. Council member Dale Dulas and Zoning members Richard Sammon and George Leppert were absent.

The items addressed were:

- 1. South Dahle Addition
 - A. It was discussed to hire Dan Behrens to assist in reviewing plans and specification and to monitor construction of Dahle Addition.
 - B. It was discussed to notify Larry Dahle that he must provide grading and drainage plans as per letter from RCM dated June 28, 1996.
 - C. Discussion was held concerning whether to require Larry to either dedicate a percentage of the subdivision area for parks or require a payment to the City of a sum equal to a percentage of the market value of the land as per Section 5.5 of the Subdivision Ordinance.
 - D. Troy Dahle and Tim Strobel presented a storm sewer and street grade plan. The plan will be given to Dan Behrens for review.
 - E. Options were discussed for street improvement:
 - a. The city assess the property owners after the street is developed.
 - b. Escrow money as the lots are sold.
 - c. Require Larry to pave the streets as the streets are developed.
 - F. It was decided to discuss the need to improve Third Street where it crosses the drainage ditch at another council. meeting.

Ed Strobel was present and submitted an application for a conditional use permit. The matter will be discussed as the Zoning Board meeting January 30, 1997.

It was discussed that Virginia Schmidtke is to contact Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer, regarding application for access driveways from County Road 16 to Sidney Street.

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Dale Dulas reported that a hydrant by the football field needs repair.

It was discussed to ask Ryan Mogard to attend the city council meetings.

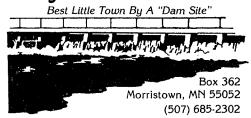
Virginia Schmidtke presented information on a Picture-It-Painted grant available through the Initiative Fund.

Dale Dulas arrived at 8:55 p.m.

It was discussed to work on the Community Hall project at the next Council work session.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtle



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting February 3, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, February 3, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Ryan Mogard, Water Wastewater Operator; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Jim Donahoe, Kelly Roehrick, Larry Dahle, Troy Dahle and Tim Strobel.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held January 6, 1997, and the minutes of the work session held January 27, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$5,265.60 in the Checking Account and \$589,984.78 in the Investment Account for the month ending January 31, 1997.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of January, 1997, as printed.

Discussion was held concerning whether to purchase a police car in 1997. It was decided that Randy Baumgard should present the council with more information such as current mileage, maintenance and repair items that need to be addressed and the amount of capital outlay monies that are available.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of January, 1997, as printed.

A letter was received from the Waterville Lions Club asking for monetary contributions for the City of Waterville to be used toward a new pumper/aerial ladder/tele-squirt fire truck. There was no interest in contributing towards the truck

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried to approve the Fire Department Officers as elected at the Firemen's annual meeting January 13, 1997. The officers include Fire Chief Ernest Nordmeier, Assistant Fire Chief John Schlie, Secretary Leon Gregor, Training Officer Darrel Hopman and Captains Bradley Sammon and Steve Nordmeier. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Melchert, and Wenker voted yes. Nordmeier abstained from voting.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the January, 1997, maintenance report as printed.

Ryan Mogard recommended that the city retain UC Laboratories to do the monthly wastewater testing. Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories currently does the testing. Savings to the City would be approximately \$624 per year. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to change from MVTL to UC Lab.

A letter was received from C. Emery Nelson, Inc. with regard to repairing the blower at the wastewater treatment plant. It was noted that to rebuild the blower to operate efficiently would be expensive and they recommended that a new blower be purchased. Motion by Melchert seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to purchase a new blower. Cost for the blower is \$6,055 less \$1,634 which has already been paid towards repairing the blower.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant approval to Ryan Mogard to attend the Minnesota Rural Water Association technical conference March 4-6 in St. Cloud and the 60th annual wastewater operation seminar March 19-21 in Bloomington and to pay the registration fees, lodging and mileage.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay \$250 to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the 1996 water appropriation fee.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker to purchase chains for the tractor from Faribo Farm and Home. Cost of the chains is \$353.95.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held February 3, 1997 at 6:30 p.m:

- 1. An application from Dahle Enterprises to demolish the Morristown Township Hall at 117 Division Street North was approved.
- 2. A motion was passed to conduct a public hearing on a request from Ed Strobel for a conditional use permit for a recreational vehicles sales and service business at 801 State Highway 60. The hearing will be held February 27, 1997, at 7:30 p.m.
- 3. An application from Joe Kabes to move his garage and build an addition to it was tabled until more information is received.
- An application from Richard Shankey to build a house was withdrawn.
- Discussion was held concerning interpretation of "motorized vehicle" in Section 3 of the Zoning Ordinance. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report as presented.

It was decided not to take any action concerning the Emergency Management Director position until after the next Fire Department meeting.

Steve Nordmeier asked for clarification regarding hard surfacing of driveways to unattached buildings. Doreen Lietzau read Section 3.6B.13 of the Zoning Ordinance which states that any accessory structure whether attached or unattached capable of storing one or more motorized vehicles shall be provided with a hard surfaced driveway. It was mentioned that this includes all zoning districts.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$6,120.85 from the General Fund, \$2,646.16 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$21,717.42 from the Water Fund and \$1,180.18 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$4,444.36.

Larry Dahle presented a list of items that have been addressed at past council meetings and items that still need to be addressed by the council. Discussion and actions taken are as follows:

- Dedication of Third Street S.E. It was determined that a motion was passed to dedicate the street but final paperwork has not been submitted by the attorney.
- 2. Larry questioned whether the city attorney has modified the thirty foot utility easement. Virginia Schmidtke stated that this has not been done.
- 3. Larry questioned whether RCM has developed minimum standards for utility and road construction. This has not been done.
- 4. Discussion was held concerning whether or not to require seven percent of the subdivision be dedicated as parks, playgrounds, or public lands or because of locations, size or other require, in lieu of land dedication, a payment to the City for a sum equal to seven percent of the market value of the land to subdivided as per Section 5.5 A and B of the Subdivision Larry offered to donate \$1,000 to be used parks in lieu of donating a portion of the subdivision. Motion by Wenker seconded by Melchert and carried to accept Larry's offer to pay \$1,000 to the city for the parks after fifty percent of the subdivision is completed. Council members Felix, Melchert, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes. Dulas voted no.
- 5. Discussion was held concerning whether to hire Dan Berhns as project engineer for the city or employ Bolton and Menk who is Larry's engineer. Larry agreed to have Bolton and Menk prepare drainage and grading plans. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to hire Bolton and Menk and to go with their recommendations.

- 6. Doreen Lietzau, Zoning Board Chairman, mentioned that the final plat needs to be reviewed by the Zoning Board before it is approved by the Council.
- 7. Larry asked whether the city is going to hire an inspector to do all the inspections or train Ryan to do some of it, what the exact cost will be and who is going to pay for the cost of the inspections. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier to table the inspection discussion until the Council meets with Bolton and Menk.
- 8. Discussion was held concerning whether or not the streets in South Dahle Addition should be blacktopped, who should pay for the blacktop and when it should be done. It was discussed that the streets should be blacktopped but not until the subdivision project is completed. Larry proposed that the streets be blacktopped by assessments when petitions are received by the property owners. It was the general consensus of the council to accept the proposal but no formal action was taken.
- 9. Discussion was held concerning a request by Larry that the city pay for one-half of the cost to blacktop Sidney Street East. Larry indicated that he would prepare the base and place gravel on the road. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried that the city pay for the cost of tarring one-half of Sidney Street on the city's property, that the road be a five ton road and to pave the street after the development along that street is done. Council members voted as follows: Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes, Dulas and Melchert voted no.

Jim Donahoe presented an offer from Kelly Roehrick to purchase Lot 4, Block 2, Meschke South Haven Addition contingent upon the City agreeing to gravel and maintain the south portion of 2nd Street S.W. from Sidney Street to the drainage ditch. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously not to accept the offer and to withdraw the sale of Lot 4, Block 2, Meschke South Haven Addition from the market.

Darin Feist and Kelly Yahnke, Bolten and Menk, Inc., were present to discuss proposed improvements to the wastewater treatment plant. They presented the following cost estimates:

- Lime stabilization with sludge drying beds \$336,500
- 2. Aeration basin modifications \$69,500
- 3. Pretreatment improvements \$102,000.
- 3. Clarifier and disinfection modifications \$278,500

If the improvements are designed as one complete project, the estimated cost for doing all the improvements is \$772,000. Item number one has been submitted to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and has been approved. Items two, three and four may be added as an Addendum to the plan. Mr. Yahnke stated that the city has been approved to receive a \$336,500 low interest loan. He stated there will be no additional costs to the city for Bolton and Menk to submit an Addendum to MPCA. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and

carried unanimously to have Bolton and Menk, Inc. submit Amendment Number One to the Morristown Facilities Plan to the Minnesota Pollution. A copy of the complete proposal is on file for inspection.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to submit an application to the Rice County Highway Department to obtain accesses from Sidney Street to County Road 16 so the County can include building of the approaches in the 1997 County Road 16 improvement project.

There was no interest in applying for a Picture-It-Painted grant.

Discussion was held concerning whether to provide personal accident insurance and/or workers compensation coverage for elected officials. It was decided not to provide these coverages.

There was no interest in attending the Conference for Newly Elected Officials.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to allow Bethlehem Lutheran Church's AAL Branch to use the Community Hall February 22, 1997, free of charge for a benefit as requested.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the salary of the police officer who worked at the teen dance December 29, 1996.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to enter into an agreement with the Rice County Humane Society for impounding of stray animals from the City of Morristown.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the 1996 financial statement as presented.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve a vacation request submitted by Virginia Schmidtke.

Virginia Schmidtke stated that she is unable to attend the MCFOA conference in March.

The following correspondence was received:

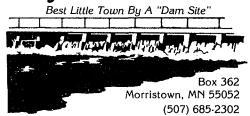
- A. A letter was received from Tom Neuville offering to meet with the Council to discuss legislative issues.
- B. A notice was received from the Initiative Fund announcing a Regional Collaborator Forum for Tourism to be held February 27, 1997 in Owatonna. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept Virginia Schmidtke's offer to attend the meeting.

- C. A franchise fee payment of \$3,660.53 and financial statement for 1996 was received from Cannon Valley Cablevision.
- D. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send one person to a tax increment finance seminar if someone wants to attend the seminar.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to have a work session/special meeting Monday, February 24, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. Discussion will include the remodeling of the Community Hall, a new city office building, investments, appointment of a city attorney and South Dahle Addition if drainage and grading plans have been received. Doreen Lietzau requested that the Zoning Board members be notified if the South Dahle Addition is to be discussed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting February 24 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, February 24, 1997, at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Clerk; Ryand Mogard, Water/Wastewater Operator; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer and Zoning Board members Doreen Lietzau and George Leppert. Also present were Bolton and Menk engineers Kelly Yahnke and Darin Feist; Larry Dahle and Darrel Hopman.

Kelly Yahnke and Darin Feist were present to discuss improvements to the wastewater treatment facility. They presented an engineering agreement to amend the Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan and engineering services to prepare plans and specifications. The not-to-exceed cost is \$47,500 or 6.7 percent of the estimated construction costs. The not-to-exceed costs for the construction management and on-site observation services is \$75,000. estimated that user rates would raise from \$15.35 per anywhere from \$18.09 - \$25.59 per month depending upon the of the project. Mr. Yahnke recommended that the Facility Plan amended and submitted to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency approval, that the plans and specifications be prepared as outlined in the Wastewater Facilities Plan and the revisions in Amendment 1 to the Plan, and that the council then decide how to bid out Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to table the matter until the March 3, 1997, meeting.

