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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting January 4, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, January 4, 1999, at 7:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Councilmembers present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker, Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Loren Dahle and Tim Strobel.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 7, 1998, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending December 31, 1998, which showed a balance of \$3,626.98 in the Checking Account and \$925,829.36 in the Investment Account

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of December, 1998, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier establish a Police Office Capital Outlay Account and to deposit the surplus of \$3,627 from the 1998 police budget into the account.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of December, 1998, as printed. The report included the number of fire and rescue calls the Fire Department responded to in 1998.

No one from the Morristown Fire Relief Association was present so it was decided to table the discussion concerning a request by the Fire Department to increase the Fire Department members pension \$100 for each year of membership.

Dale Dulas requested a list of the 1998 Fire Relief charitable gambling contributions. He was told to contact either Darrel Hopman or Dennis Merritt.

Russell Morsching reported on the construction progress at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Discussion was held with regard to purchasing a one ton, 4-wheel drive truck with plow to plow the secondary streets. It was decided to look into the cost.

Russell Morsching reported that he cleaned the snow away from the hydrants. It was discussed to have Russ remove the snow from the intersections.

Dulas questioned the amount of sand spread on the streets after the last snowfall.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept the Zoning Board report dated December 10, 1998, as printed.

Mayor Felix reported the Zoning Board members request the Council to respond in writing when Zoning Board recommendations are denied.

Scott Allen volunteered to contact Kim Taylor to see if she is interested in the Emergency Management position.

A report was received from Steve Nordmeier regarding the disaster drill that will take place in Morristown April 17, 1999. One meeting of the team leaders was held and another meeting will be held January 19, 1999.

Loren Dahle was present and recommended that a salary increase be considered in the year 2000 budget for on-call maintenance employees.

Ernie Nordmeier invited the council to attend the annual Fire Department meeting to be held January 11, 1999, at the American Legion.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to pay the printed claims totaling \$3,735.58 from the General Fund, \$598.09 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$540.49 from the Water Fund, \$1,104.80 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$3,379.51 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$70.44 from the General Fund, \$28.79 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$36.35 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$259.91 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the 1998 firemen's reimbursement totaling \$7.364 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund. Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Dulas and Felix voted yes; Nordmeier and Wenker abstained from voting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay Payment Request No. 2 in the amount of \$112,992 and Payment Request No. 3 in the amount of \$147,700 to Gridor Constr., Inc. as recommended by Seth Peterson, Project Engineer, Bolton & Menk, Inc.

A report was received from Jeff Wenker concerning the progress of the committee appointed to study building a new city hall/community building. He mentioned the committee is discussing the purchase of a two or three acre plot from Larry Dahle.

Virginia Schmidtke reported Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer, called in response to a letter sent to him dated December 15, concerning construction of County Road 16 South. He agreed to the water shut off valve at the intersection of County proposed Sidney Street East. He stated the road was transitioned down from city to rural in compliance with State of Minnesota standards, that it was built as it was designed and will changed. The Council disagreed with the response. It was decided to request a copy of the plans and specifications from the Engineer. request Dan Minnick, Rice County Commissioner, to attend the next work session/special meeting to be held January 25, 1999, and to send one or two council members to a Rice County commissioners meeting.

Discussion was held concerning a plugged storm sewer on 2nd Street S.W. from Main Street south to the N.S.P. substation. Russell Morsching is to research the cost replacing the storm sewer.

Steve Felix volunteered to contact N.S.P. regarding a time frame for installing street lights on Verdev Drive.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to request Rice County to install a 30 mile per hour speed limit on Division Street from the intersection of Division Street and Chestnut Street south to the city limits.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the 1999 appointments which are as follows:

Official Depositor
Public Health
Official Newspaper
Police Officer
City Clerk
City Treasurer

State Bank of Morristown
Rice County Environmental Services
Faribault Daily News
Randy Baumgard
Virginia Schmidtke
Charles Krenik

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

Dale Dulas
Scott Allen
Jeff Wenker
Jeff Wenker
Steve Felix
Steve Nordmeier
Dale Dulas
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ning Board Members John Byers, Administrator
Diane O'Hara-Pitan, Chairman
Arnell Anderson, Vice Chairman

James Donahoe Doreen Lietzau Lawrence Wille

Virginia Schmidtke, Secretary

Jim Buscho George Leppert Reuben Krause

Phil Wegner, Alternate

Ernest Nordmeier John Schlie Steve Nordmeier

Revolving Loan Fund

Fire Wardens

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the registration fee, motel and mileage for any council member who wants to attend the 1999 Newly Elected Officials' Conference and to let the Clerk know by January 15, 1999.

Loren Dahle volunteered to coordinate a city wide clean-up day this Spring with solid waste management. He will also arrange for a representative to attend the March meeting to discuss waste management.

A letter was received from the LMCIT Board of Trustees announcing the 1998 property/casualty insurance dividend of \$6,231 which was paid to the City.

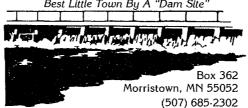
Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held January 25, 1999.

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City Clerk

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### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES. Work Session/Special Meeting January 25, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, January 25, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. members present were Scott Allen and Jeffrey Wenker. Also were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker and Randy Baumgard, Police Officer.

Kelly Yahnke, Engineer, was present and reported on the progress improvements to the Wastewater Plant. The project is ahead of schedule and may be completed by June.

There was no new information concerning plans for a new city hall/community building.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$1,032.40 from the General Fund, from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$16.84 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Correspondence was received concerning a Redevelopment Grant Program Workshop to be held Monday, February 1, 1999, and a Picture It Painted Grant Program.

Virginia Schmidtke announced that a wellhead protection meeting will be held February 18, 1999, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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

Jeff Wenker explained that the frequency the Fire Department expired. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to apply for a new frequency.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that Mitch Rasmussen and Dan Minnick cannot meet to discuss County Road 16 improvements because of litigation. They will attend one of the February meetings to discuss rebuilding of the bridge on County Road 16 which is 4th Street N.W. within the city limits and a five year street improvement plan.

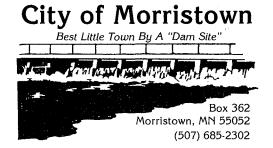
Discussion was held concerning complaints of persons driving snowmobiles on private property without the owners permission.

Lengthy discussion was held concerning whether to purchase a truck and plow and to plow city streets or to continue to contract for snow removal service. Russ Morsching presented a price of \$46,985 from Boyer Trucks for a 1989 single-axle truck with plow, box and sander. It was decided to have Russ explore the cost of leasing the equipment.

Discussion was held with regard to building an addition to the maintenance shop for the storage of vehicles and equipment.

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

Virginia Schmidtke



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting February 1, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, February 1, 1999, at 7:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Councilmembers present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas and Steve Nordmeier. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Loren Dahle and Larry Dahle. Councilmember Jeffrey Wenker was absent.

Motion by Nordmeier seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to add that Dale Dulas and Steve Nordmeier were absent from the meeting held January 25, 1999, and to the approve the minutes of the regular meeting held January 4, 1999, and the work session/special meeting held January 25, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending January 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$6,845.90 in the Checking Account and \$757,829.33 in the Investment Account

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of January, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier to allow Randy Baumgard to attend a Drug Interdiction course to be held February 24, 1999, and to pay the registration fee of twenty dollars.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of January, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department Officers as elected at the Firemen's annual meeting January 11, 1999. The officers include Fire Chief Ernest Nordmeier, Assistant Fire Chief John Schlie, Secretary Leon Gregor and Training Officer Darrel Hopman.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to increase the retirement benefit for fire fighters from \$1,000 per year of service to \$1,100 effective immediately as recommended by the Morristown Fire Relief Association. Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Dulas and Felix voted yes; Nordmeier abstained from voting.

Kevin Lemm reported on the construction progress at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. There have been no permit violations during construction.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to change the tumbler and install a new lock and dead bolt on the exterior door of the maintenance shop

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the maintenance report for the month of January, 1999, as presented.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the Zoning Board report dated January 21, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to give a key to the council room Gary Tupa and retrieve the key from George Leppert and give it to Layne Johnson as requested by the Skywarn committee.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Morristown Skywarn report for the meeting January 20, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to sell a lawnmower deck and snow blower the city no longer uses and to advertise for sealed bids with the bids to be opened February 22, 1999.

Loren Dahle asked if the council plans to purchase a website on the Internet and whether the council is aware that Del Voegele is selling pages on a site. Virginia Schmidtke reported that Voegele is working with local businesses to prepare a website. It was discussed to use money from the local cable franchise fees year to help pay the cost.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$4,032.32 from the General Fund, \$17,542.83 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$19,483.56 from the Water Fund and \$1,142.41 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$101.19 from the General Fund, \$177.73 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$364.38 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

No information was received concerning a new city hall/community building. A meeting will be held February 10, 1999, in the Council Room.

Discussion was held concerning whether to purchase a truck and plow and to plow city streets or to continue to contract for snow removal service. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to table until a future time.

A letter was received from the Morristown Commercial club stating they will not renew their set-up license and will discontinue operating the mix room effective March 31, 1999. Dulas volunteered to contact the Jaycees to see if they are interested in selling mix and Virginia Schmidtke is to contact the Minnesota Liquor Control agency for more information on who can sell mix and/or non-intoxicating liquor and what insurance is required.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the 1998 Financial Report as presented.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to decline insurance coverage for injuries to elected officials.

Discussion was held concerning upgrading the computer system to Windows 95 and purchasing the Word and Excel program. The clerk is to look into the cost.

There was no interest in having the clerk attend the Minnesota Clerks and Finance Officers conference.

An letter was received from the Mill Towns Trail Board inviting the council to a focus group meeting February 15, 1999, at the Morristown Community Hall to identify the need for expanding trails in Rice County.