Bolton and Menk engineers Mark Kasma and Jeff Domras were present to discuss engineering services to the City for the South They presented a sample subdivision regulations ordinance for the council to consider. They also presented a Standard Specifications manual for water, sanitary sewer and improvements. Mr. Kasma stated that Bolton and Menk would train Ryan Mogard to do inspections if the City would sign a waiver for insurance. He recommended that Bolton and Menk do some inspection. No formal action was taken. Mr. Kasma recommended that the subdivision streets be constructed using the following criteria: to require 7 ton roads throughout the subdivision with 28 feet of the street paved and with 2 foot shoulders, 10 inches of gravel base with 3 inches of bituminous, 4 to 1 side slopes with 4 foot minimum bottom on ditches, minimum grade of street should be .5 percent, minimum driveway ditch should be two feet and 15 inch culverts should be

required in driveways. Mr. Kasma offered to develop the standard specifications manual and the subdivision regulations free of charge to the city.

Attorney Jeffrey Johnson was present and expressed interest in serving as city attorney. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to retain Kurt Fischer as city attorney. Council members Felix, Melchert, Nordmeier, and Wenker voted yes, Dulas voted no.

Discussion was held with regard to remodeling the Community Hall and building a new city offices/meeting room building. Dale Dulas, Jeff Wenker, George Leppert, Dennis Merritt, and representatives of the Commercial Club, Jaycees and Historical Society were appointed to a committee to consider various options, prepare plans and look into cost estimates.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried not to require blacktopping of the streets as part of the South Dahle subdivision project but to blacktop them at a later date either at the discretion of the council or by petition from the property owners. Council members Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes, Dulas and Melchert voted no.

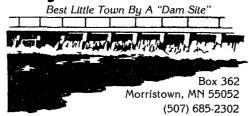
Doreen Lietzau asked the Council to consider adopting the State Building Code.

Randy Baumgard was asked to get cost estimates for a new police car for discussion at the March 3, 1997, council meeting.

The council decided to have Ryan Mogard attend the next council meeting to discuss infiltration of water to the wastewater treatment plant and also to discuss which of the proposed improvements to the sludge treatment and storage system are necessary to construct at this time.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting March 3, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, March 3, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Ryan Mogard, Water Wastewater Operator; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer and Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 3, 1997, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held January 24, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$3,858.05 in the Checking Account and \$610,621.13 in the Investment Account for the month ending February 28, 1997.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of February, 1997, as printed.

Randy Baumgard presented a State bid price of \$19,490 from Bliss Ford for a 1997 Crown Victoria police car. He also presented information concerning current milage, maintenance items that need to be addressed and the amount of capital outlay monies that are available. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to table the matter until Randy has information on the cost of a Tahoe or Lumina police package.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to join the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) organization and pay the \$150 membership fee.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of February, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the February, 1997, maintenance report as printed.

Ryan Mogard presented a report comparing the number of gallons pumped from the water storage tank and the number of gallons pumped The difference is approximately 33,000 wastewater plant per day. gallons per day more that is being pumped from the wastewater It was discussed to check the recorder from the water storage tank. at the plant to see if it is recording correctly, to have Visu-Sewer televise the lines, to smoke test the lines, to reinspect sump and pits of property owners, to make sure no one is pumping a tile or storm sewer into the sanitary sewer system, to install a flow meter and check flows between blocks and/or to examine the manholes. It was decided that Ryan should clean the manholes and inspect for defective or cracked pipes, pipe joints or connections.

Discussion was held regarding improvements to the wastewater Ryan Mogard recommend that the treatment facility. installation drying beds be deleted from the plan but to proceed with plans for storage tank and aeration improvements. Ryan is to contact and Menk Inc. to see if the plans include repair of the Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and unanimously to contract with Bolton and Menk Inc. to amend Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan and prepare all of the plans and specifications including improvements to the middle clarifier and excluding installation of the drying beds with a not-to-exceed of \$47,500.

Doreen Lietzau, Zoning Board Chairman, was present and reported the Zoning Board approved the final plat map from Larry South Dahle Addition, that the date is to be added to the plat and to have the City Attorney prepare a Development Agreement. Mark presented the South Dahle Subdivision project map showed which drainage and street grading plan. Mr. Kasma recommended that no be allowed to build a house less than one and one-half feet street level and that all zoning permits include drainage Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously approve the final plat map and have Kurt Fischer, City prepare a Development Agreement as recommended by the Zoning Board.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously that the city pay the cost of having the City Attorney prepare a thirty foot utility easement from Herb Sorgatz and Larry Dahle pay for the cost of the pipe and restoration of the property.

Discussion was held concerning how much of the inspection of the improvements to South Dahle Addition will be done by Ryan Mogard and how much will be done by Bolton and Menk Inc. No formal action was taken.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held February 27, 1997 at 7:00 p.m:

- 1. It was recommended that a zoning permit be issued to Joe Kabes to move his garage and build an addition to it as per application on file with the understanding that he must hard surface his driveway with either concrete or blacktop.
- 2. It was resolved to recommend to the council that they look into adopting the state building code.
- 3. A Conditional Use Hearing was held to hear reasons for or against a request from Ed Strobel for a conditional use permit to operate a recreational vehicles sales and service business at 801 State Highway 60. No one was present to speak for or against the request. It was recommended that a conditional use permit be granted to Ed Strobel as requested with the following conditions:
 - A. That he blacktop one continuous road from the Highway 60 to the building and to blacktop four parking spaces,
 - B. That he install a well and septic system and,
 - C. That he install a grease trap in the drainage system.
- 4. It was resolved to change the March 27, 1997, Zoning Board meeting to March 20, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to issue a zoning certificate to Joe Kabes as per Zoning Board's recommendation. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to issue Ed Strobel a conditional use permit Zoning Board's recommendation. Motion by Wenker, seconded Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report as presented.

It was decided to discuss adoption of the State Building Code at the next work session/special council meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to appoint Randy Baumgard Emergency Management Director and Dale Dulas Assistant Emergency Management Director. Councilmembers Felix, Melchert, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes, Dulas abstained from voting.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to allow the Skywarn Committee to use the Council Chambers March 4th and April 8th for their meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$4,459.49 from the General Fund, \$695.19 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$402.16 from the Water Fund and \$919.99 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$783.49 from the General Fund, \$3.32 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$50 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

A letter was received from the Rice County Humane Society proposing to collect the City of Morristown's impound fee from the owner and release impounded dogs directly from the shelter. They would then send the fee to the City. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the release procedure as proposed.

A letter from The Initiative Fund regarding a "Housing and Community" community team workshop was discussed. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried to appoint Jeff Wenker to represent the community at the workshop to be held at the Mankato Holiday Inn, April 17 and 18, 1997. Councilmembers Dulas, Felix, Melchert and Nordmeier voted yes, Wenker abstained from voting.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously allow Virginia Schmidtke and Ryan Mogard to attend the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust 1997 Safety and Control Loss 1997 in North Mankato and to their Workshop April 30, pay registration fee and mileage.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried to pay \$500 towards the Dam Days advertising. Councilmembers Dulas, Felix, Melchert and Wenker voted yes, Nordmeier abstained from voting.

An inspection report for well number two located at 410 3rd Street S.E. was reviewed and placed on file. The well was inspected January 14, 1997, by McCarthy Well Company. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the report as presented.

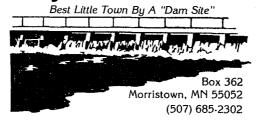
A thank you from AAL Branch 2641 for use of the Community Hall for a benefit was read.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to have a work session/special meeting Monday, March 24, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Discussion will include the remodeling of the Community Hall, a new city office building, review of the Development Agreement for South Dahle Addition, review of the utility easement, review of the document dedicating 3rd Street S.E. to the City, and discussion regarding adoption of the State Building Code.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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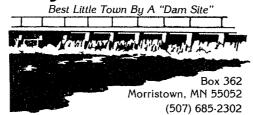
MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting March 24 1997

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, March 24, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Clerk; Kurt Fischer, City Attorney and Doreen Lietzau. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Kurt Fischer presented a draft copy of a subdivision development contract between the City of Morristown and Larry Dahle for review and discussion. Larry Dahle was present and the contract was discussed in detail. Mr. Fischer is to make changes to the draft copy as discussed and submit a copy to Larry for him to review. A copy of the contract is on file with the city clerk.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting April 7, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, April 7, 1997, at 7:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert and Jeffrey Wenker. Steve Nordmeier, Council Member, was absent. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer and Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; John Schlie, Don Nordmeier, Darrel Hopman and Ed Schmidtke.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 3, 1997, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held March 24, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$1,164.46 in the Checking Account and \$604,621.13 in the Investment Account for the month ending March 31, 1997.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of March, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept a bid of \$111.06 for two tires and a bid of \$430.94 for new rear axles, axle seals and rear wheel bearings and labor from Wholesale Tire.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve a request from Randy Baumgard to be paid for 40 hours accumulated vacation time.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to send a bill to the State Bank of Morristown for two false alarm calls and to charge them \$50 per call.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of March, 1997, as printed.

Darrel Hopman reported that the Warsaw Township supervisors requested an adjustment to their 1996 fire protection fee since the tax capacity of Warsaw Township covered by the Morristown Fire Department is 49% instead of 60% as originally estimated. It was determined

that the amount is fair and equitable considering the City is still subsidizing the township's fire protection and the amount is less than Warsaw Township pays the City of Faribault for service to the remaining sections of the Township. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to send them another bill and to thank Darrel Hopman for attending the Warsaw Town meeting and taking care of the matter.

Chief Nordmeier mentioned that the outside water stand pipe at the standby well at the maintenance shop which is used to fill the fire trucks is not pumping fast enough. It was suggested that either a valve may be partially closed or a phase on the pump may not be working. Ryan Mogard is to look into the concern.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the March, 1997, maintenance report as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to hire Herman Schlie to mow the lawns and parks and to work with Ryan as needed with approval from the head of each department and to pay him \$7.50 per hour.

A notice was received from the Minnesota Department of Health informing Ryan Mogard that he passed the written examination for water supply system operator, Class C.

Jeff Wenker reported that the following items need to be repaired on the street sweeper - a headlight is out, the water tank does not hold water, the water pump does not work, the windshield wipers do not work, the strobe light is broke and the hoses need to be looked at. It was decided that Ryan Mogard is get cost estimates to have the sweeper repaired.

It was discussed to sell the tractor mounted sweeper. No action was taken. It was also suggested to look into the cost of contracting to have the streets swept.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held March 27, 1997:

- 1. It was decided to notify Dave Meschke regarding the Zoning Ordinance requirement to hard surface driveways.
- 2. The Board denied a request from American Legion to move in a utility building because they moved the building in before they applied for a permit, they felt it was inappropriate to place the building closer to a neighbor's building then to their own, and because the building was not placed on a hard surface as required by the Zoning Ordinance.

3. Gerald Kokoschke submitted a request for a temporary greenhouse. The request was directed to the council since the the Zoning Board found nothing in the Zoning Ordinance that addressed this issue.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that she spoke with Dave Meschke and the driveway in question will be hard surfaced sometime this summer.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to grant a permit to Gerald Kokoschke for a temporary portable greenhouse and to issue the permit for one year.

Darrel Hopman, American Legion Commander, explained that a utility shed was moved onto the property by someone that did not realize they needed a zoning permit. He stated that the building would be placed on a hard surface as soon as weather permits. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant the permit as requested.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried to approve the Emergency Management report as presented.

Edward Schmidtke was present and requested that Division Street North and 2nd Street N.W. from Franklin Street to Bloomer Street be closed and reserved for handicap parking for Dam Days, especially for the parade Friday night. The council will consider the request at the next regular council meeting.

Motion by Dale Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to appoint Gene Lindahl and Darrel Hopman to on the Cable Television Committee and to negotiate the franchise renewal agreement with Cannon Valley Cablevision.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$6,413.64 from the General Fund, \$1,057.49 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$352.95 from the Water Fund, \$1,503.72 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$175 from the Sanitary Sewer Debt Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$908.51 from the General Fund, \$135.31 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$175 from the Water Fund and \$15 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Claims from Jeff Wenker for nine hours to street sweep and Justin Wenker from seven hours to help clean streets and take down banners was discussed. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried to pass Resolution 1997-2.

Resolution 1997-2

WHEREAS, on Friday, March 28, 1997, it was determined that the streets needed to be swept and,

WHEREAS, a light rain was falling making it ideal conditions for sweeping and,

WHEREAS, Ryan Mogard was not available to sweep the streets and,

WHEREAS, the services provided were as fair a price as could be obtained elsewhere,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN to pay Jeff Wenker and Justin Wenker \$7.50 per hour for street maintenance as requested.

Adopted this 7th day of April, 1997.

Council members voted as follows: Felix, Dulas and Melchert voted yes; Wenker abstained from voting.

Larry Dahle was present and stated that his attorney reviewed a subdivision development contract between the City of Morristown and him, that his attorney and the city's attorney met and discussed some changes that need to be made and that the document will probably be ready to be acted on at the next council meeting.

A request was received from Scott Kokoschke to drain water run off from his property into the city storm sewer. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to enter into an agreement with Scott allowing him to drain the property as requested.

Discussion was held concerning a request from the manager of Sunshine Apartments to remove the weeds, small trees and debris from the city owned property west of the fire hall and north of the baseball fence. The council will inspect the area before the next meeting.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried to allow open burning, by permit only, from April 15, 1997 to May 15, 1997. Council members voted as follows: Felix, Dulas and Melchert voted yes; Wenker voted no.

Virginia Schmidtke announced that the annual dog clinic will be held April 12, 1997, at the Fire Hall from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mayor Felix volunteered to help at the clinic.

Mayor Felix stated that he had been approached by a youth who needs to perform twenty hours of community service. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to have hime help Ryan Mogard by hand sweeping the street corners and painting the curbs.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept a bid from Timm's Trucking for street maintenance services for the year of April 15, 1997 through April 15, 1998. A copy of the bid is on file with the city clerk.

A letter from Jeff Jarvis offering to develop a new logo for the city was discussed. There was no interest to do so at this time.

A request from Three Rivers Community Action, Inc. for a contribution to their organization was denied.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to develop a system of performance measures for services provided by the city.

A letter from Jim Hermel, Morristown Dam Days Parade Chairman, inviting the council to participate in the Dam Days parade was discussed. Mayor Felix was appointed to ride with Randy Baumgard in the parade.

Virginia Schmidtke announced that the annual Board of Review meeting will be held May 6, 1997, at 7:30 p.m.

An invitation to the Rice County Sentence to Service Program informational meeting was received. Randy Baumgard volunteered to attend the meeting which will be held April 15, 1997, in the Rice County Courthouse.

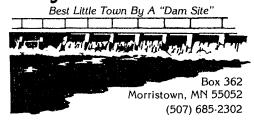
Virginia Schmidtke announced that a Cooperative partnership has been established between the cities of Madison Lake, Janesville, Waterville, Elysian, and Morristown to promote tourism in the area. The next meeting will be Saturday, April 12, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. at the Waterville Cafe.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to have a work session/special meeting Monday, April 28, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Discussion will include the remodeling of the Community Hall, a new city office building, review of the Development Agreement for South Dahle Addition, Dam Days Information, and discussion regarding adoption of the State Building Code. The council will meet a few minutes prior to the meeting to inspect the area north of the baseball field.

It was decided to send a letter to B and W Auto Sales informing them that they are not to park their cars on the sidewalk and boulevard.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting April 28, 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, April 28, 1997, at 7:25 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Council member Harlan Melchert was absent. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Clerk, and Dave Augustin.

The council met with Henry Nagel, manager of Sunshine Apartments, before the meeting to discuss the concern of water runoff on the property west of the fire hall.

Dave Augustin presented an overview of what the Emergency Medical Services are doing in Rice County, what their goals for the future are and what other units of government in Rice County can do to help. He asked the council to encourage Rice and Steel County to add emergency medical dispatch services to the system.

The council adjourned for ten minutes to investigate a request from Mary Denzer to cover a tile on her property with dirt. The council granted permission to her to do so.

There was no information regarding cost estimates to repair the sweeper. Steve Nordmeier was asked to see whether a broom could be mounted on a lawnmower. The matter is to be discussed at the next regular council meeting.

Discussion was held with regard to closing Franklin Street from 2nd Street East to 1st Street East and from 1st Street East to Bloomer Street for handicapped parking during Dam Days. Steve Nordmeier reported that he has submitted a letter to the Rice County Engineer requesting permission to close portions of the County roads. A copy of the request is on file with the City Clerk.

Discussion was held concerning a complaint from Pat O'Brian that debris is being dumped on her property. It was recommended that she contact the neighboring property owner and if the matter cannot be resolved that she file a formal complaint to officer Baumgard.

Discussion was held concerning remodeling of the Community Hall and the building of a new office building. It was decided to meet with an architect from Bolton and Menk on May 19, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss both projects.

Discussion was held with regard to adopting a policy which addresses sidewalks. It was decided to get more information and discuss the matter at another work session/special meeting.

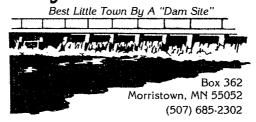
It was discussed to have Ryan Mogard inspect a hole by the N.S.P. pole by the Nordmeier Bros. Chevrolet.

It was discussed not to adopt the State Building Code.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting May 5, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, May 5, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier, and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer, Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Randy Archambault, Herman Schlie, Doreen Lietzau and Larry Dahle.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 7, 1997, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held April 28, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$1,555.03 in the Checking Account and \$605,621.13 in the Investment Account for the month ending April 30, 1997.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of April, 1997, as printed.

Randy Baumgard reported an incident at the Community Hall on May 3, 1997, where the party renting the Hall allowed beer and wine coolers to be brought in during the dance. It was decided to add wine and wine coolers to the list of beverages that cannot be brought in during a dance and to give a copy of the signed rental agreement to the police officer before a dance is held.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of April, 1997, as printed.

A letter from the State Bank of Morristown apologizing for the number of false alarm fire calls at the Bank and explaining the alarm system they installed was received and placed on file.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the peace officer application for license renewal fee of \$15 for Travis Riggott.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to accept Ryan Mogard's resignation as water/wastewater operator and maintenance worker effective May 20, 1997.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held April 24, 1997:

- 1. The Zoning Board approved a zoning permit application from Arnold Mertins to build a garage on the condition that he provide the schematic showing the distance from the house and from the property line.
- 2. It was recommended that Jerry Pinuer be sent a letter to remove the trash and debris from the Auction Barn property.
- 3. It was noted that a satellite dish has been placed at 102 Franklin Street West without a permit. It was recommended that a letter be sent to the owner reminding them of Section 3.7 C. which states that all satellite dish antennas require an installation permit and requesting that they obtain a permit promptly.
- 4. Randy Baumgard presented a list of thirteen people who are in violation of Section 3.17.A. by storing inoperable vehicles outside a building in a residential district. It was recommended that a letter be sent to the owners notifying them to remove the vehicles.
- 5. Discussion was held concerning cars that are parked to close to intersections thereby obstructing the view of traffic. The areas discussed were the intersections of Main and Division, Franklin and Division and Franklin Street and 2nd Street East.
- 6. It was suggested that the council amend the traffic ordinance to include a "no jake brake" law.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Zoning Board's recommendation and send letters to those who are storing inoperable vehicles outside a building.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Arnold Mertins as per the Zoning Board's recommendation.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to send a letter to Jerry Pinuer notifying him that he must remove the debris south of the Auction Barn and to send a letter to the owners of a satellite dish placed in the rear yard at 102 Division Street West notifying them that they must obtain a permit as per Zoning Board's recommendation.

Discussion was held concerning cars obstructing the view of traffic by parking to near the intersections. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to extend the no parking area east of the American Legion an additional twenty feet to the north and to paint the curb yellow.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously not to amend the traffic ordinance to include a jake break law.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report as printed.

There was no emergency management or skywarn report.

Larry Dahle presented information on a trails and lakes visitors guide which is being developed by the cities of Madison Lake, Janesville, Waterville, Elysian and Morristown to promote tourism in the area. Maximum cost of the city's share of the guide is \$4,700. Larry Dahle volunteered to contact other organizations and businesses to see if they are interested in purchasing an ad in the guide. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to donate up to \$4,700 towards the visitor's guide. Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes to the guestion; Dulas and Melchert voted no.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$4,227.80 from the General Fund, \$342.76 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$377.60 from the Water Fund, \$7,283.06 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$740 from the Sanitary Sewer Debt Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$1,808.81 from the General Fund, \$535.79 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$75 from the Water Fund and \$301.78 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to purchase a five month, 6.9 percent interest, Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$25,000 from the State Bank of Morristown.

Larry Dahle presented a plat map showing the extension of 3rd Street in South Dahle Addition. The development agreement was also discussed. It was decided to change the first paragraph of page two to read "south of the south" instead of "south of the north". The city attorney is to review the plat map, make the wording change and the council will review and/or approve the plat map and development agreement at the May 19, 1997, special meeting.

It was discussed to have Timm's Trucking haul in gravel and grade 3rd Street S.E. Steve Nordmeier volunteered to contact Howard Timm.

It was decided that a concern from the owners of Sunshine Apartment regarding water standing on their property was not caused by the city and should be taken care of by the property owners.

It was discussed to clean up the area by the outfield fence west of the Fire Hall.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to grant the Dam Days Committee permission to block Main Street from 1st Street S.E. to 2nd Street S.W. during Dam Days.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant the Jaycees a temporary on-sale non-intoxicating liquor license to sell non-intoxicating liquor at 103 Division Street South May 30, 31 and June 1, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to designate a portion of Franklin Street from 1st Street N.E. to 2nd Street N.E. and a portion of 1st Street N.E. from Franklin Street to Bloomer Street to be used for handicapped parking during Dam Days.

Randy Archambault, Archambault Bros. Disposal, was present and asked the city to consider amending Ordinance 122, an Ordinance providing for and regulating the disposal of refuse and garbage, by adding a section stating that garbage picked up in Morristown can only be taken to the Rice County Landfill. The matter was tabled until the next regular council meeting.

Dick Prescher was present and reported on the Southeastern Minnesota Initiative Fund Housing and Community Workshop that was held April 17 and 18 in Mankato. He discussed an action plan which vision, goal, stakeholder analysis and strategy and information needs to be gathered to develop a plan to identify housing priorities that reflect the best interest of the community. Motion seconded by Nordmeier and carried to appoint those that attended meeting, Richard Prescher, Jeff Wenker, Virginia Schmidtke and Doreen groundwork Lietzau to a housing task force committee to do the implement a housing plan. Council members voted as follows: Felix, Melchert and Nordmeier voted yes, Wenker abstained voting.

A request from Stewart Disposal to bid on the garbage service contract was discussed. It was decided not to bid out the garbage service at this time.

Herman Schlie presented two bids from Wholesale Tire for tire fill to add weight to the lawnmower. The bids were \$66.25 each for Tyr-Fill solid rubber and \$49 each for TyrFill-GS fluid. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously accept the bid of \$66.25 and have two tires filled with Tyre-fill solid rubber.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to contract with Malcolm Davis and have him purchase curb paint and paint the curbs for the same price as 1995 if he can have the curbs painted by May 22, 1997.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that 84 dogs were vaccinated at the dog clinic April 12, 1997, and that 104 dog licenses have been sold. Randy Baumgard volunteered to contact those who have not purchased licenses for their dogs.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to send a letter to Elmer and Gladys Schmidtke notifying them that they must remove or replace their retaining wall.