A letter was received from Randy and Jackie Baumgard questioning the professional code of confidentiality of a member of the Morristown Rescue Squad. The letter was discussed and will be placed in Randy's file.

A letter was received from Northern States Power Company inviting the council to a seminar concerning the Year 2000 - Readiness and Industry Restructuring.

A bid of \$1,240 was received from 2-Way Radio of Minnesota, Inc., for changing radio frequencies and obtaining a new frequency for the Fire Department. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the bid as presented.

A copy of a proposed ordinance to amend Ordinance 106 relating to Individual Sewage Treatment Systems was presented. It was decided to review the ordinance and discuss it at another meeting.

Information was presented concerning the Safety and Loss Control Workshops scheduled for 1999.

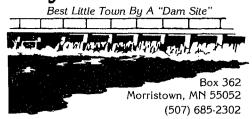
A letter was received from Northern States Power Company containing a summary of the results of an underground electric service delivery study.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve a contract proposal of \$4,950 from Bargen Inc.to complete crack repair treatment of city streets.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, February 22, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

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# City of Morristown



#### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting February 22, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, February 22, 1999, 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, Scott Allen and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk. Council member Steve Nordmeier arrived at 8:40 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m., in accordance with advertised notice, bids were received for the sale of the Wheelhorse lawnmower attachments. It was determined that one bid was received. The bid was \$32.67 for the snow blower attachment and \$17.33 for the cutting deck from Bill Felix. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the bid from Bill Felix as submitted.

Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer and Dan Minnick, Rice County Commissioner, were present. They discussed the County's plans to rebuild the bridge on County Road 16. The proposed bridge will be built this year and will be paid for with State transportation funds.

Mr. Rasmussen discussed Rice County's five year road construction plan. Four years remain in the plan. A copy of the plan is on file with the city clerk.

Discussion was held concerning a request to the County that the speed limit on County Road 16 from the intersection of Chestnut Street south to the city limits be 30 miles per hour both coming into and leaving the City. Mr. Rasmussen stated that a resolution will be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Transportation requesting a speed zone study.

The Council expressed interest in purchasing signs through the Rice County Highway Department. Mr. Rasmussen advised the Council to contact Jeff Jewison.

Discussion was held with regard to installing an access from County Road 16 to a future proposed site for a new Community building.

Jeff Wenker presented proposed plans to purchase a three acre site from Larry Dahle on which to build a Community building. The asking

price for three acres is \$22,500 plus \$8,398.50 to extend sanitary service. The City would also be responsible for survey fees, environmental impact studies, legal fees, abstract fees and closing costs.

Steve Nordmeier arrived at this point in the meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$8,941.61 from the General Fund, \$581.08 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund \$90,060.07 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund, \$1,999.41 from the Water Fund and \$779.39 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

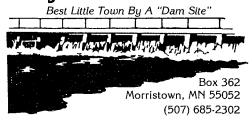
Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Morristown, to enter into a contract with Rice County requesting the Rice County Sheriff to supervise all part-time peace officers working for the City.

Virginia Schmidtke was instructed to contact the city attorney regarding the status of the storm shelter at Riverview Mobil Home Park.

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

Virg<sup>i</sup>nia Schmidtke

### City of Morristown



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting March 1, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, March 1, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Council members present were Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer and Larry Dahle. Councilmember Scott Allen was absent. Dale Dulas arrived at 8:05 p.m.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 1, 1999, and the work session/special meeting held February 22, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending February 28, 1999, which showed a balance of \$5,378.47 in the Checking Account and \$817,829.33 in the Investment Account

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of February, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of February, 1999, as printed.

Discussion was held with regard to purchasing a new lawnmower. It was decided to have Russell Morsching get prices from dealers.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow Russ Morsching to attend the Wastewater Operations Seminar, March 17 - 19 and to pay the registration fee, lodging fees and mileage.

The Zoning Board report was discussed. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send a letter to the owner of Riverview Mobil Home Park stating that all utility sheds and garages built or placed in the Park must be constructed upon a concrete slab or floating foundation, as per Section 3.6.B.10 of the Zoning Ordinance, or permits will be denied.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to send a letter to Patrick Chavie notifying him that he is not in compliance with Section 3.6.B.13 of the Zoning Ordinance.

A request for a variance hearing was received from John and Terri Byers to build a  $30^{\circ} \times 36^{\circ}$  addition 17 feet from the front yard property line on property described as 106 feet of Lots 1, 2 and 3 and the east one-half of the west alley way, Block 11, Nathan's Addition. The required minimum yard requirements in the "R-1" Residential District is 20 feet from the front yard property line. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant a variance hearing to John and Terri Byers as requested and to have the hearing Monday, March 22, 1999, at 8:00 p.m.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously grant a business license to Sherri Oppegard as per application on file.

Gary Tupa, Skywarn Director, presented the Skywarn report. He requested authorization to purchase two hand held scanners and two rechargeable batteries. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to purchase the scanners and batteries as requested. Cost of the equipment is approximately \$250.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to subscribe to the DTN Weather Center Internet system from March through October as requested by the Skywarn committee.

Gary Tupa stated that the Skywarn committee is considering ideas to raise funds to purchase equipment. It was decided the committee could use the Community Hall free of charge if they decide to sponsor a dance.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Morristown Skywarn report for the month of February, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$2,920.12 from the General Fund, \$427.95 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$389.56 from the Water Fund, \$25.65 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$7,012.06 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$144.27 from the General Fund, \$317.56 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$683.42 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Discussion was held concerning proposed plans to purchase a three acre site from Larry Dahle on which to build a Community building.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to enter into a tentative agreement with Larry to purchase three acres for \$22,500 and agree to pay for a part of the water and sewer utilities amounting to approximately \$8,400 with the stipulation that if the plans fall though the agreement is null and void.

It was discussed to visit with engineers and grant writers at one of the next special or regular meetings to see what grants may be available to the city.

Steve Nordmeier updated the council regarding plans for a disaster drill to be held April 17, 1999. It was decided to send a letter to the citizens informing them of the drill.

Jan Rossow, representing the Morristown Jaycees, was present to discuss their organization operating the mix room at the Community Hall and whether they could sell mix and non-intoxicating liquor. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant the Morristown Jaycees a non-intoxicating liquor license to sell 3.2 beer in the Community Hall with the fee to be \$15 per year upon proof of liability insurance.

Dale Dulas arrived at this point in the meeting.

George Hagge representing Hear First-Waseca was present to discuss joining their service in providing 24 hour information over the telephone. The city would place information on Hear First-Waseca as a way to communicate with the citizens of Morristown and would include information such as time and temperature, weather, council and committee meeting dates, etc. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to try the service for six months.

Discussion was held with regard to sponsoring a city wide clean up day. Steve Nordmeier volunteered to contact Archambault Bros. and Steve Felix volunteered to contact Loren Dahle who had previously offered to help organize a clean up day.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to sponsor the annual dog clinic on April 24, 1999.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to direct the City Clerk to send a letter to Joanne Speilman, owner of Riverview Mobil Home Park, requesting that an evacuation plan or a plan to build a storm shelter be submitted to the City Council for review by April 30, 1999, or before the contract with the WEM school district expires.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that Archambault Bros. request an increase in the garbage service charge from \$2,167.48 to \$2,382.26

per month due to the increase in the number of homes retroactive to January 1, 1999. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried to approve the increase as requested.

A letter was received from the MN Association of Small Cities concerning a tax increment financing and municipal bond seminar to be held March 11, 1999.

A letter was received from the Minnesota Department of Administration, Building Codes Division, regarding bleacher safety.

A letter was received from Mike Kirchoff, Allied Adjusters, Inc., notifying the Council that he needs information to settle two claims made by the city and that if no progress is made within 30 days he will assume the City has voluntarily withdrawn their claims. Jeff Wenker volunteered to take care of the matter.

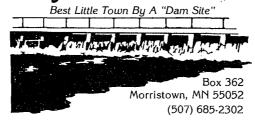
A complaint concerning debris from a mobil home that is being demolished and refrigerators and freezers stored behind a mobil home was received. The matter was referred to the Police Department.

It was discussed to have Russell Morsching read meters.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, March 22, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke

### City of Morristown



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting March 22, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, March 22, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk, Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer, John Byers and Don Nordmeier.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to request \$1,200 from the Morristown Fire Relief charitable gambling to purchase scanners and air meters for the Skywarn Department. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Felix and Nordmeier voted yes; Wenker abstained from voting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to purchase four wellhead protection area signs and post two signs by each well.

A report was received from Jeff Wenker concerning the progress of the committee appointed to study building a new government center. Wenker presented drawings of a proposed building and offices. The next meeting building committee meeting will be held April 29, 1999.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to allow Russ Morsching to spend up to \$1,000, plus the cost of paint, to hire a painter to paint the walls and ceiling at the Community Hall.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$2,611.24 from the General Fund, \$942.90 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund \$238.16 from the Water and \$11.98 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay Payment Request No. 5 in the amount of \$121,301 to Gridor Constr., Inc. as recommended by Seth Peterson, Project Engineer, Bolton and Menk, Inc.

A letter was received from Sheila Wallace alleging that the city trespassed and did damage to property owned by the Riverview Mobil Home Park while improvements were being made at the wastewater treatment facility. The letter requested the City Council to contact the WEM School District about using the Morristown school building as an evacuation site for residents of the Park in lieu of being sued. Virginia Schmidtke reported that Gridor Constr. will contact the Park owner regarding any property damage and that it is the Park owner's responsibility to contact the school board regarding the use of the school building.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-1 adopting Ordinance 160.

#### Resolution 1999-1

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes No. 115.55 requires that City Ordinances regulating individual sewage treatment systems comply with the rules adopted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA, to adopt Ordinance 160 amending Ordinance 106 relating to individual sewage treatment systems and adopting new regulations.