It was decided to inform Ryan Mogard that he should sweep streets, paint the crosswalks, fill the potholes and order handicapped signs before he leave May 20th.

Herman Schlie was appointed to remove the barricades after the Dam Days parade.

Discussion was held concerning whether to advertise to fill the position of water/wastewater operator and maintenance worker or to contact Kevin Lemm, a certified water/wastewater operator, to see if he is interested in the position or in training someone for the position. It was decided that Virginia Schmidtke should contact Mr. Lemm, discuss the matter with him and set up a meeting if necessary.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the maintenance report for the month of April, 1997, as printed.

Discussion was held concerning the need to clean the watertower. It was suggested to drain the water over the top of the ground using hoses. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to rent the equipment necessary to drain and clean the watertower and have it cleaned before Dam Days.

Virginia Schmidtke presented a letter from Bolton and Menk, Inc. addressed to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency requesting placement on the 1997 Amended Intended Use Plan for the wastewater system improvements and a letter from Minnesota Pollution Control granting preliminary approval to the facility plan and addendum.

Steve Nordmeier reported that Rice County employees are repairing the potholes on the County roads and that he will negotiate with them to use the blacktop equipment to repair the potholes in the city owned streets.

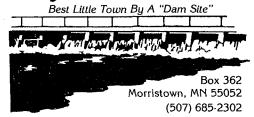
At a work session/special meeting to be held Monday, May 19, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., the council will meet at the Community Hall, 105 Division Street South, with a representative from Bolton and Menk to discuss remodeling of the Community Hall and preliminary plans for a new city

office building. They will also review and or approve the plat map and development agreement for South Dahle Addition and, if necessary, meet with Kevin Lemm.

Motion by Felix, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Board of Review Meeting May 6, 1997

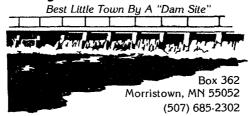
A Board of Equalization meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, May 6, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.w. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Erv Kuchinka, Rice County Assessor and Jim Donahoe.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 1997 market value of the property in Morristown.

Jim Donahoe questioned the increase in assessed market value of his property. Mr. Kuchinka recommended that the owners of Lots 1, 7 and 6, Block, 3 and Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 4, in Meschke South Haven Addition be given a fifteen percent reduction in the value of the land because of the topography of the land. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to reduce the value fifteen percent as recommended by the Rice County Assessor.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting May 19, 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, May 19, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Clerk, Kevin Lemm, Herman Schlie, Larry Dahle, Darrin Fiest and Deb Perrit.

The Council discussed the water/wastewater position with Kevin Lemm. Mr. Lemm stated that he would operate the water/wastewater plants and be responsible for the land application of sludge. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to hire Mr. Lemm for six months at a fee of \$1,200 per month.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Jeff Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the development agreement between Larry and Virginia Dahle and the City of Morristown.

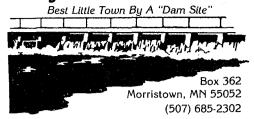
Motion bye Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to approve the final plat map and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign it when it is ready. Council members Felix, Melchert, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes. Dulas voted no.

The council meeting was adjourned to the Community Hall. The council discussed plans to remodel the Hall and to build an office building with Darrin Fiest, engineer from Bolton and Menk, and Deb Perrot, architect.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept a bid of \$25,501 from M and W Blacktopping to overlay seven areas.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting June 2, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, June 2, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier, and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Randy Baumgard and Travis Riggott, Police Officers; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Gladys Schmidtke, Herman Schlie, Gary and Sue Sell, Phil Wegner, Jim Hermel and Larry Dahle.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 5, 1997, the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held May 6, 1997 and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held May 19, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$1,774.06 in the Checking Account and \$610,021.13 in the Investment Account for the month ending May 31, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of May, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the registration fees and expenses for the three police officers, Randy Baumgard, Travis Riggott and Karl Luiken, to attend Chemical Aerosol Sprays and Impact Weapon Recertification training in Faribault.

It was discussed to have a central point for reporting emergencies next year during Dam Days.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of May, 1997, as printed.

There was no written maintenance report.

A letter was received from MacQueen Equipment Inc. stating they evaluated the City's street sweeper and estimated it would cost \$20,000 to \$25,000 to put the sweeper back into working condition.

It discussed to contract with someone to sweep the streets twice a year and continue using the present sweeper for light sweepings. Virginia Schmidtke is to look into the cost.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held May 22, 1997:

- 1. An application submitted by Paul Winkelman to move in a house can be approved if the following conditions are met: the house must be inspected by Richard Sammon, it must be properly placed on the property and the mover must be licensed and insured.
- 2. An application submitted by Vernon Schmidtke to demolish and rebuild a utility shed was tabled until more information is received. It was decided that he could obtain a demolition permit to demolish the building.
- 3. An application from Richard Shankey to build a house was approved pending insertion of the measurements of the house and after the application is reviewed by Richard Sammon.
- 4. An application submitted by Todd Schmidtke to build a house was approved pending Richard Sammon's signature to the permit and receipt of the zoning certificate fee.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board's report as presented.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to apply to the Federal Communications Commissioner for a new radio frequency for Civil Defense, to purchase and have installed a set of Crystals in the Johnson Transcom radio and to pay the application fee of \$275 plus \$50 for the crystals.

Joanne Bennett, Riverview Mobil Home Park owner, was present and asked the council to support her efforts to enforce the nuisance ordinance in the mobil home park.

Jason

Gary/and Sue Sell were present to discuss and incident between their son Gary Sell and the owner of the carnival on Friday, May 30, 1997. Travis Riggott informed the council what happened and answered questions the Sells and the council had.

Gladys Schmidtke requested that the council help pay the cost of removing their retaining wall, replacing the sidewalk from the city sidewalk to their front door and placing new sod on the boulevard. Cost of the project was \$800. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to deny the claim as per city policy.

Jack O'Rourke was present with questions regarding interpretation of the city's subdivision ordinance. He was advised to contact the Zoning Board regarding the matter.

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Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay a claim for billboard advertising as soon as it arrives as requested by Larry Dahle.

Jim Hermel was present and suggested that the council send a letter to Rice County Sheriff, Dave Schweisthal, thanking him for the extra police reinforcement he sent Saturday, May 31, 1997, and for the good

job they did policing the city during Dam Days. It was decided to send a thank you letter to Mr. Schweisthal.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to hire Tom's Lock and Key to repair a door lock at the wastewater treatment plant and to rekey the door locks at the water plant, wastewater treatment plant and maintenance shop.

Herman Schlie was authorized to paint the doors at the water storage plant.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$5,549.02 from the General Fund, \$333.56 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$341.43 from the Water Fund and \$1,134.81 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$3,043.57 from the General Fund, \$12.93 from the Water Fund and \$137.42 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

It was decided to table a claim from Bolton and Menk, Inc. until a progress report is received.

Herman Schlie mentioned that standup pipes at 34 Franklin Street East and 102 Franklin Street West are bent. He is to contact the owners and have them repair the pipes.

It was decided to contact Kevin Lemm, water/wastewater operator, regarding flushing hydrants and reading water meters.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to place a 1.5 yard trash container at the wastewater treatment plant for the next three months.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried to purchase a power broom from Nordmeier Bros. Chevrolet for \$479.24. Council members Dulas, Felix, Melchert and Wenker voted yes to the question; Nordmeier abstained from voting.

Herman Schlie was asked to raise the manhole covers and add new rings before the streets are overlayed.

Jeff Wenker reported that the city needs a stationary pipe to flush and clean the bottom of the water storage tank. The council discussed either tying into a proposed storm sewer in South Dahle Addition or obtaining an easement from Mrs. Tramel and Larry Tegmeier. Virginia Schmidtke is to contact Engineering America regarding cleaning of the tower.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried to grant an on-sale club liquor license and a Sunday liquor license to the American Legion Post 149 as per application on file for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998 upon receipt of a liquor liability insurance certificate. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Melchert abstained from voting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to grant an on-sale and off-sale liquor license to Harlan Melchert as per application on file for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998, upon receipt of a liquor liability insurance certificate. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Melchert abstained from voting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to grant an on-sale, off-sale and a Sunday liquor license to Tammy Johnson for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998, as per application on file and upon receipt of a liquor liability insurance certificate. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Melchert abstained from voting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to grant the Morristown Commercial Club a set-up license as per application on file for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to grant the Morristown Jaycees an on-sale non-intoxicating liquor license as per application on file for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Melchert abstained from voting.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried to grant the Morristown Baseball Association an on-sale non-intoxicating liquor license as per application on file for the year July 1, 1997 - July 1, 1998. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Melchert abstained from voting.

A yard waste agreement for 1997 from the Rice County Waste Management was tabled until the next regular council meeting until clarification concerning the city's obligations is received.

Steve Felix volunteered to meet with the Morristown Historical Society with regard to placement of the Morristown Centennial park sign.

A letter was received from Rod Grams regarding an Emergency Supplement Bill which provides relief to the flood victims in Minnesota.

A notice of a Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the Rice County Feedlot Ordinance was received. The hearing will be held Thursday, June 5, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. the the Faribault Junior High School Auditorium.

A letter was received from Chuck Pettipiece concerning services his company provides in regards to assisting the City in seeking grant and loan funds for the proposed improvements to the wastewater treatment plant. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to invite Mr. Pettipiece to the next city council meeting/work session to be held Monday, June 23, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Steve Felix and Dale Dulas volunteered to attend the Pipeline Group's Public Education - Contractor Awareness Program in Owatonna on Thursday, June 19, 1997, at 6:30 p.m.

It was suggested that Scott Wenker inspect the improvements in South Dahle Addition. No action was taken.

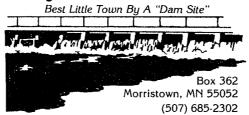
It was decided to send a letter to the Girl Scouts thanking them for planting the flowers in the city park.

It was decided to send Nordmeier Bros Chevrolet a letter thanking them for the use of a car for the mayor and council to ride in during the Dam Days parade.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting June 23, 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, June 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, Kevin Lemm, Kelly Yahnke and Chuck Pettipiece.

Kelly Yahnke, engineer, presented plans and specifications for the proposed improvements to the wastewater treatment plant. Pettipiece visited with the council with regard to securing funding for the project.

An invitation was received from the North Morristown Community Club inviting the Council to participate in the July 4th parade.

The Certification of Local Performance Measures form for Local Performance Aid payable in 1998 was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously authorizing Mayor and Assistant Mayor to sign the form and to fund maintenance program with the aid received in 1998.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to hire Chuck Krenik to read water meters.

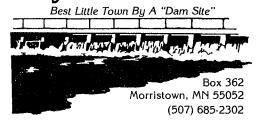
It was discussed to compile a list of tasks for community service workers to complete. Suggestions were to clean the area behind stage at the Community Hall, paint the fire hydrants, paint bridge in the park and wax the Community Hall floor.

It was discussed to send a notice to the residents reminding them that only garden refuse and brush can be brought to the brush site.

Dale Dulas volunteered to contact someone with regard to renting hose or pipe to drain the water tower. It was discussed to contact Engineering America and have them come and inspect the tower.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting July 7, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, July 7, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier, and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; and Loren Dahle.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to correct page 2, paragraph 5, of the minutes of the June 2, 1997, council meeting to read "Jason Sell" instead of "Gary Sell" and approve the minutes as corrected and to approve the minutes of the work session/special meeting held June 23, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$7,449.79 in the Checking Account and \$571,862.07 in the Investment Account for the month ending June 31, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of June, 1997, as printed.

A request was received from Randy Baumgard for a \$3.00 per hour increase in pay. Motion to Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried to table the request until the budget meeting. Council members voted as follows: Dulas, Melchert and Nordmeier voted yes; Felix abstained from voting and Wenker voted no.