Adopted this 22nd day of March, 1999.

All councilmembers voted yes to the question.

At 8:00 p.m., in accordance with advertised notice, a variance hearing was held to consider a request from John and Terri Byers 106 East Chestnut Street, to build a 30' x 36' room addition 17 feet from the front yard property line on property described as 106 feet of Lots 1, 2 and 3, and the east one-half of the closed alley, Block 21, Nathan's Addition. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to pass Resolution 1999-2 granting a variance to John and Terri Byers as requested.

#### Resolution 1999-2

WHEREAS, A request was received from John and Terri Byers, 106 East Chestnut Street, Morristown, Rice County, Minnesota, to build a 30'  $\times$  36' room addition 17 feet from the front yard property line on property described as 106 feet of Lots 1, 2 and 3, and the east one-half of the vacated alley, Block 21, Nathan's Addition.

WHEREAS, The required minimum front yard requirement in the "R" Residential District is twenty (20) feet (Ordinance 144, Section 9.2,D.1.a).

WHEREAS, In accordance with advertised notice, the Morristown City Council held a variance hearing Monday, March 22, 1999, at 8:00 p.m. to consider the request and,

WHEREAS, No one was present to speak for or against the variance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA to grant the variance as requested.

Adopted this 22nd day of March, 1999. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas abstained from voting. Russ Morsching presented bids for a new lawnmower. The bids were as follows:

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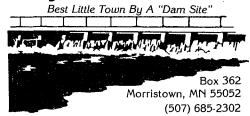
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### City of Morristown



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting April 5, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, April 5, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Dale Dulas arrived at 7:10 p.m. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator, Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Ernest Nordmeier, Fire Chief;, Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Paul Winkelman, Don Nordmeier, Larry Dahle and Loren Dahle.

Motion by Nordmeier seconded by Wenker and carried to correct page 2, paragraph 4 of the March 1, 1999 minutes to read: Cost of the equipment is approximately \$1,250 instead of \$250, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 1, 1999, as corrected and to approve the minutes of the work session/special meeting held March 22, 1999, as printed. Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained from voting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending March 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$11,694.27 in the Checking Account and \$817,829.33 in the Investment Account. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained from voting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to approve the police report for the month of March 1999, as printed. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained from voting.

Dale Dulas arrived at this point in the meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-3 requesting the Commissioner of Transportation to install 30 mile per hour speed signs from the intersection of Chestnut Street South to the city limits.

### Resolution 1999-3

WHEREAS, improvements to County Road 16 from Chestnut Street south to the city limits have resulted in increased speed, and

WHEREAS, the east side of the road is being developed for residences, and

WHEREAS, the speed limit everywhere in the City of Morristown is enforced at 30 mph pursuant to city ordinance, and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of law enforcement officers that the speeds at which people are traveling on that road are unsafe and that this opinion is shared by the city council,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA, to request the Commissioner of Transportation to install 30 mile per hour speed signs on the above described portion of County Road 16, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to direct the Commissioner of Transportation to promptly review the situation and the establishment of appropriate speeds.

By order of the Morristown City Council this 5th day of April, 1999.

Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried to invite Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, to attend the work session/special meeting to be held April 19, 1999, to discuss the proposed liquor ordinance.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to approve the Fire Department report for the month of March, 1999, as printed. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried to apply to the Associated Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) for radio frequency 155.100 MHz to be used by the Morristown Fire Department. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to approve the maintenance report for the month of March, 1999, as printed. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

Russ Morsching reported that a locksmith will be here Wednesday, April 7, 1999, to change locks on the maintenance shop door.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to purchase a manhole cover from Gridor Construction and to have the water/wastewater personnel make a hatch with an access for it. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

A letter was received from Reynolds Welding Supply Co. stating the present ten year cylinder loan agreement is expiring. Cost to extend

the agreement ten years is \$252.86. Russ reported that a life time lease from Matejeck's is \$389. It was decided to table the matter until more information is received.

Items discussed at the March 22 and April 5, 1999, Zoning Board meetings which need to be addressed by the City Council include the following:

1. A motion was made, seconded and carried to recommend to amend Section 8. "A" Agricultural District, 8.10, Conditional Uses of the Zoning Ordinance to include any two family or multi family dwelling be allowed as a conditional use and that the relocation and/or placement of dwellings which have been occupied in a previous location be allowed as a Conditional Use.

Paul Winkelman submitted an application and plan to divide part of the N.E. quarter of Section 27, Township 109, Range 22 West into three parcels of land and to move a dwelling onto Parcel Two. The Zoning Board voted to have a Conditional Use hearing Thursday, April 22, 1999, to hear reasons for or against the request. Larry Dahle suggested the council address future streets, city water and sewer and orderly growth.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-4 adopting Ordinance 161 to amend Section 8 of Ordinance 144

#### Resolution 1999-4

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA, to adopt Ordinance 161 amending Section 8. "A" Agricultural District, 8.10, Conditional Uses of Zoning Ordinance 144 to include that any two family or multi family dwelling be allowed as a conditional use and that the relocation and/or placement of dwellings which have been occupied in a previous location be allowed as a Conditional Use.

Adopted this 5th day of April, 1999. All council members voted yes to the question.

- 2. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to send a letter to Joanne Speilman, River View Mobil Home Park owner, notifying her that street lights must be installed on the east side of the park by June 30, 1999, and also to remind her that all mobil homes must be numbered as per Section 13.7.A.5. and I.2. of Zoning Ordinance 144. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.
- 3. The Zoning Board expressed a concern regarding a water heater, scrap metal and other debris that is being stored near the water storage tank.

4. An application was received from Phil Wegner to install an eighteen inch satellite dish on the tower in his rear yard located at 303 West Main Street. The Zoning Board acknowledged receipt of the application, reviewed it and concluded that it falls within the Zoning guidelines.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to approve the Zoning Board report as printed. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$4,765.44 from the General Fund, \$358.36 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$970.71 from the Water Fund, \$2,735.43 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$6,769.79 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$2,793.38 from the General Fund, \$31.26 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$1331.95 from the Water Fund, \$620.77 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$182.13 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Jeff Wenker reported the Government Center building committee met to discuss plans for a building and will meet with grant writers in the near future.

Steve Nordmeier updated the council regarding plans for a disaster drill to be held April 17, 1999. A letter has been prepared to be sent to the public informing them of the drill.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of a new lawnmower. The following bids were received at the council meeting held March 18, 1999.

Snapper:	Nordmeier Bros. ZF2500KH-61	\$6,425.00 plus tax
	Nordmeier Bros. ZM220SK/61	\$4,800.00 plus tax
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John Deer Ag Power - F911 \$7,950.22 Ag Power - F735 \$6,443.25

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried to purchase a lawn mower. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained.

Motion by Dulas to purchase a Groundmaster 120-52 from Manke Service for \$4,995 plus tax. The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by Nordmeier to purchase a 61 inch mid mount for \$4,800 plus tax from Nordmeier Bros. The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to toss out all bids out and get new ones and decided what size to get - 52" or 61". Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no; Felix abstained.

Russ Morsching reported that he received a price of \$3,780 to paint the walls and ceiling at the Community Hall, \$2,700 to paint just the walls, \$1,005 to refinish the floor and \$200 for screens for the sander. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried not to spend that much money on the Community Hall. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained from voting.

Dale Dulas left at this point in the meeting.

Chuck Pettipiece presented several options concerning sewer rate increases and rates based on waste usage. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to base the sewer rates on water usage, to charge a minimum of \$10 per month plus \$1.75 per thousand beginning July 1, 1999 and \$10 per month plus \$3.15 per thousand beginning January 1, 2000. Discussion was held with regard to billing monthly. It was decided to try and start monthly billing August 1, 1999.

Loren Dahle presented information on a city clean up day. Discussion was held to accept one appliance, four tires, corrugated cardboard and two pieces of furniture. It was discussed to charge \$20 for each additional appliance, \$5.00 for each additional tire and \$20 for each additional piece of furniture. The clean up day was tentatively set for May 22, 1999. Loren will discuss the plan with the recycling center and the matter was tabled until the next work session/special meeting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to renew the yard waste contract for 1999 with Rice County. A copy of the contract is on file with the clerk. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained; Dulas was absent.

A bid of \$5,200 was received from Meschke Construction to repair wind damage to the grandstand at the baseball field and \$1,875 to repair wind damage to repair the roof, soffit and fascia at the Community Hall. The bids were approved by the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust. Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried to rebuild the roof and repair the bleachers. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained; Dulas was absent.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to refinance the 1990 G.O. Water Revenue Bonds as proposed by Evensen Dodge Inc. if refinancing the bonds results in a savings of at least \$25,000.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to pass Resolution 1999-5 supporting the repeal of the state sales tax for local government purchases. Because of the length of the resolution it is not being reprinted in the minutes. A copy of the Resolution is on file with the city clerk. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained; Dulas was absent.

Discussion was held concerning a question from Jerry Mulvehill as to whether Bloomer Street will be moved to the north when the bridge on County Road 16 is rebuilt. It was determined that the road will stay the same.

A letter was received from Joann Bennett, Riverside MHP owner, giving the city an April 6, 1999, deadline to obtain an agreement from the WEM School District to use the Morristown school building as a storm shelter. The letter was placed on file.

It was decided to charge the Waterville boy scouts \$50 for use of the Community Hall on April 18, 1999.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept a bid from Timm's Trucking for street maintenance services for the year of April 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000. A copy of the bid is on file with the city clerk.

It was decided that those who wish to renew their golf cart permits must also submit a physicians certificate and proof of insurance.