Randy Baumgard offered to take care of the yard waste disposal site. It was decided that Herman Schlie should be in charge of the site and that he should have Randy help him if necessary.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously authorizing Randy Baumgard to represent the City on the Rice County Gang Suppression Unit task force.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of June, 1997, as printed.

Loren Dahle presented a report on flushing hydrants and exercising valves that he and Randy Baumgard did July 1, 1997. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay Loren

Dahle \$7.50 per hour for the work he performed, authorize him to exercise the valves the first Wednesday in August, flush the hydrants the first Wednesday in September and accept the report as presented.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that the air conditioning on the tractor does not work. Also two fenders are broke, the RPM gauge doesn't work, the blue light and one yellow light doesn't work, the slow moving sign is half gone, the mirror is cracked and the hoses need to be replaced. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to call Matejecks and have them come and get the tractor and repair it.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held June 26, 1997:

- 1. An application submitted by Vernon Schmidtke to demolish and rebuild a storage shed was approved.
- 2. An application submitted by Laura Wilson to operate a new and used store at 102 Division Street was approved.
- 3. They acknowledged the construction of a fifty-five foot tower and ten foot antenna by Phil Wegner on his property at 303 West Main Street and noted there was no objection to the request.
- 4. An application submitted by Charles Borth to build a utility shed was approved.
- 5. They discussed a playhouse that is being built by Patrick Chavie. No action was taken.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board's report as presented.

Larry and Virginia Dahle were present and their milar plat map of South Dahle Addition and the subdivision development agreement were signed.

Kevin Lemm reported that AquaStor will inspect the water storage tank and do any necessary repairs at no cost to the city. He volunteered to contact them and have the tank inspected.

Mr. Lemm reported that the motor to one of the blowers is not working and that he contacted Park Electric to have it repaired.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$5,994.37 from the General Fund, \$587.28 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$855.48 from the Water Fund, \$1,192.98 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund, \$175 from the Sanitary Sewer Debt Fund and \$36,039.27 from the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$400.42 from the Water Fund and \$79 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to enter in an agreement with Chuck Pettipiece & Associates to provide loan packaging services to secure funding to undertake improvements to the city's wastewater collection and treatment system for a fee of \$5,000.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1997-3.

Resolution 1997-3

Resolution of Application and Intent to Reimburse Expenditures

BE IT RESOLVED: that the City of Morristown is hereby applying to the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority for financial assistance to be used for the reimbursement of the capital costs for the described project: the upgrading and expansion of the City of Morristown's municipal wastewater treatment system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City of Morristown estimates that it will require financial assistance from the Minnesota public Facilities Authority in the maximum principal amount of \$884,500 or the as-bid cost of the project for the above stated purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City of Morristown the apply for such financial legal authority to assistance int institutional, managerial and financial capacity to ensure proper construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of the proposed project for its design life and financial repayment of the assistance.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 1997. All council members voted yes to the question.

The council received a ten page petition which stated that "We the citizens of the City of Morristown, MN want the brush and garden waste site on Hamel Lane to stay open. And we want the City to take better care the site." Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to reject the petition on the grounds that there never was any formal action to close the brush site.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send a notice to the public reminding everyone that the yard waste disposal site is only authorized to accept grass, leaves and tree trimmings.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried to pass Resolution 1997-4.

Resolution 1997-4
Resolution Dedicating Certain Lands as Public Streets

WHEREAS, the City of Morristown is the fee owner of the two parcels of land in the City of Morristown described in the attached Exhibits A and B; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that said parcels be dedicated as public rights of way:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN RESOLVES:

- 1. That the parcels described in Exhibits A and B are hereby dedicated as public rights of way.
- 2. That this resolution shall be recorded in the office of the Rice County Recorder.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 1997.

All council members voted yes to the question.

A draft ordinance prepared by city engineer, Kurt Fischer, amending the Morristown sewer ordinance (Ordinance 106) as it relates to septic systems was discussed. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to approve the draft of Ordinance 106 and send it to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for approval.

Russ Schweihs, Faribault Disposal and Recycling, was present and asked the council to consider rebidding the contract for garbage and refuse hauling. The council will consider the request at a special meeting to be held July 28, 1997.

A letter was received from Rice County's Department of Waste Management asking the city to designate someone to serve on a Solid Waste Planning and Advisory Committee. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to appoint Loren Dahle to serve on this committee.

discussion was held concerning a complaint of speeding in the Riverview Mobil Home especially along Verdev Drive. Motion bу Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to tell Randy Baumgard about the complaint, have him police the area more often (especially late afternoons) and ask him for his advise recommendation.

The following correspondence was received:

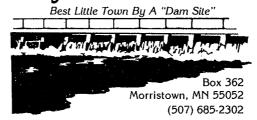
- A letter was received from John Steffens, Steffens Chevrolet, thanking the council for choosing Steffens as the dealership from which the Fire Department purchased a Chevrolet truck.
- 2. A memo was received from the Minnesota Association of Small Cities concerning their annual meeting which will be held August 7 and 8, 1997, in St. Cloud
- 3. A letter was received from Scott Johnson, Cannon Valley Telecom, concerning the new law which addresses municipal right-of-way authority.
- 4. A letter was received from Allied Adjusters, Inc. denying a liability claim filed by Bernice Staska.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, July 28, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Discussion will include the remodeling of the

Community Hall, a new city office building and rebidding of the garbage contract.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Work Session/Special Meeting
July 28, 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, July 28, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Richard Prescher, Travis Riggott, Dave and Patty Rux, Loren Dahle and Doreen Lietzau.

Steve Nordmeier presented an idea to build a city office building on the empty lot at 102 Division Street North now owned by the State Bank of Morristown and lease part of the building to Patty Rux. Either the City could purchase the property from the Bank or the Bank and Patty could swap property. The Bank could then use the Cut, Curl and Tan property for future expansion or for parking. Both parties agreed to think about the idea and it will be discussed at another meeting. Other suggestions were to build a city office building on the city owned parking lot or to remodel the maintenance shop into an office building.

A letter was received from the architectural firm of Widseth, Smith and Nolting with estimates to remodel the Community Hall, build a new city office building on another site or to remove the existing Community Hall and build a new Community Center/City Hall. The estimates were:

Option 1: Restore/remodel the existing Community Hall - \$337,000

Option 2: New City Hall on an alternate site - \$393,000

Option 3: New Community Center/City Hall on existing Community Hall site - \$890,000.

It was discussed to look into other options.

Richard Prescher reported the Morristown Housing Task Force is meeting two Wednesdays a month, that Rice County may do a County wide housing needs assessments and that the group met with Tim Strobel and Rick Spitzack to discuss housing trends and steps to take to obtain affordable housing.

Travis Riggott announced that he has unofficially been appointed as police officer with the Rochester Police Department and will probably be terminating his employment with the City of Morristown on September 1st. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to advertise for a part time, on call police officer with the deadline for submitting applications to be September 15th. It was decided to advertise in the Faribault and Mankato paper.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to advertise on local cable Channel 7 for a part time maintenance worker.

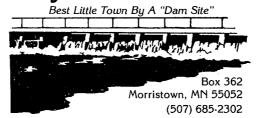
Soroya Harder, River View Mobil Home Park Manager, was present the following concerns were discussed:

- Speeding on Verdev Drive. It was decided to look into the cost of purchasing two speed bumps that can be removed to plow snow.
- Complaints of children playing in the street. Soroya said that 2. she will remove the rock and debris in the triangle and keep area mowed. It was suggested that she make sand boxes using old tractor tires. She stated that insurance would be costly if provided playground equipment.
- Tall grass and weeds on empty lots. Soroya stated that the areas 3. will be mowed later this week.
- Soroya requested copies of the city's nuisance, animal and mobil home ordinances.
- Soroya announced that she has sent letters to the mobil home 5. owners advising them that they must skirt, paint their homes.
- Discussion was held concerning whether cars can be parked on the street right of way and how much space emergency vehicles need to get through. The matter was referred to Randy Baumgard.

Discussion was held concerning whether to amend the refuse garbage ordinance, Ordinance 122, and whether to accept bids for hauling of garbage or to renew the current hauler's, Archambault Bros., contract. It was discussed to amend Section XV 3. by removing "The franchise or license for refuse and garbage the sentence collection shall be for a period of one year at a time" and to Archambault Bros. a five year contract. Formal action will be at the next regular council meeting.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to have the next regular council meeting August 6, 1997, instead of August 4, and to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting August 6, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Wednesday, August 6, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier, and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Dave Huber and Loren Dahle. Council member Harlan Melchert was absent.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to correct page 1, paragraph 5, of the minutes of the July 7, 1997, council meeting to read "Felix voted yes" instead of "Felix abstained from voting", to approve the minutes as corrected and to approve the minutes of the work session/special meeting held July 28, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$21,870.89 in the Checking Account and \$644,658.57 in the Investment Account for the month ending July 31, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of July, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the fire department report for the month of July, 1997, as printed.

It was reported that the brakes on the sludge truck are not working properly. Nordmeier volunteered to check them.

It was reported that Kevin Lemm had Cedar Lake Electric repair the relay switch at the water tower.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the maintenance report.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held July 24, 1997:

1. A zoning application submitted by Dan Motzko Construction for Scott and Christine Allen to move in a modular home and build a three stall garage was discussed. A request to put the driveway on an unimproved portion of 2nd Street S.W. was also discussed. It was resolved to approve the application with the following stipulations: 1) the home must be 20 feet from the property line or in line with the neighboring home, 2) the home must be 20 feet from the east and 3) the garage must be 25 feet from the east line and until it becomes an improved street, they can use it as a driveway but they must maintain it with crushed rock.

- 2. A request from Joe Kabes to remove his sidewalk was referred to the city council for action.
- 3. An application from Malcolm Davis to build a garage was approved if the proposed garage will not exceed 864 square feet. If the garage will cover 865 1,008 square feet a conditional use permit will be required.
- 4. An application from Mike Tupa to build a deck was approved.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow Joe Kabes to remove his sidewalk and landscape the boulevard as requested at his expense with the stipulation that if the council requires sidewalks to be installed at a later date he would have to comply at his expense.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board's report as presented.

There was no civil defense/skywarn report.

Discussion was held concerning a complaint about children in the park using vulgar language. It was decided to discuss the matter with Randy Baumgard.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$21,403.85 from the General Fund, \$3,017.44 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$9,907.18 from the Water Fund, \$917.30 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$2,897.76 from the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$1,330.96 from the General Fund, \$992.71 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$216.81 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Loren Dahle reported that a hydrant valve is leaking at the intersection of Main Street East and 1st Street N.E.

A letter was received from Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, regarding the Morristown Garbage Ordinance and the contract for garbage hauling. Mr. Fischer recommended that the council not rebid the contract until the ordinance is revised. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to discuss ordinance changes at the next work session/special meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to have youths in the Community Service program clean the Community Hall bathrooms with a milk house sanitizer and paint the walls and floor.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to purchase a mop and replacement mop heads for use at the Community Hall.

Discussion was held concerning estimates from the architectural firm of Widseth, Smith and Nolting to remodel the Community Hall, build a new city office building on another site or to remove the existing Community Hall and build a new Community Center/City Hall. The estimates were:

Option 1: Restore/remodel the existing Community Hall - \$337,000

Option 2: New City Hall on an alternate site - \$393,000

Option 3: New Community Center/City Hall on existing Community Hall site - \$890,000.

It was discussed to look into the space that will be needed, the cost to purchase the Pye lot and more realistic costs estimates. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to prepare an informational letter to send to the public.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to submit a request to the American Legion Post 149 for \$1,000 from their lawful gambling profits for a city celebration.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to donate \$1,000 to the Morristown Dam Days Committee.