The following correspondence was received:

- A packet was received from the Minnesota Department of Administration containing information cities should address regarding the Year 2000.
- 2. An invitation to attend a seminar on Open Space and Development-How They Can Co-Exist to be held Wednesday, April 21, 1999, from 1:00 4:00 p.m. at Trucker's Inn in Faribault
- 3. Notice that the Board of Review Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
- 4. A letter was received from the Minnesota Department of Health Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund regarding announcing that
  they are accepting new proposals for the Drinking Water
  Revolving Fund Project Priority List.
- 5. A letter from Safety First offering the city a cost-effective means of satisfying OSHA requirements.
- 6. A letter from Nickelodeon's Big Help-A-Thon with information for a Help-a-Thon.
- 7. Notice of a Municipal Finance Workshop for Elected Officials to be held April 22 or April 28, 1999.

- 8. Notice of the League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference to be held June 15 18th in Rochester.
- 9. An invitation to participate in the Morristown Dam Days Parade.
- 10. A Franchise Fee payment of \$4,235.18 was received from Cannon Valley Cablevision.
- 11. Notice of a monthly meeting of the Southern Minnesota Lakes
  Region Association Thursday, April 8, 1999, at the Elysian
  Information Center.

It was reported that the clerk's computer is not Y2k compatible. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to purchase a new computer. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained; Dulas was absent.

Discussion was held concerning whether or not the treasurer's position is necessary if the city is required to have an annual audit. The clerk is to look into the matter.

Russ Morsching reported that the key to the tool room at the maintenance room is missing. It was discussed that no one should use tools from the maintenance shop without the maintenance department's permission unless it is an emergency.

Scott Allen mentioned that he has received complaints concerning ground water problems in Meschke South Haven Addition.

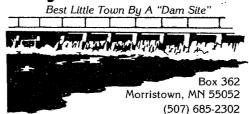
Steve Felix announced that the Historical Society will be repainting signs on the Feed Mill.

It was discussed to look into adopting a jake brake ordinance.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to adjourn. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Felix abstained; Dulas was absent. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, April 19, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting April 19, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, April 19, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk, Kurt Fischer, City Attorney; Randy Baumgard and Dave Osborne, Police Officers; Vivian Dulas, Harlan Melchert, Tammy Johnson, Tom Gruidl, Jon Seewald, Larry Dahle and Harlan Manke.

Lengthy discussion was held regarding a proposed ordinance to replace existing liquor ordinances regulating the sale of alcoholic beverages. Changes were made to the original draft and the matter was table until the regular council meeting to be held May 3, 1999.

The following bids were submitted for a new lawnmower:

Snapper: Nordmeier Bros. ZF2500KH-52 \$5,456.00 plus tax

Ron's Hardware Hank ZF2500KH-52 \$3,452.07

Toro: Manke Service Groundmaster 120-52 \$4,995.00 plus tax

Charlie's Hardware, Inc. 120-52 \$4,260.00

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to accept the low bid if \$3,452.07 from Ron's Hardware Hank if it is a new mower. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Felix and Wenker voted yes; Nordmeier abstained from voting.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to have the mower inspected to see if it meets standards before making payment.

Loren Dahle presented information concerning a city clean up day on Saturday, May 22, 1999. It was discussed to charge \$10 for the first appliance and \$20 for each additional appliance, \$1.00 for the first four tires and \$5.00 for each additional tire with a limit of six tires, and \$20 per piece of furniture with a limit of two pieces per household. All of the above items must be registered with the city clerk or they will not be picked up. It it was also discussed to take corrugated cardboard. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to have clean up day May 22, 1999. Loren will bring more information to the May 3, 1999, council meeting.

There was no new information regarding a proposed Government Center. The building committee will meet with grant writers in the near future.

It was discussed to clean, strip and seal the Community Hall floor. It was decided to table the matter until the next regular meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$213.84 from the General Fund, \$389.49 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$1,165.33 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to to pay Payment Request No. 6 in the amount of \$310,782 to Gridor Constr., Inc. as recommended by Seth Peterson, Project Engineer, Bolton and Menk, Inc.

A letter was received from JoAnn Bennett, owner of Riverview Mobil Home Park, requesting the city council to approve Victor Verdev's garage as a plan of evacuation during a tornado. Councilmembers expressed concern about overhead doors and windows in the garage. Jeff Wenker stated that Vic Verdev would not let him on the property to inspect the garage. It was decided to have the City Attorney send her a letter requesting more information.

It was announced that the Com-Alert system has been repaired and tested. It was decided to have the manual switch in the fire hall repaired.

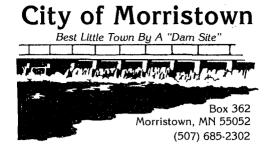
Dale Dulas expressed concern about a Prolawn sign on the baseball dugout at Nordmeier Field. It was decided to contact Rick Vollbrecht to see who authorized the sign.

Virginia Schmidtke mentioned that Russ Morsching is going to work ten hour days, Monday through Thursday. It was decided to have the Mayor contact Russ and set a date for a special meeting to discuss the matter.

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

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting May 3, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, May 3, 1999, 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, Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator, Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Mark Morris, Heather Casperson, Doreen Lietzau, Diane Pitan, George Slinkard, Dennis Merritt, John Byers, Jim Hermel, Nathan Vollbrecht and Larry and Virginia Dahle.

Motion by Dulas seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 5, 1999, and minutes of the work session/special meeting held April 19, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending April 30, 1999, which showed a balance of \$7,385.27 in the Checking Account and \$897,829.33 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of April 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of April, 1999, as printed.

There was no printed maintenance report for the month of April, 1999. The following maintenance items were discussed:

- 1. Russ Morsching reported on the progress of the improvements to the wastewater treatment plant.
- Dulas requested a report concerning the condition of the playground equipment at Centennial Park.
- 3. Nordmeier requested that the streets be swept once more before Dam Days.
- 4. Wenker requested that a screen be placed on the drain pipe coming from the well house.
- 5. It was discussed to paint the curbs, crosswalks and diagonal parking markings.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to purchase super stripe paint for the cross walks and regular paint for diagonal parking markings.

Kevin Lemm reported that some of the new equipment at the wastewater plant is being used and everything is working well.

Discussion was held concerning the cylinder loan agreement from Reynolds Welding Supply that has expired. The cost to renew current ten year lease is \$252.86. Cost of acetylene is \$41.57 and they will deliver. Virginia Schmidtke presented a cost of \$323 for a lifetime lease from Matejecks. Cost of acetylene 18 \$41.75. Hermel offered to allow the city the use of Wholesale's cylinders Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried free of charge. unanimously to accept Jim Hermel's offer and to purchase acetylene and oxygen from Wholesale Tire.

Virginia Schmidtke reviewed items discussed and action taken at the Zoning Board meeting held April 22, 1999. The following action was taken regarding the report:

- 1. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report.
- 2. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to fine Tom Linde \$50 for building a lean-to onto his house without getting a permit.
- Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to David Meschke as per application on file.
- 4. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Pat Chavie as per application on file.
- 5. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas to grant a Conditional Use to Paul Winkelman as per Zoning Board's recommendation. Councilmembers voted as failed. follows: Dulas abstained; Allen, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted no. Larry Dahle and George Slinkard questioned action taken by the Board April 5, 1999, which approved a request from Paul Winkelman to divide part of the N.E. quarter of Section 27, Township Range 22 West into three parcels of land and to move a onto Parcel Two. They expressed dissatifaction project is being allowed without requiring public utilities city streets and without consideration of orderly growth their understanding of the Zoning Ordinance and the Morristown Land Use Policy Plan. David Peterson, attorney representing Larry and Virginia Dahle and George Slinkard also addressed the Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to meet with the Zoning Board Monday, May 17, to discuss the concerns.

Jim Hermel presented an alternate route for the Dam Days parade. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to allow whichever route Jim decides to use.

Scott Johnson, owner of Cannon Valley Cablevision, presented the results of a survey concerning the present channels ranked by popularity, desired channels and comments about the system. He announced that beginning July 1, 1999, TCM, Home and Garden and Comedy Central will be added to the present channels. The current franchise agreement expires this year. He is to contact the Cable Television Committee to work together to write an agreement.

Heather Casperson, Financial Analyst with Evensen Dodge Inc., presented the results of the bid operning held May 3, 1999, at 1:00 p.m. for the sale of the 1999 General Obligation Refunds Bonds. The bids are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Net Interest Cost</u>	<u>Net Interest Rate</u>
United Banker's Bank	\$85,067.50	4.7292%
Miller, Johnson & Kuehn	\$85,475.00	4.7519%
Cronin & Co.	\$87,002.28	4.8368%
Bernardi Securities, Inc.	. \$87,605.84	4.8703%
John G Kinnard & Co.	\$89,001.25	4.9479%

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1999-6 a resolution entitled "A Resolution Authorizing Issuance, Awarding Sale, Prescribing the Form and Details and Providing for the Payment of \$265,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 1999. The sale of the bond was awarded to United Banker's Bank. A copy of the Resolution is on file with the city clerk. Refunding of the bonds resulted in a savings of \$20,000.32 to the city.

Dennis Merritt, Morristown Fire Relief Gambling Manager, was present and submitted an application to conduct one-day off-site gambling. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried to pass Resolution 1999-7 approving the request.

#### Resolution 1999-7

WHEREAS, the Morristown Firemen's Relief Association has submitted a request for a one day, June 6, 1999, off-sale gambling permit on the grandstand stage, 104 South Division Street in Morristown, Minnesota,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORRISTOWN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA, to approve the request as submitted.

Adopted this 3rd day of May, 1999.

Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Dulas, Felix and Nordmeier voted yes; Wenker abstained from voting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$7,539.77 from the General Fund, \$210.00 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$85.60 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$6,769.79 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$212.60 from the General Fund, \$92.18 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$319.50 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Jeff Wenker reported that the Government Center building committee will meet with Chuck Pettipiece May 25, 1999, to discuss grants that may be available.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve Resolution 1999-8 adopting Ordinance 162.

### Resolution 1999-8

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN to adopt Ordinance 162 entitled "An Ordinance Regulating The Sale Of Alcoholic Beverages.

Adopted this 3rd day of May, 1999. All councilmembers voted yes to the question.

No new information was received regarding cleanup day.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to spend up to \$700 to refinish the Community Hall floor.

Wenker reported that he met with members of the Morristown Baseball Association concerning repair of the grandstand roof and bleachers at Nordmeier Field. They discussed installing a new roof, new poles, beams and boards across the back. It was determined that \$10,200 is available to repair the bleachers. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to put \$10,000 towards repair of the roof and bleachers.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the cost of renting one port-a-potty to be used at Nordmeier Field during the baseball season.

Discussion was held concerning a request from Russ Morsching to work four ten hour days - Monday through Thursday. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to allow russ to work Monday through Thursday on a trial basis for one month. Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept a bid of \$1,875 from Meschke Construction to repair the Community Hall roof where shingles, soffit and fascia are missing.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to grant a temporary on-sale non-intoxicating liquor license to the Morristown Area Jaycees for Dam Days June 4, 5 and 6, 1999.

Discussion was held concerning excess ground water in Meschke South Haven Addition. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to have Russ Morsching install a drain tile.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that sometime in the future the Council will need to appoint a member to participate in a citizen committee to provide input to Rice County's Community Based Comprehensive Plan.

A letter was received from Chuck Pettipiece recommending that an adjustment to the proposed sanitary sewer rate per 1,000 gallons of \$1.75 to \$2.25 per thousand gallons be implemented or there would be a debt service shortage in August of 2000. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the increase as recommended by Mr. Pettipiece.

Discussion was held with regard to installing water and sewer across the river when the bridge on County Road 16 is rebuilt. Virginia is to discuss the matter with Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer.

The Board of Review will meet Tuesday, May 4, 1999, at 7:30 p.m. to review and correct the assessments for the year 1999.

There was no interest in attending a seminar regarding OSHA compliance.

Discussion was held concerning a request from Jerry Mulvehill to curve the road further to the north when the bridge on County Road 16 is rebuilt. The council members agreed to look at the road before the next meeting.

Russ Morsching reported that he is attending a water operator's class three hours per night, one or two nights per week. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to pay Russ Morsching for the hours he attends class. Councilmembers voted as follows: Allen, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

Wenker announced that he would have plans for a shelter in Centennial Park by the next council meeting.

Wenker reported the Baseball Association received a discount of \$100 from LawnPro for allowing their sign to be installed on a dugout.

It was discussed to send Warsaw Township a bill for half of the cost to clean up the brush site. No formal action was taken.

It was decided to number the maintenance shop keys before they are distributed.

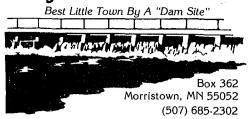
Nordmeier announced that street overlay and repair will begin after Dam Days.

Wenker reported that he installed a padlock on the breaker box at the Fire Hall.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:40~p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, May 17, 1999, at 7:00~p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke

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#### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Board of Review Meeting May 4, 1999

The annual Board of Review meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Tuesday, May 4, 1999, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk, was absent. present were Erv Kucinka, Rice County Assessor; Larry Dahle and Darrel Hopman.

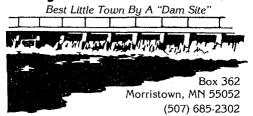
The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 1999 market value of the property in Morristown.

Darrel Hopman questioned how the increase on three tracts of his property was calculated. Mr. Kucinka stated the increase is based on the sale of small acre tracks of property within the city.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried to adjourn. The Board of Review Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

> Virginia Schmidtke City Clerk

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## MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES. Work Session/Special Meeting May 17, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, May 17, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Zoning Board members present were Diane Pitan, Doreen Lietzau, James Donahoe and Zoning Administrator, John Byers. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk, Kurt Fischer, City Attorney; Larry Dahle, George Slinkard, Paul Winkelman and Keith Nelson.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to reconsider a Conditional Use request from Paul Winkelman to move a dwelling onto Parcel Two in the N.E. quarter of Section 27, Township 109, Range 22 West. Lengthy discussion was held regarding the request. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to grant a Conditional Use Permit to Paul Winkelman as requested with the following conditions set forth by the Zoning Board:

- 1. That houses moved in must be inspected.
- 2. Two sites must be available for a septic system
- 3. A licensed mover must move in the structures.
- 4. A Zoning permit is required to dig the basements.
- Hard surface driveways are required if garages are built.
- 5. If siding is damaged during the move, the siding must be replaced.
- 7. When city water and sewer becomes within 100 feet of the property, all houses must be connected to city utilities.

Felix, Wenker and Nordmeier volunteered to help with cleanup day May 22nd. Eleven forms were returned. Items are to be placed at the curb.

Discussion was held concerning whether to lower water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer lines on 4th Street S.W. from Franklin Street to the bridge on County Road 16 when the bridge is rebuilt and also whether to install water and sanitary sewer lines across the river and to County Road 16. It was decided to look into the costs.

There was no new information regarding a proposed Government Center. The building committee will meet with grant writers May 25, 1999.

Discussion was held concerning a request from Sunshine apartment to reshape their lawn to prevent water from accumulating near playground equipment. No action was taken since it is on private property. They were advised to work with the adjacent property owners.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$1,657.81 from the General Fund, \$229.84 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$2,527.46 from the Water Fund, \$322.44 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$5,805.37 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to to pay Payment Request No. 7 in the amount of \$44,094 to Gridor Constr., Inc. as recommended by Seth Peterson, Project Engineer, Bolton and Menk, Inc.

Discussion was held concerning a request from Russ Morsching to purchase a new drill press. Cost for a new press is approximately \$200. It was decided to table the request until the regular meeting.

Discussion was held concerning reports of people other than Morristown residents who are dumping brush at the brush site and also items other than leaves and brush that are being dumped at the site. It was decided to discuss the matter at the June 7, 1999, council meeting.

Virginia Schmidtke is to contact Kurt Fischer, City Attorney, to see what action has been taken regarding the storm shelter at River View Mobil Home Park.

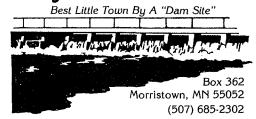
Discussion was held concerning two sanitary sewer manholes that are leaking in Meschke South Haven 2nd Addition and also whether the road was installed according to plans. It was decided to contact Bolton and Menk to see if the work is being inspected.

Motion by Dulas seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke

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## MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting June 7, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, June 7, 1999, 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, Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Russell Morsching, Maintenance Worker; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator; Chuck Krenik, Treasurer; and Larry Dahle.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to correct page 2, paragraph 4, number 5 of the May 3, 1999 minutes to read "Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker (instead of Dulas) to grant a Conditional Use to Paul Winkelman as per Zoning Board's recommendation", to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 3, 1999, as corrected, to approve the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held May 4, 1999, as printed and to approve the minutes of the work session/special meeting held May 17, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending May 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$8,037.50 in the Checking Account and \$898,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of May 1999, as printed.

Discussion was held concerning a water service that has been disconnected at 300 3rd Street S.E.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to support the Rice County Sheriff Department's request to establish a K-9 program and to contribute \$250 per year, beginning this year, if the program is implemented.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of May, 1999, as printed.

The following maintenance items were discussed:

- 1. Complaints of low water pressure were discussed.
- 2. Kevin Lemm reported there was vandalism at the wastewater plant
- 3. Russell reported there is playground equipment that needs to be repaired.
- 4. Dulas requested that water hydrants not be flushed until after 8:00 a.m.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the maintenance report as printed.

Wenker and Nordmeier left the meeting for a rescue call.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to spend up to \$250 to purchase a bench drill press and bits.

Kevin Lemm reviewed the Minnesota Department of Health's report of their investigation of the water system. A copy of the report was received and placed on file.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously that keys to the maintenance shop and to the first door in the maintenance area be given to each councilmember for emergency situations or else remove the lock to the back room.

There was no Zoning Board report because the Zoning Board did not meet in May.

There was no Skywarn report.

Russ Morsching mentioned that the Community Floor is being refinished. It was decided to purchase rubberized feet for the tables and chairs.

Wenker and Nordmeier returned at this point in the meeting.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$2,054.35 from the General Fund, \$174.70 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$61 from the Water Fund, \$416.06 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$239.73 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund and to pay the late claims totaling \$5,917.86 from the General Fund, \$22.76 from the Water Fund and \$4,943.31 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to to pay Payment Request No. 8 in the amount of \$85,370 to Gridor Constr., Inc. as recommended by Seth Peterson, Project Engineer, Bolton and Menk, Inc.

Jeff Wenker reported that the Government Center building committee met with Chuck Pettipiece to discuss grants that may be available and that Mr. Pettipiece will contact the committee with grant information.

Wenker announced that the Morristown Baseball Association is preparing plans and obtaining bids for the repair of the bleachers at Nordmeier Field.

A letter was received from Kurt Fischer, city attorney, stating that the city does not need to adopt a jake brake ordinance but, instead, can enforce prohibiting "jake braking" under the City of Morristown's Traffic Code. Motion by Allen, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to purchase six "no jake braking allowed" signs.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the following license requests:

- a. American Legion Post 149 Club On-Sale and Sunday Liquor License
- b. Harlan Melchert On-Sale and Off-Sale Liquor License
- c. Tammy Johnson On-Sale and Off-Sale Liquor License and Sunday Liquor License
- d. Morristown Jaycees Set Up License and Non-Intoxicating Liquor License
- e. Morristown Baseball Association Non-Intoxicating Liquor License

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to accept Community Hall rentals until a new building is built.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to rebuild the drainage ditch crossing on 3rd Street S.E. according to regulation specifications. Nordmeier and Wenker were appointed to look into plans and costs.