Discussion was held concerning reports that Warsaw residents are using the yard waste disposal site. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send a letter to the Warsaw Town Board asking them to notify their residents that the brush site is for Morristown residents only and they should consider developing a site for Warsaw residents to use.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to pass Resolution 1997-4 which is an agreement between Rice County and the City for yard waste composting.

Resolution 1997-4

WHEREAS, the City and County desires to continue a yard waste composting program to promote a safer environment, and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota prohibits the disposal of yard wastes in landfills,

WHEREAS, the County feels there should be mutual cooperation with Rice County cities to solve the yard waste problems

WHEREAS, the City wishes to further the success of the composting program and actively participate in its management,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN, to enter into an agreement for yard waste composting with the Rice County, a copy of which agreement is on file with the city clerk.

Adopted this 6th day of August, 1997 All council members votes yes to the question.

A letter was received from Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, regarding the operation of motorized golf carts on city streets. The letter noted that motorized golf carts may be permitted on public streets if the Council enacts an ordinance allowing operation of them. It was decided to discuss adopting an ordinance at the next work/session special meeting.

It was discussed to hire a tree trimming service to trim some of the larger trees on the boulevards.

It was decided that whoever is hired to fill the maintenance position work twenty hours per week in the mornings.

A petition signed by ten citizens was received. The petition read: "We would like to keep our neighborhood residential and not have an auto repair business. The Rebling place on 3rd STreet S.E. They have made lots of noise with pounding, roaring motors plus all the vehicles parked in yard looks junky." The petition was referred to Randy Baumgard.

A letter was received from the Morristown Historical Society requesting that items the city has stored at the Mill which have no historical value be removed. It was decided to have Herman Schlie remove the items and salvage those items that can be sold.

Loren Dahle reported that valves on hydrants located near the Morristown Manor and Morris Mart are leaking. Also, a hole near the NSP pole by the maintenance shop needs to be addressed.

Steve Nordmeier announced that M & W Blacktopping will be here soon to overlay the streets.

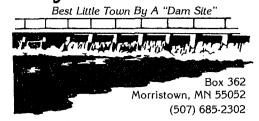
The following correspondence was received:

1. A Partners for Safe Communities symposium will be held on September 25th & 26th at the Kelly Inn in St. Cloud.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, August 25, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Discussion will include remodeling of the Community Hall, a new city office building, amending the garbage ordinance, developing a golf cart ordinance and reviewing applications for the part time maintenance position and the part time police position.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Virginia Schmidthe



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Work Session/Special Meeting
August 25, 1997

A work session/special meeting was called to order Monday, August 25, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer and Loren Dahle. Council member Harlan Melchert was absent.

Discussion was held with regard to building a new city office building. It was decided that each council member should sketch a floor plan for the next council meeting. It was also decided to draft a letter to William Pye expressing interest in purchasing the lot at 102 Division Street North for the assessed market value or \$7,000 whichever is less. Steve Nordmeier reported that Dave and Patty Rux are not interested in leasing a part of the proposed building at this time.

Discussion was held concerning whether to proceed with remodeling the Community Hall. It was decided to look into the cost of gutters and downspouts. Dale Dulas reported that Herman Schlie has begun cleaning the bathrooms so they can be painted. It was decided to grant Herman permission to hire someone to help him with the project if he feels it is necessary.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously not to amend the refuse and garbage ordinance, Ordinance 122, and not to seek bids for the hauling service because of the low garbage rate the city is now receiving and because the service is satisfactory.

A sample ordinance regulating the use of motorized golf carts on city streets was studied. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to prepare an ordinance regulating the use of motorized golf carts and to add a section allowing the golf carts to be driven on city streets but not on county roads 15, 16 and 44 only to cross. The ordinance is to be ready for the next council meeting. It was decided to send a letter to the owners of golf carts notifying them that they cannot operate their golf carts on the streets until the ordinance is adopted.

Four applications were received for the position of part time, on call police officer. A letter was received from the Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, recommending that a written exam be administered followed by an oral interview. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to have the City Attorney prepare the questions, administer the test, and arrange an interview panel.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept a notice of resignation from Travis Riggott effective August 25, 1997.

Four applications were received for the position of part time maintenance worker. It was decided to interview the four candidates on Wednesday, September 3, 1997, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and to hire one of the candidates that evening if one of them qualifies.

The 1998 budget worksheets were distributed. It was decided to discuss the budget following the interviews on September 3, 1997.

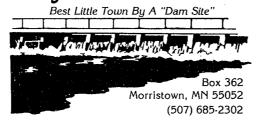
A notice was received from Kevin Lemm stating that Harvestor will inspect the water storage tank as soon as it is drained and cleaned. It was decided that Kevin should find a company to clean it and make the necessary arrangements with Harvestor.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to submit a governmental request to the American Legion Post 149 for \$4,045 from their lawful gambling profits for city street improvements.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, September 2, 1997.

Virginia Schmidtke

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting September 2, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, September 2, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Kevin Lemm, Doreen Lietzau, Milda Mensing and Bill and Diane Stephens. Council member Dale Dulas arrived at 8:35 p.m.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 6, 1997, the minutes of the work session/special meeting held August 25, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$3,125.42 in the Checking Account and \$644,658.57 in the Investment Account for the month ending August 31, 1997.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of August, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the fire department report for the month of August, 1997, as printed.

A letter from the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association requesting that proceeds from the sale of the old rescue truck be transferred to the Fire Relief Retirement Fund was read. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to transfer \$8,500 from the Fire Department General Fund to the Morristown Fire Relief Association Retirement Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the hydrant flushing report prepared by Loren Dahle and to have him flush hydrants tomorrow, September 3rd.

Kevin Lemm reported that Engineering American will inspect the water storage tank as soon as the tank is emptied and cleaned. It was decided to have it inspected September 15th. Kevin agreed to coordinate the project. The council members and Kevin will meet Sunday, September 14, 1997, to drain and clean the tower.

The following actions were taken by the Zoning Board at their meeting held August 25, 1997:

- 1. An application from James Lundin to remove and rebuild a porch was approved.
- 2. An application from Pat Reysack to enclose a porch was approved.
- 3. Discussion was held concerning unlicensed vehicles and an accumulation of garbage and debris at 204 3rd Street S.E. Also, a petition was received speaking against an auto repair business he may have started. It has not been determined that he is operating an auto repair business. Randy Baumgard is to monitor the situation.
- 4. An application from Larry Dahle to build a house was approved.
- 5. An application from Kenny Stenzel to build a house was approved with the stipulation that Mr. Stenzel is to correct his application to include the correct dimensions of his property.
- 6. Discussion was held with regards to three individuals who have received zoning certificates in the past but have not completed their improvements. It was suggested that the Council seek legal advice concerning what can be done for failure to complete a project. It was decided to send a letter to those individuals who have not completed their projects reminding them that they will need an extension of their permit to continue building.
- 7. It was decided to notify Don Nordmeier that he must apply for a variance permit exempting him from hard surfacing the driveway to his storage shed.
- 8. Discussion was held concerning whether a permit is needed to purchase or receive ten feet of property from a neighbor. It was discussed whether the division of the property would result in a non-conforming lot or a non-conforming garage. It was decided to ask the City Council if they are concerned about this and, if they are, do they want to seek legal advice to assure that when property is exchanged, that it does not make it non-conforming property.
- 9. Discussion was held concerning a question regarding the number of cars allowed to be parked on the boulevard. It was determined that nothing in the Zoning Ordinance addressed this question.
- 10. It was decided to send Dave Meschke a letter reminding him that he must comply with the Zoning Ordinance by providing a hard surface road to his storage garage.

Randy Baumgard reported that the garbage and debris has been removed and the unlicensed vehicle licensed at 204 3rd Street S.E.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to James Lundin to remove and rebuild a porch as per application on file.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Pat Reyzack enclose a porch as per application on file.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Larry Dahle to build a house as per application on file.

It was brought to the attention of the Council that cities are prohibited by state law from issuing zoning permits to unlicensed contractors that build more than one house per 12 month period. Discussion was held concerning whether Kenny Stenzel is a licensed contractor. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve an application from Kenny Stenzel to build a house as per application on file contingent upon him providing a contractor's license.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to contact the city attorney regarding unfinished zoning projects and administration of split lots.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board's report as presented.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the emergency management report as presented.

It was decided to have Dules contact a tree trimming service to trim some of the larger trees on the boulevards.

It was discussed to seek prices to burn the brush site and haul the debris to the landfill.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$4,124.49 from the General Fund, \$17,062.65 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$868.10 from the Water Fund, \$1,007.76 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$7,486.59 from the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$29,946.13 from the General Fund, \$607.15 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$50 from the Water Fund and \$64.16 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Ordinance 156 regulating the operation of motorized golf carts on city streets was discussed. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1997-5 adopting Ordinance 156.

Resolution 1997-5

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN to adopt Ordinance 156, an Ordinance regulating the operation of motorized golf carts, and to publish the Ordinance in the Faribault Daily News.

Adopted this 2nd day of September, 1997. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to charge a \$10 annual permit fee, to expire on December 31st of each year with the first year's permit to expire December 31, 1998.

A letter drafted to William Pye expressing interest in purchasing the lot at 102 Division Street North was discussed. Virginia Schmidtke reported that the assessed market value is \$3,000. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send the letter to Mr. Pye offering to purchase the property for \$3,000.

Discussion was held regarding floor plans for a new building. Several ideas were presented. Nordmeier was appointed to work on the plans.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that three roofing firms will submit cost estimates to install gutters and downspouts on the Community Hall. It was also reported that Herman Schlie has painted the bathrooms.

Dale Dulas arrived at this point in the meeting.

Discussion was held concerning whether to demolish the Community Hall and rebuild a combination community center/city office building or to spend \$337,000 to remodel it.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that a representative of the Southeastern Minnesota Initiative Fund asked to visit with the Council about their programs and projects. It was decided to meet with them Monday, September 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. and to extend an invitation to the business owners and the Commercial Club.

A letter was received from the State Auditor's Office addressing an allegation that former City Council member Rick Vollbrecht submitted a false time record for wastewater treatment services. It was noted that the State Auditor was unable to conclude that a false claim was submitted. The Auditor recommended that the City review its current

payroll procedures and implement proper internal control. They also recommended that the City and each individual Council member adhere to the letter of the law to avoid violations of Minnesota's conflict of interest law.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously authorizing three people to attend the Community Policing Conference September 25 and 26, 1997, and to pay the registration fees, mileage and lodging.

Dale Dulas was appointed to contact Milt's Lawn Service to spray the Creeping Charlie noxious weeds in the park and behind the Community Hall.

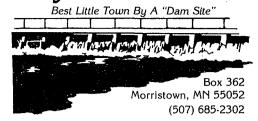
It was questioned whether the City has a peddler's ordinance. It was determined that the City does not have one.

Dulas questioned whether Larry Dahle applied for a zoning certificate to build a house and whether the Zoning Board is monitoring the moving of dirt. It was determined that he has received a zoning certificate but that the City does not have an inspector to inspect either the moving of dirt or the water/sewer installation.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, September 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Special Meeting September 3, 1997

A special meeting was called to order Wednesday, September 3, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk. Council member Harlan Melchert was absent.

The Council met at 6:30 and interviewed one person for the part time maintenance position.

The 1998 proposed budget was discussed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to hold a Truth in Taxation Hearing for the adoption of the 1998 tax levy on Tuesday, December 2, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. and, if necessary, to continue the hearing Wednesday, December 10, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1997-6.

Resolution 1997-6

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, COUNTY OF RICE, MINNESOTA, that the following sums of money be levied for the current year, collectible in 1998, upon the taxable property in the City of Morristown for the following purposes:

General Fund \$60,800.00 Sanitary Sewer Fund 8,000.00 TOTAL \$68,800.00

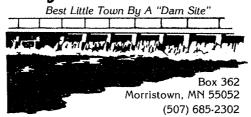
The City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Rice County, Minnesota.

Adopted this 3rd day of September, 1997. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting September 22, 1997

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, September 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Carol Cerney, Harold Nielsen and Phil Wegner.

Carol Cerney, Communications Officer with the Southern Minnesota Initiative Fund, visited with the Council regarding the Initiative Fund's projects and programs. Mrs. Cerney encouraged the Council to contribute to the Fund.

A letter was received from Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, recommending that the Council offer the part-time police officer position to Harold Nielsen. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to offer the part-time police position to Harold Nielsen conditioned on satisfactory results on the physical, psychological and background examinations. Mr. Nielsen was present and accepted the position.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$3,026.14 from the General Fund, \$2,205.26 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$487.17 from the Water Fund and \$626.58 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

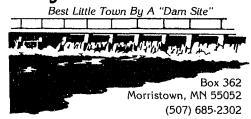
A letter was received from William Pye, President of the State Bank of Morristown, stating that he is not interested in selling his property at 102 Division Street North unless the Council could arrange to swap the lots for the two lots north of the Bank. Discussion was held with regard to removing the Community Hall and building a new Community Center/City Hall on the existing site. It was decided to look into demolitions costs and prepare detailed plans and cost estimates to rebuild.

It was reported that it would cost \$65 to repair the motor on the fan at the Community Hall and \$111 to purchase a new one from Temple Electric. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimous to purchase a new motor as per bid.

The 1998 proposed budget was discussed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, October 6, 1997.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting October 6, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, October 6, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Don Marsh, Larry Dahle, John Schlie, Phil Wegner, Darrel Hopman and Tim Strobel. Mayor Steve Felix was absent.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 2, 1997, the minutes of the special meeting held September 3, 1997 and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held September 22, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$1,983.78 in the Checking Account and \$567,658.27 in the Investment Account for the month ending September 30, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of September, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay a licensing fee of \$15 to the Minnesota POST Board for Harold Nielsen.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of September, 1997, as printed.

Ernie Nordmeier suggested that fire call rates be increased and presented rates charged by area fire departments. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to have the Fire Department members study the need for a rate increase and table the discussion until a recommendation is received from them.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to sell the Jeep grass rig and to advertise for sealed bids with the bids to be opened and considered at 8:00 p.m. at the November 3, 1997, council meeting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to submit a request to the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association for funds from their lawful gambling profits to purchase a 1998 Suburban.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of a 1998 Suburban as per specifications from the Fire Department with bids to be opened Thursday, October 30, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. and considered Monday, November 3, 1997, at the council meeting.

It was decided to have Herman Schlie shut off the water in the park and winterize the bathrooms.

Jeff Wenker volunteered to ask Dave Shafer to record the readings and check the water and wastewater plant after Herman Schlie leaves October 10th.

It was decided not to shut the water off at the Feed Mill. Larry Dahle volunteered to take care of it.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept Karen Schlie's resignation to clean the Community Hall, Council Chambers and Fire Hall meeting room and bathrooms.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to hire Chuck and Sharon Krenik to clean the Community Hall, Council Chambers and Fire Hall meeting room and bathrooms and to pay them \$50 per event to clean the Community Hall and \$10 per hour to clean the Council Chambers and Fire Department meeting room and bathrooms.

Claims of \$545.51 from Dahle Enterprise and \$140.25 from Timm's Trucking to repair a broken storm sewer line south of the school was discussed. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send the WEM school district the bills and a letter notifying them that the storm sewer repair is their responsibility since the line was installed to drain water from the gymnasium roof.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to issue a zoning permit to Reuben Krause to build a storage garage as per application on file.

A letter was received from Phil Wegner, Skywarn Director, recommending that a telephone line be installed in the Fire Hall so the civil defense siren can be activated manually. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to install the manual control for the civil defense siren as requested.

A letter was received from Phil Wegner recommending that George Leppert be appointed 1998 Skywarn Director and that Gary Tupa be appointed Assistant Director. A letter was also received from Herb Seller resigning from the skywarn committee. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously that acceptance of the resignation and appointment of the 1998 directors be tabled until the skywarn committee can act on the letter of resignation.

Don Marsh was present to discuss whether the ordinance regulating the operation of motorized golf carts could be changed to allow the carts to be driven on the county roads. It was decided not to change the ordinance at this time.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$3,404.69 from the General Fund, \$413.83 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$2,328 from the Water Fund and \$1,156.79 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$176.49 from the General Fund and \$2,323.05 from the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1997-6.

Resolution 1997-6

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 24 and Friday, September 25, 1997, work needed to be done on the drain pipe at the water tower and,

WHEREAS, the part-time maintenance worker was not available to do the work, and

WHEREAS, the services provided were as fair a price as could be obtained elsewhere,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN to pay Jeff Wenker and Justin Wenker \$7.50 per hour for three hours work each as requested.

Adopted this 6th day of October, 1997.

Council members voted as follows: Melchert and Nordmeier voted yes; Dulas voted no and Wenker abstained from voting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to table a claim from Harold Nielsen for hours worked until he has met the statewide minimum selection standards.

Discussion was held with regard to removing the Community Hall and building a new Community Center/City Hall on the existing site. Jeff Wenker volunteered to get a price from Met Con for a new building.

It was decided to advertise on the local cable station for a part-time winter/full-time spring maintenance worker.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to table the 1998 proposed budget discussion until Monday, October 20, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Larry Dahle was present and the following items concerning South Dahle Addition were discussed:

- 1. Jeff Wenker was appointed to contact Scott Wenker to see if he would inspect the utilities in South Dahle Addition and what he would charge to do it.
- It was decided that the city would furnish the corporations and curb stops instead of Larry furnishing them and deducting the cost from the water and sewer hookup fee.
- 3. It was decided to allow Larry to install six inch mains rather than eight inch mains in Tower Circle.
- 4. It was decided to let Larry decided whether he wants to use stainless steel or brass saddles.
- 5. Some of the utility lines in Tower Circle need to be lengthened and shortened. The lines as constructed will appear on the as built plans.

A request to adopt an ordinance regulating roller blades was discussed. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to discuss the request at a later date.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to allow open burning from October 15th - November 15th by permit only.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing Virginia Schmidtke to attend the League of Minnesota Cities regional meeting to be held Thursday, October 30, 1997, and to pay the \$15 registration fee.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to issue a mayoral proclamation proclaiming October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 17, 1997, as National Mammography Day.

Discussion was held concerning complaints that cars parked on the boulevard at the intersection of Main and Division Streets are obstructing the view of traffic coming from the west. Steve Nordmeier reported that he inspected the location and that the cars are parked in compliance with the Traffic Ordinance.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to allow the Faribault Baptist church members to rent the Community Hall November 16 and December 7, 1997, and to charge them \$50 per event.

A notice was received from the Initiative Fund announcing that the 1997 Economic Summit, Expanding Our Economic Horizons, will be held October 8, in Rochester and that the registration fee is \$75.

Information was received concerning a Trade-A-Tree Program. The program is designed to remove and replace trees under three phase power lines.

A seminar concerning housing development and finance sponsored by the MN Association of Small Cities was discussed. The seminar will be held in Mankato on October 22nd. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the registration fee of \$75 each for two people to attend the seminar.

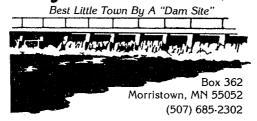
A brochure announcing the 1997 Community Development Conference which will be held in Minneapolis, November 13, 1997, was received.

A letter and map providing the general location of gas lines and pipeline safety information was received from Northern Natural Gas Company.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, October 20, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting October 20, 1997

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, October 20, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to purchase one dozen corporation stops, curb boxes and valves from Minnesota Pipe and Equipment Company.

It was discussed not to hire a part time maintenance person at this time.

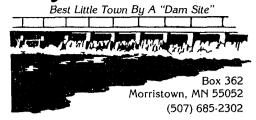
Virginia Schmidtke reported that Dale Dulas will shorten the chains for the tractor as soon as he has help it do it. Steve Felix volunteered to help Dale with the chains.

The 1998 proposed budget was discussed. It was discussed to send water/sewer/and garbage bills monthly instead of quarterly.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, November 3, 1997.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting November 3, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, November 3, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Kevin Lemm; Water/Wastewater Operator, John Schlie, Don Nordmeier, Darrel Hopman, Loren Dahle and Larry Dahle. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 6, 1997, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held October 20, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$12,365.86 in the Checking Account and \$567,658.27 in the Investment Account for the month ending October 31, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of October, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of October, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department fire call rate increase as recommended by the Fire Department with the rate increase to be effective January 1, 1998.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried to accept a low bid of \$29,730 from Steffens Chevrolet, Faribault for the purchase of a 1998 Suburban as recommended by the Fire Department committee. The bid results were as follows:

Steffens Chevrolet, Faribault \$29,730.00
Clements Chevrolet, Mankato 29,790.00
Furlong Chevrolet, Northfield 29,880.00
Nordmeier Bros. Chevrolet, Morristown 30,200.00

Councilmembers Wenker, Felix and Melchert voted yes to the question, Nordmeier abstained from voting.

The following maintenance items were addressed:

- 1. It was decided to replace the seat cover in the maintenance truck.
- 2. Randy Baumgard reported that the sweeper runs all right but that it needs new brooms and the back window is broke.
- It was decided that Randy should put the flags up for Veteran's Day.
- 4. Virginia Schmidtke reported that three maintenance applications have been received. It was decided to interview the candidates November 17, 1997.
- 5. Jeff Wenker reported that a pump was purchased for the chlorine syphon induction system for the standby well and that Feed-Rite Controls installed the necessary equipment to feed chlorine to the well. The well was used while water mains in Dahle's South Addition were connected to the City's water main. Wenker recommended that the well will be tested and exercised on a regular basis.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the maintenance report for the month of October as presented.

Kevin Lemm presented the Annual Evaluation and Planning System report and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's response to the report. He reported on the treatment systems physical condition, the systems loadings and performance, the collection system, biosolids, septage, operation and maintenance, the financial and ordinance status and future needs. A copy of the report is on file for inspection.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that several juveniles have Community Service hours to perform and will be available to work during the Christmas vacation.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to purchase a remote control for the maintenance garage door opener.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board's report for the month of October as printed.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant a variance hearing to Don Nordmeier as requested and to hold the hearing Tuesday, December 2, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Being requested is a variance from Zoning Ordinance 91-144, Section 3.6, B.13 which requires a hard surfaced driveway to structures capable of storing one or more motorized vehicles. Don requested a variance not to hard surface the driveway to a storage garage on his property at 403 Franklin Street W.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept Herb Seller's resignation as member of the Skywarn Committee.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Skywarn Committee's recommendation to appoint George Leppert as the Skywarn Director for 1998 and to appoint Gary Tupa as the Assistant Director.

Darrel Hopman was present and spoke against transferring board of review powers to the Rice County Board of Commissioners.

It was decided that Loren Dahle should flush the hydrants Wednesday, November 5, 1997.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$7,088.45 from the General Fund, \$1,690.17 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$20,740 from the Sanitary Sewer Debt Fund, \$1,765.58 from the Water Fund and \$966.29 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$45.85 from the General Fund, \$203.94 from the Water Fund and \$72.68 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Discussion was held concerning remodeling/rebuilding of the Community Hall.

At 8:00 p.m., in accordance with advertised notices, bids for the sale of the Dodge 4-wheel drive vehicle were opened and tabulated. It was determined that two bids were received - a bid of \$105 from Gary Steward and a bid of \$752 from Randy Meschke. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the bid of \$752 from Randy Meschke.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to donate the monies received from the sale of the Dodge vehicle to the Morristown Fire Relief Retirement Fund.