Discussion was held concerning a request to share the brush site with Warsaw Township. It was decided not to do so. It was also decided to issue a ticket to anyone, other than City of Morristown residents, who is caught using the brush site and to fine them \$750. It was also discussed to fine those who dump items other than brush or garden refuse at the site.

It was decided allow the clerk to destroy records that may be destroyed as per the General Records Retention Schedule adopted by the City Council on October 19, 1995.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that a workers compensation dividend of \$1,152 was received from the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust Program for the year 1999.

A copy of a letter from Kurt Fischer to JoAnn Bennett, Riverside Mobil Home Park owner, regarding a proposal by Ms Bennett to use a garage as a storm shelter was received and placed on file.

A letter was received from Bolton and Menk announcing their 50th anniversary in the consulting engineering and surveying profession.

An invitation was received to participate in the North Morristown 4th of July parade.

A letter was received from the University of Minnesota Extension Service concerning a citizen's forum to be on Channel 2 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, June 14th.

A copy of the Tax and Local Government bill summaries was received from Tom Neuville.

The annual meting of the Minnesota Taxpayers Association will be held Tuesday, June 29, 1999, at Rivercentre, St. Paul.

Steve Felix presented information regarding funding received by Rice and Steel County Law Enforcement Agencies under the COPSMORE 98 program.

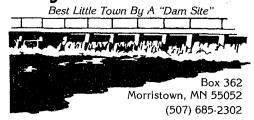
It was discussed to get a bid from McClune Tree Service to trim boulevard trees.

Wenker volunteered to contact Larry Dahle regarding the cost to lower the water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer lines on 4th Street S.W. from Franklin Street to the bridge on County Road 16 and also the cost to install water and sanitary sewer lines across Cannon River.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, June 21, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke

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### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting June 21, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, June 21, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk.

Wenker presented a plan to widen 3rd Street S.E. where the street crosses the drainage ditch. It was discussed to widen the road and install retaining walls on each side. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to contact Paul Winkelman and Kenny Stenzel to look at it and get prices to widen the road with a cement embankment. It was also discussed to get a cost estimate for a wooden retaining wall.

It was decided to have Larry Dahle lower the water lines on 4th Street S.W. from Franklin Street to the bridge on County Road 16 and approximately one block of Bloomer Street when the bridge is rebuilt. It was decided not to install water and sanitary sewer lines across the river at this time.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that Chuck Pettipeice did not have anything definite regarding grants or loans for a proposed Government Center.

It was decided not to participate in the North Morristown 4th of July parade.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$2,039.05 from the General Fund, \$350.65 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$559.42 from the Water Fund and \$442.48 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$538.34 from the General Fund.

Notice was received from the LMCIT regarding a rate increase in health benefits. It was decided to pay \$196 (1999's budget) of the employees' insurance premium and the employees would be responsible for the balance depending on the plan they select.

It was discussed to appoint a committee of two council members and two Zoning Board members review the land use plan and city zoning ordinance.

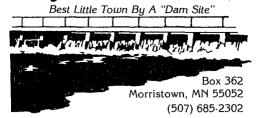
It was discussed to request inspection reports for Dahle Addition and Meschke South Haven 2nd Addition.

Allen questioned whether Lot 4, Block 2, Meschke South Haven Addition could be sold. It was explained that the city plans to keep the lot for future access to County Road 16.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, July 6, 1999.

Virginia Schmidtke

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## MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting July 6, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, July 6, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator and Chuck Krenik, Treasurer. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 7, 1999, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held June 21, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending June 30, 1999, which showed a balance of \$11,057.56 in the Checking Account and \$898,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of June 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1999-9.

#### Resolution 1999-9

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN that the Morristown Police Department enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, for the project entitled SAFE & SOBER COMMUNITIES during the period from October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000. Mayor Steve Felix is hereby authorized to execute such agreements and amendments as necessary to implement the project on behalf of the Morristown Police Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rice County Sheriff, Richard Cook, his successor or assigns, is hereby authorized to be the fiscal agent and administer the grant on behalf of the Morristown Police Department.

Adopted this 6th day of June, 1999. All council members voted yes.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of June, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the maintenance report as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to sell the old drill press and to advertise on cable channel 7 for bids with bids to be opened August 2, 1999.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to to sell the gas barrel at the maintenance shop and to advertise on cable channel 7 for bids with bids to be opened August 2, 1999.

It was decided to meet with the Zoning Board to review the the land use plan and city zoning ordinance.

Discussion was held concerning whether to amend the zoning ordinance to require private swimming pools to be enclosed by a fence. It was decided not to add such an amendment.

Discussion was held concerning whether or not allow to Bed and Breakfasts establishments in a residential district and, so, whether to require a conditional use permit. Ιt decide was to recommend to the Zoning Board that they proceed with recommendations to amend the zoning ordinance.

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

There was no Skywarn report.

Kevin Lemm reported that improvements to the wastewater treatment plant are almost done.

Discussion was held concerning complaints of rust in the water and chlorine smelling water. Kevin Lemm offered to investigate any complaints.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to sell the 1951 International water tanker truck.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$6,022.90 from the General Fund, \$401.17 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$600.21 from the Water Fund, \$464.51 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$4,698.64 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$6,211.04 from the General Fund, \$219.55 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$32.75 Water Fund and \$62 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Jeff Wenker reported that the Government Center building committee is waiting to hear from Chuck Pettipiece concerning grant information for a new government center.

No information was received concerning costs to rebuild the drainage ditch crossing on 3rd Street S.E.

Virginia Schmidtke is to contact Mitch Rasmussen, Rice County Engineer, concerning the date the County plans to begin rebuilding the bridge on County Road 16.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to remove the cable fence at Nordmeier Field.

It was decided to have Russ Morsching install water meters on the mobil homes that are not in River Side Mobil Home Park. It was decided not to install meters in two business where the plumbing makes it almost impossible to install them.

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

Discussion was held concerning an area on the Community Hall floor where the finish is peeling. It was decided to have Russ Morsching contact the company that sold him the finish to see if there is a guarantee on the product.

A letter was received from Sheila Wallace, River Side Mobil Home Court Manager, thanking the council for installing street lights on Verdev Drive.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to send a letter to the owners of the mobil homes that do not have their homes numbered stating they must have them numbered within 30 days or a citation will be issued.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send a letter to Joanne Bennett, owner of River View Mobil Home Park, notifying her that she must install lights in the east end of the Park within 30 days.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase a scanner for the computer and the necessary accessories.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously not to purchase a copy of Handbook for Minnesota Cities.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow Russ Morsching vacation July 7, 8 and 9, 1999, as requested.

Kevin Lemm volunteered to flush hydrants.

It was decided to meet with Russ Morsching Monday, July 26, 1999, to discuss insurance and other issues.

Discussion was held concerning thistles and other noxious weeds growing on city and private property. It was decided to have Dale Dulas, Weed Inspector, inspect property within the city limits and then to send notices to property owners notifying them to remove the weeds.

It was decided to have Russ Morsching to get bids to trim the trees in the boulevards.

Kevin Lemm reported that the Y2K report has been sent to the State of Minnesota.

Kevin Lemm presented information about packets of dye that can be given to water customers to detect leaks in their toilets. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to have Kevin look in the cost of the packets.

A financial assistance directory was received from the Department of Natural Resources.

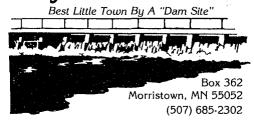
Information was received concerning bleacher safety laws.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, July 26, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

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#### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting July 25, 1999

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order Monday, July 26, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk, Mr and Mrs. Juana Avila, Carrie Avila and Larry Dahle.

A letter of resignation was received from Russell Morsching. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to accept Russell Morsching's resignation effective July 26, 1999.

Carrie Avila asked if the Council had any grant money or means of deposing of a mobil home owned by Mrs. and Mrs. Juana Avila which was destroyed by fire. They city has no grants available for removing mobil homes but recommended people to contact that may be able to help.

Discussion was held with regard to appointing someone to participate in Rice County's Comprehensive Plan Citizen Committee. It was decided to table the appointment until the next regular meeting.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that Chuck Pettipeice did not have anything definite regarding grants or loans for a proposed Government Center but would be sending information before the next regular council meeting.

Discussion was held with regard to hiring a full time maintenance person. It was discussed to prepare a schedule of duties. Dulas and Felix volunteered to draft a policy.

John Byers reported that a duplex being renovated by Paul Winkelman has four bedrooms in the basement with no windows. He stated that Paul may be in violation of the State Fire Code. John is to contact Paul and Virginia is to contact the city attorney.

Kevin Lemm reported that the chlorine injector pump at the well is not working. Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to purchase a chlorine injector pump.

Kevin Lemm reported that he will flush hydrants Wednesday, August 4, 1999, and that start up on the equipment at the wastewater treatment plant is scheduled for August 9 and 10, 1999.

Discussion was held concerning sanitary sewer fees for those who do not have city water and also for apartments and the school. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the following rate structure:

1 member per household - \$14.00 per month

2 - 3 members per household - \$17.00 per month Apartments over three units - \$5.00 per unit plus water usage WEM School - Morristown Building - \$50 plus water usage.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims totaling \$1,193.26 from the General Fund, \$271.12 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$540.82 from the Water Fund and \$926.16 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay Gridor Constr., Inc. Pay Request 9 in the amount of \$19,973.

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

Dulas presented complaints concerning lack of parking space in front of the post office during auctions. It determined that the post office received permission from the council several months ago to place no parking signs in front of the post office whenever there was an event at the Community Hall.

Wenker announced that 27,000 gallons of water was trucked to Mueller's turkey barns and should be billed to the Turkey Store.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to submit two governmental requests to the Morristown Fire Relief Association, one for the proceeds from the Dam Days raffle and one in the amount of \$1,000 for the Rice County K-9 unit.

Three complaints were received concerning the police department issuing dog citations on Sundays. Scott Allen, Animal Control Officer, requested the officers contact him prior to issuing tickets on Sundays.

Discussion was held with regard to contacting a map service company to upgrade the city maps.

Discussion was held with regard to sealcoating streets. Nordmeier stated that more crack filling will be done this year than sealcoating.

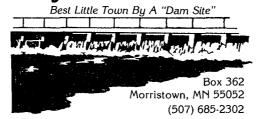
Virginia Schmidtke reported that the bridge at the intersection of 4th Street N.W. and Bloomer Street will not be done this year.

Virginia Schmidtke presented the names of three contractors who may be able to do the bridge work on 3rd Street S.E.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, August 2, 1999.

Virginia Schmidtke

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MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 2, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, August 2, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Dale Dulas, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk, Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator, Chuck Krenik, Treasurer, Ernie Nordmeier, Fire Chief, Herman Schlie, Maintenance Worker and Randy Baumgard, Police Officer.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held July 6, 1999, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held July 26, 1999, as printed. Allen, Felix, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes, Dulas voted no.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending July 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$100,760.70 in the Checking Account and \$898,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of July 1999, as printed.

Randy Baumgard reported that Rice and Steele County law enforcement agencies received a grant from the COPSMORE 98 program for mobile data equipment. The city's share of the grant includes a laptop computer for the Police Department. Cost of the equipment is \$9,785 of which the city is obligated to pay 25%. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase the laptop computer without AVL and to pay 25% of the cost as per grant agreement.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of July 1999, as printed.

#### Maintenance Report:

- 1. Herman Schlie reported that the grass is being mowed and miscellaneous jobs are being completed.
- 2. It was discussed whether or not to remove the posts at the entrance to Nordmeier Field. It was decided to leave the posts for now.

3. Kevin Lemm reported that Rural Water Association would televise the sanitary sewer lines for leaks and cracks for \$75 for four hours. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to have the lines televised. Wenker volunteered to work with Kevin Lemm to determine mains and services lines that need to be televised

It was discussed to have an open house at the wastewater plant when the improvements are complete.

As per advertised notice, bids were received for the sale of the drill press. The following five bids were received: Loren Dahle, \$42.00; Dale Dulas, \$36.91; Herman Schlie, \$35.00; Miller's Salvage, \$35.00 and Bill Felix, \$21.11. Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to accept the bid of \$42.00 and sell the drill press to Loren Dahle.

As per advertised notice, bids were received for the sale of the 1951 International tank truck. The following two bids were received: Miller's Salvage, \$115.00 and Bill Felix, \$8.89. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to reject all bids.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to advertise for sale, the 1951 International in one of the auto buyers trade publications.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to amend Section 9.20 of the Morristown Zoning Ordinance to allow bed and breakfast establishments as a conditional use with the following conditions:

- 1. The building is certified by the Morristown Historical Society for its historic or architectural significance.
- 2. The building contains a maximum of five (5) bed and breakfast guest rooms, all of which are located within the principal structure. The number of original bedrooms in the structure will determine the number of guest rooms that will be allowed. For owners with no children, the total number of guest units allowed will be one (1) less than the total number of original bedrooms, up to a maximum of five (5). For owners with children the number of bedrooms necessary to accommodate all family members will be determined before the number of permitted guest units is determined.
- 3. No guest shall be permitted to rent accommodations or remain in occupancy for a period in excess of fourteen (14) days during any consecutive ninety-day period.
- 4. One (1) off-street parking space is provided for each bed and breakfast unit, plus one additional stall.
- 5. Liquor is not sold or provided by the owner of the bed and breakfast establishment to guests, other than that specifically allowed in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 340A.
- 6. All signage complies with the provision of the Morristown Sign Ordinance.
- 7. Any and all lighting must be compatible with general residential lighting

A memo was received from Chuck Pettipiece stating there is no grant money available for the Community Center but suggested several possibilities for loan funds. Wenker will give the information to the building committee.

Discussion was held with regard to extending the base of the road and installing retaining walls on Third Street S.E. crossing the drainage ditch. Wenker was appointed to contact Winkelman Construction and Southern Minnesota Construction concerning the project.

It was decided that whoever could attend the Rice County Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting August 11, 1999, should try to do so.

Discussion was held concerning a report that the city's port-a-potty and part of the park shelter is on Emma Schroeder's property. It was decided to look into the matter.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to have Dahle Enterprises repair the storm sewer line in the 300 block of Washington Street.

A complaint was received concerning children playing on the culverts on city owned property on Third Street S.E. It was decided to mark the items the city wants to keep and have either Lonnie Dahle or Timm's Trucking remove the rest.

It was reported that a stop sign at the intersection of Division Street and Bloomer Street is missing. Wenker was appointed to contact the Rice County Highway Department to see if they would install a new one.

Motion made by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1999-10 authorizing execution of a grant agreement.

#### Resolution 1999-10

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has been given a grant by the U.S. Department of Transportation under Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Morristown has applied in good faith for HMEP monies for a Full Scale Exercise;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Morristown fully agrees to the terms of the grant, and, with the passage of this resolution, officially requests the Division of Emergency Management to enforce the contract in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk and the Mayor be and hereby are authorized to execute the agreement and thereby assume for and on behalf of the City of Morristown all of the contractual obligations contained therein.

Adopted this 2nd day of July 1999. All council members voted yes.

The Council was notified to remove the bleachers from the football field. No one had any knowledge that the bleachers belonged to the City.

A complaint was received concerning State Bank of Morristown apartment renters parking on Division Street instead of using off street parking. Nordmeier volunteered to contact the Bank regarding the complaint.

It was decided to barricade a few parking spaces south of the American Legion for classic cars that will be on display at a class reunion August 7, 1999.

Mayor Felix reported that a citizen was caught dumping debris other than garden clipping and brush at the brush site and that he made him remove the debris.

A letter was received from the Southern MN Lakes Region Association inviting a representative to the next meeting, which will be held Tuesday, August 10, 1999, at the Elysian Tourism Center.

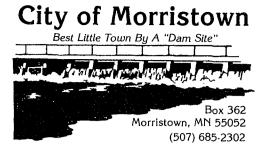
A Tax Increment Financing Seminar will be held in St. Paul, September 28, 1999.

A Redevelopment Grant Program Workshop will be held at one of three locations in August.

Motion by Dulas, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send a letter to the Rice County Board of Commissioners supporting the EMS Committee's recommendation that the County Board approve \$10,000 in the 2000 budget for the Rice County Emergency Management Director to have a trailer converted to a command vehicle for use during emergencies and routine events.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Dulas and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, August 16, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting August 16, 1999

Mayor Steve Felix called a work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council to order Monday, July 26, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. Council members present were Scott Allen Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Jeff Wenker reported that he will plan a meeting with the council members and the committee looking into plans for a new Government Center to discuss funding for the Center.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims and accounts totaling \$2,395.39 from the General Fund, \$296.18 from the Fire Department Fund, \$1,868.15 from the Water Fund, \$713.97 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$4,625.75 from the Waste Water Improvement Fund.

A copy of a letter was presented to the Council that Waste Management sent to Morristown residents offering weekly refuse collection service. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send a letter to Waste Management notify them that the city has an exclusive contract with Archambault Bros to haul refuse and that they are not to solicit city residents.

It was decided to install the "no jake braking" signs on west Highway 60, at the south entrance of Morristown on County Road 16 and on the east entrance on County Road 15.

Discussion was held concerning a request to adjust a sanitary sewer bill to reflect water used to water the lawn. It was decided not to adjust the bill.

It was discussed to look into updating the city maps.

Nordmeier reported that most of the city streets would be repaired with crack filler this year.

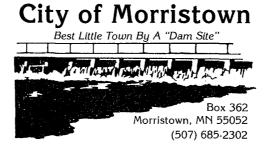
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Virginia Schmidtke reported that she received a notice that two mobile home residents were turned away from a shed the park uses as a storm shelter when the sirens were sounded during a tornado watch.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that the WEM School personal have requested that the bleachers offered to the Dam Days committee be removed from the school property. Nordmeier offered to contact members of the Dam Dams committee to decide where to store the bleachers.

A motion was made by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



## MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting September 7, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, September 7, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Mayor, Steve Felix. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Kevin Lemm, Water/Wastewater Operator; Randy Baumgard, Police Officer; Zoning Board members John Byers, Doreen Lietzau, Diane Pitan and Jim Donahoe; Loren Dahle and Gary Tupa. Council member Dale Dulas was absent.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 2, 1999, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held August 16, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending August 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$81,448.43 in the Checking Account and \$898,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Randy Baumgard reported that employees of two businesses that are licensed to sell cigarettes sold tobacco products to minors during a compliance check. Motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to send a written warning to the two business owners.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of August 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of August 1999, as printed.

Kevin Lemm reported that improvements to the wastewater treatment plant are almost completed.

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Department Fund, \$814.83 from the Water Fund \$214.84 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$27,783.90 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund

Wenker reported that the committee appointed to look into building a governmental building would meet Wednesday, September 8, 1999.

Wenker reported that he met with Paul Winkelman with regard to extending the base of the road and installing retaining walls on Third Street S.E. crossing the drainage ditch. Winkelman suggested that it would be better to extend the culvert to widen the road and then install guardrails.

Mayor Felix announced that he and Dulas had not met to review the personnel policy and prepare a maintenance job description. It was discussed not to hire anyone until the policies and job description has been revised and accepted.

Motion was made by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase a small animal trap.

It was decided that the council members would inventory the items at the maintenance shop.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to enter into an impound agreement with the Rice County Humane Society for the purpose of impounding stray animals from the City. The agreement expires December 31, 2001.

It was decided to table the discussion concerning creeping ground ivy until the next regular meeting.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to hold the Truth in Taxation hearing Tuesday, December 7, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. and to hold the continuation meeting Tuesday, December 13, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to Pass Resolution 1999-11 adopting a proposed tax levy.

#### Resolution 1999-11

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN COUNTY OF RICE, MINNESOTA, that the proposed sums of money be levied for the current year, to be collected in 2000, upon the taxable property in the City of Morristown for the following purpose.

General Fund \$62,240.00 Sanitary Sewer Fund 8,000.00 TOTAL \$72,240.00 Lengthy discussion was held with the members of the Zoning Board concerning violations in the River View Mobil Home Park. Sheds and fences are built without permits or permits are applied for and purchased after construction has began, structures are not constructed upon concrete slabs or floating foundations, a mobile home destroyed by fire remains on the lot, tie down requirements are not being met, street lights have not been installed, side yard setbacks are not as platted and there is no approved storm shelter. The following motions were approved:

- 1. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing the Zoning Board to conduct a lot by lot inventory for Ordinance violations.
- 2. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to send a letter to the State Department of Health to see what action they have taken regarding the storm shelter.
- 3. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to suspend all Zoning Permits in the mobile home park for a period of one year beginning September 7, 1999.
- 4. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to instruct Kurt Fischer, city attorney, to begin the process to take action against the owner for all violations of the city zoning ordinance within the mobile home park.

It was decided to meet with the Zoning Board on Monday, September 20, 1999, to review the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance and Land Use Policy.

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

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to discuss updating the zoning maps, the State building code and Minnesota accessibility code requirements at the meeting September 20, 1999.

There was no emergency management report.

Loren Dahle questioned whether emergency management is prepared for possible Y2k problems.

Motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the claims totaling \$2,532.36 from the General Fund, \$131.74 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$160.75 from the Water Fund and \$2,128.07 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the claims totaling \$12,394.11 from the General Fund, \$159.15 from the Morristown Fire

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The City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Rice County, Minnesota. Adopted this 7 day of September, 1999. All council members voted yes to the question.

It was decided to meet Wednesday, September 22, 1999, to review the 2000 budget.

It was decided to obtain bids from two or three accounting firms for auditing services.

Loren Dahle was present on behalf of the Morristown Historical Society and asked the council to consider adopting a preservation ordinance and to designate the Emma Schroeder property as a heritage preservation site. It was decided to visit with the Zoning Board regarding the request.

Motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to allow open burning from September 15, 1999 to October 15, 1999, by permit only. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Felix and Nordmeier voted yes; Wenker voted no.

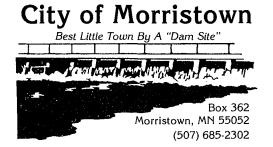
A letter was received from the City of Lonsdale inviting the council to the 1999 League of Minnesota Cities Regional meeting, which will be held Wednesday, October 27, 1999.

Motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to pay the registration fee for up to three people to attend the MN Association of Small Cities Fall seminar. The registration fee is \$60 per person.

Motion was made by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The next city council work session/special meeting will be held Monday, September 20, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. and a budget meeting will be held Wednesday, September 22, 1999, at 6:30 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting September 20, 1999

Dale Dulas, Assistant Mayor, called a work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council to order on Monday, September 20, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. Council members present were Scott Allen and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk and Zoning Board Members John Byers, Jim Donahoe, Doreen Lietzau, Diane Pitan and Lawrence Wille. Mayor Steve Felix and Council member Steve Nordmeier were absent.

Discussion was held concerning whether to have the Zoning Board and City Council review the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivions Ordinance and Land Use Plan or to hire a consultant to do so. Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to research the cost of hiring a consultant to review the Ordinances.

Members of the Zoning Board urged the City Council to adopt the State Building Code.

Length discussion was held concerning violations of the Zoning Ordinance in River View Mobil Home Park. Jim Donahoe presented results of a survey he conducted on September 13 and 14, 1999, showing violations lot by lot. Virginia Schmidtke presented a list of zoning permits purchased since 1979. She said she was notified that a mobile home was demolished today by Timm's Trucking. It was determined that no permit was issued. Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to issue a ticket to the owner of River View Mobile Home Park for demolishing a mobile home without first obtaining a zoning permit.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send certified letters to Joanne Spielman, Owner of River View Mobile Home Park, and Sheila Wallace, the manager and to send notices to residents in the Park notifying them of the violations and also notifying them that the council adopted moratorium on all building for a period of one year and to send a copy of the letter and survey to the Kurt Fischer, City Attorney.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to send a letter to Kurt Fischer seeking the following information:

- 1. To what year and date can the city enforce the zoning code on each lot?
- 2. Who can be cited the owner of the mobile home, the owner of the Park or both?

- 3. Proceedings are to begin immediately to force Mrs. Spielman to install lights and and a storm shelter. The Council and Zoning Board determined these two items were the most serious of the violations.
- 4. The Clerk is to convey the message to Kurt Fischer that they are very serious about this want to know when they can expect court action to be taken.
- 5. The Council also wants to know if they can force residents to remove the sheds, decks, fences, etc. if there is no record on file that they received a permit.

It was decided to meet Monday, October 18, 1999, to discuss the attorneys finding and recommendations.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims and accounts totaling \$1,490.51 from the General Fund, \$637.66 from the Fire Department Fund, \$820.02 from the Water Fund, \$905.50 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$177.31 from the Waste Water Improvement Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase the advanced utility billing system from Banyon Data Systems for \$1,600.00.

Wenker mentioned that he is hauling sludge from the wastewater treatment plant.

A motion was made by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Budget Meeting September 22, 1999

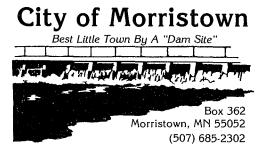
Dale Dulas, Assistant Mayor, called a budget meeting of the Morristown City Council to order on Wednesday, September 22, 1999 at 6:40 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 2000 budget.

The council reviewed past expenditures and the 1999 budget and set an estimated amount for each line item.

A motion was made by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting October 4, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, October 4, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk; Ernest Nordmeier, Fire Chief, Herman Schlie, Maintenance Worker, Larry Dahle and Millard Meyers. Mayor Steve Felix was absent.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 7, 1999, the minutes of the work session/special meeting held September 20, 1999, and the minutes of the budget meeting held September 22, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending September 30, 1999, which showed a balance of \$88,323.48 in the Checking Account and \$894,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of September 1999, as printed.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to table a request from Randy Baumgard to purchase tires for the police are until bids are received.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report as presented.

Chief Nordmeier reported that when there was no telephone or 911 service in Morristown on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, Northfield came over with their command center so 911 calls could be received.

Herman Schlie reported on the following maintenance activities:

- 1. He removed three loads of brush from the City Park.
- 2. The council decided that the bathrooms at the park should be closed and winterized soon and the hydrant at the Feed Mill should be shut off.

- 3. The furnace in the old pump house is rusted and the pilot light is out. Also the thermostat in the pump house is damaged and the thermostat in the maintenance shop is not working. It was decided to have the items repaired or replaced.
- 4. It was decided to hire Larry Dahle to remove the stumps from the west side of the baseball field and level the area so it can be seeded and mowed.
- 5. Herman was authorized to hire someone to drive the tractor so he can shoulder the roads or to purchase dirt from Timm's and have them load it.

It was decided to table a quotation from McCarthy Well Company for repairs to the deep well pump until more information and other bids are received.

Discussion was held concerning complaints of low water pressure Sunday, October 3,1999.

A copy of the reissued final modified National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the wastewater treatment facility was received and placed on file.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the Zoning Board report for the meeting held September 16, 1999, as printed.

It was decided to meet at the wastewater treatment plant on Monday, October 18, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. with Seth Peterson, project engineer, for the wastewater improvements to tour the new facility.

Virginia Schmidtke reported that a profit of \$680 was made from a dance held by the sky warn committee for the sky warn program.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to pay the claims totaling \$18,396.61 from the General Fund, \$8.47 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$3,105.46 Water Fund and \$196.20 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and also to pay the late claims totaling \$562.66 from the General Fund, \$91.06 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and \$612.13 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund. Council members Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

Jeff Wenker reported that the government center building committee is meeting with Chuck Pettipiece October 5, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss financing options.

Jeff Wenker volunteered to contact Lonnie Dahle in regard to installing an addition to the culvert over the drainage ditch on Third Street S.E.

No information was received concerning the personnel policy or maintenance job description.

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Millard Meyers was present and discussion was held concerning annexing a portion of his property into the city of Morristown.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adopt Ordinance 163 titled "An Ordinance Amending Section 9.10 of the Morristown Zoning Code to Allow the Operation of a Bed and Breakfast as a Conditional Use" and to authorize the clerk to publish it in the Faribault Daily News. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to extend the open burning date to November 15, 1999, as in past years. Council members voted as follows: Allen, Dulas and Nordmeier voted yes; Wenker voted no.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-12 titled "A Resolution Authorizing a Tax Rate Increase for the 1999 Tax Levy, Collectible in 2000". All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-13 closing the Sewer Bond Sinking Fund and transferring the balance of the Fund to the Wastewater Improvement Debt Fund. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pass Resolution 1999-14 creating two new funds, the General Refunding Bond Debt Fund and the Refuse Collection Fund. All council members voted yes to the question.

A bid of \$5,600 from Arthur Construction Inc. was received for building materials necessary to complete a 26' x 36' x9' park shelter. Three alternate bids to install a concrete floor, furnish labor and using prefinished steel were also received. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen to approve the park shelter project