The 1998 proposed budget was discussed. It was discussed to raise the zoning permit fees.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to change the regular council scheduled to be held Monday, December 1, 1997, to Tuesday, December 2, 1997, because two of the council members would not be able to attend the meeting December 1st.

Discussion was held concerning an offer from Jon Velishek to clear and mow Lot 4, Block 2, Meschke South Haven Addition. It was decided that the Clerk should contact Faribo Insurance regarding liability.

A notice was received from the Rice County Planning and Zoning concerning a variance request from Dennis and Kim Halvorson for a variance from Section 731.005 of the Rice County Feedlot Ordinance. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send a letter to the Rice County Board of Commissioners opposing the variance because of the proximity to the City of Morristown, the Cannon River and the Sakatha State Trail.

A letter was received from Roger Storey, Rice County Assessor, concerning new laws which allow cities to transfer their local Board of Review powers and duties to the Counties. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously not to transfer the Board of Review duties to the Rice County Board of Commissioners.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to grant Virginia Schmidtke vacation leave as requested.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant permission to the W.E.M. School District to close 2nd Street S.E. from Ann Street to Chestnut Street on Friday, November 7, 1997, if the football game is played on the Morristown field.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to submit a governmental request to the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association for \$7,000 from their lawful gambling profits to pay for street repairs and snow removal costs.

It was decided to proceed with obtaining construction and permanent easements from Jeff Dahle, Troy Dahle, Troy Burgess and Dale Melchert to install an underground drainage pipe on the east twelve feet of their property.

Steve Nordmeier reported that Howard Timm hauled fill to the south end of 2nd Street S.W. so the street could be graded and plowed.

Loren Dahle reported that he went to the Rice County Solid Waste Management meeting in Faribault.

Notice was received from MN Planning regarding public meetings about community-based planning. The meetings will be held at various locations around the State.

An invitation was received from the Faribault Workforce Center inviting the council to attend the grand opening of the Center on Thursday, November 13, 1997, at the Faribo Town Square.

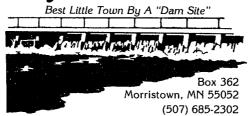
A notice was received from James Wolf, District One Hospital Chief Executive Officer, announcing postponement of their Annual Meeting for Elected Officials. The meeting will be held in January, 1998.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, November 17, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. and to interview maintenance applicants beginning at 6:30 p.m

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting November 17, 1997

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, November 27, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

The Council interviewed three candidates for the position of part-time maintenance person. Following the interviews a motion was made by Steve Nordmeier, seconded by Harlan Melchert and carried unanimously to offer the position to Russell Morsching.

Serorna Harter, Manager, River View Mobil Home Park, was present and asked the Council to install one or two street lights on Verdev Drive. Steve Nordmeier will look into the request.

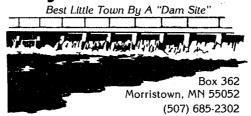
Discussion was held concerning remodeling/rebuilding of the Community Hall. The Council discussed demolition of the Hall and floor plans for a new building.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$962.44 from the General Fund, \$204.50 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$3.79 from the Water Fund and \$4.88 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting December 2, 1997

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, December 2, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Russell Morsching, maintenance worker, Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator and Don and Maxine Nordmeier. Council member Dale Dulas arrived at 8:35 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m., in accordance with advertised notice, a public hearing was held to hear reasons for or against a request by Don Nordmeier that he not provide a hard surfaced driveway to an unattached storage garage located on his property described as Part of Lot 1, Block 1, Auditor's Plat No. 1, Morristown, Rice County, Minnesota. Zoning Ordinance 91-144, Section 3.6, B.13 requires that any accessory structure constructed that is capable of storing one or more motorized vehicles shall be provided with a hard surfaced driveway connection to an adjacent public street. No persons present spoke for or against the request. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant the variance as requested.

Following the variance hearing a Truth in Taxation hearing was held. No one was present for the hearing. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the 1998 Budget and adopt Resolution 1997-8.

Resolution 1997-8

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, COUNTY OF RICE, MINNESOTA, that the following sums of money be levied for the current year, collectible in 1998, upon the taxable property in the City of Morristown for the following purposes:

General Fund \$60,800.00 Sanitary Sewer Fund 8,000.00 TOTAL \$68,800.00

The City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Rice County, Minnesota.

Adopted this 2nd day of December, 1997. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 3, 1997, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held November 17, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$28,439.85 in the Checking Account and \$567,658.27 in the Investment Account for the month ending November 30, 1997.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of November, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing Harold Neilson to attend a SEMRT class on community policing in Faribault, December 11, 1997, and to pay the \$30 registration fee.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing Randy Baumgard, Harold Neilson and Karl Luiken to attend Use of Force training and to pay their registration fees and expenses.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the Fire Department report for the month of November, 1997, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing Russell Morsching to spend up to \$500 for tools and miscellaneous equipment.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to purchase and install a cutting edge on the tractor bucket.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to have the shift on the tractor repaired by Matajeck's.

Russell Morsching reported that part of an electrical box used for Christmas decorations is missing. He is to purchase a new one and Steve Felix volunteered to install it on the pole.

It was decided to table a request to purchase a snow blower.

Kevin Lemm reported that phase one of a well head protection plan needs to be implemented by June, 1999. He recommended that a team be appointed to work on phase one which includes identifying a boundary, inventorying the area and initiating a plan to protect the area. It was decided to appoint a team at the next work session/special meeting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow Russell Morsching to work up to 40 hours per week as needed. Kevin Lemm agreed to teach Russell how to operate the water and wastewater plant.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to issue a zoning permit to Roland Rutz to enclose the southeast part of Rutz Organ Company building as per application on file.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to table a request from Travis Sleeuwenhoek to build a retaining wall on the south edge of his property near the drainage ditch until a formal application is received.

Discussion was held regarding a concern of silt being washed into the ditch north of South Dahle Addition. Mayor Felix volunteered to notify Larry Dahle that he has to protect the environment during construction by installing a fence to prevent silt runoff.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to submit a governmental request to the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association for \$1,670 and to the American Legion Post 149 for \$670 from their lawful gambling profits to pay for pagers for the Morristown Skywarn committee.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to purchase new brooms for the street sweeper.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow the Jaycees to use the Community Hall free of charge on January 3, 1998, for a teen dance and to provide a police officer for the dance.

It was decided to purchase two temporary "postal patron parking only" signs to be installed in front of the post office on days auctions are held at the Community Hall.

It was decided to notify Woody Schrader that he cannot use the Community Hall six days for an auction and that he must remove the pictures and boxes from the stage area.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$797.11 from the General Fund, \$77.91 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$155.75 from the Water Fund and \$64.16 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$896.48 from the General Fund, \$439.93 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$38.03 from the Water Fund, \$219.08 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund, and \$106.43 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the end of year claims totaling \$6,345 from the General Fund, \$1,650 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$8,000 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Discussion was held concerning remodeling/rebuilding of the Community Hall. Jeffrey Wenker reported that he has an appointment to meet with a representative from MetCon next week and will have more information for the next meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to submit a request to Northern States Power Company requesting the placement of two street lights on Verdev Drive.

Dale Dulas arrived at this point of the meeting.

Randy Baumgard presented a bid of \$20,433 for the purchase of a 1998 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor. Lengthy discussion was held concerning whether or not to purchase a police car. Don Nordmeier was present and asked to submit a bid. Motion by Melchert, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to seek a bid from Nordmeier Chevrolet. Council members voted as follows: Felix, Melchert, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1997-9 supporting Minnesota Department of Health's study of Mobile Home Parks.

Resolution 1997-9

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota has assumed responsibility for the regulation of mobil home parks through the Minnesota Department of Health, and,

WHEREAS, serious issues face mobil home park residents and their host communities related to general living and housing conditions and public safety, and,

WHEREAS, the League of Minnesota Cities is proposing legislation which would require the Minnesota Department of Health to conduct a statewide study of mobile home park issues and to develop proposed solution for these issues,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Morristown City Council declares its support for adoption by the Minnesota Legislature of the legislation proposed by the League of Minnesota Cities requiring the Minnesota Department of Health to conduct a statewide study of mobil home parks.

Adopted this 2nd day of December, 1997.
All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to allow walkers to walk in the Community Hall at 6:00 a.m. as requested.

It was decided to table discussion of the water and sewer user rates until another meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried to ratify the 1998 wages. The 1998 salaries are as follows: Randy Baumgard, \$14.25 per hour; Part time police officers, \$10.00 per hour; Community Hall police, \$50 per event; Virginia Schmidtke, \$12.00 per hour; Charles Krenik, \$62.00 per month; part time maintenance workers, \$9.00 per hour, on call maintenance workers, minimum wage; Charles and Sharon Krenik, \$10 per hour to clean city officers and \$50 per event to clean the Community Hall; Kevin Lemm, \$1,200 per month and Dave Shafer, \$15 per day.

Discussion was held concerning whether ATVs are allowed on the designated snowmobile routes.

Discussion was held concerning the increasing number of times the Rice County deputies patrol the city streets.

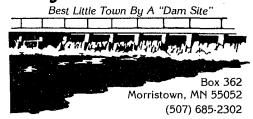
A letter was received from Roger Storey, Rice County Assessor regarding the local Board of Review's responsibilities.

It was decided to have a work session/special meeting Monday, December 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting December 22, 1997

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, December 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Dale Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk, Russell Morsching, Kevin Lemm, Loren Dahle, Larry Dahle and Dave Osborne.

Dave Osborne expressed interest in becoming a reserve office with the Morristown Police Department. There would be no financial expense to the City in supporting the sponsorship. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to sponsor Dave Osborne for his police training.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$5,320.86 from the General Fund, \$850.29 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$212.82 from the Water Fund and \$878.59 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to submit a governmental request to the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association for \$5,000 for fire equipment and \$1,500 for two portable radios that are compatible with the Fire Department radios.

Discussion was held concerning remodeling/rebuilding of the Community Hall. Jeff Wenker reported that he received an estimate of \$30 - \$35 per square foot to build a new building plus approximately \$15,000 to demolish the present building. It was decided to form a committee to discuss the project. Steve Felix volunteered to visit with Community Organizations to solicit members to the building committee.

Motion Wenker, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to allow the Morristown day care providers to use the Community Hall free of charge once a week for gym day.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that according to Darin Feist, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is reviewing the plans for the Wastewater improvements and the project will be ready for bidding in February.

Kevin Lemm volunteered to contact the Rural Water Association to arrange a meeting to discuss a wellhead protection plan. Members of the team will be Loren Dahle, Kevin Lemm, Jeff Wenker and Steve Felix.

Kevin Lemm reported that he will meet with Russell Morsching at least once a week to teach him how to operate the water and wastewater plant.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to purchase paint for the maintenance shop.

Discussion was held concerning whether or not all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) can be driven on city streets. State statue says cities may by ordinance allow the operation of ATVs on designated roadways by permit only from sunrise to sunset. No formal action was taken.

A draft tobacco ordinance for the City was presented and discussed. It was decided to table the discussion until the January 5, 1998 meeting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to grant a permit to John Miller to operate a consignment store at 102 Division Street South.

Motion by Melchert, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to give Herman Schlie a bonus of \$200 for extra work he accomplished this past summer.

Discussion was held concerning a suggestion from Hugh Valient, Department of Natural Resources representative, that a green corridor be protected along the Sakatha State Trail from Morristown to Warsaw. No action was taken.

A burning request from Gerald Kokoschke was denied.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to grant Woody Schrader permission to install a phone jack in the Community Hall as requested and that Mr. Schrader be responsible for all expenses including the monthly billing fee.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Melchert and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke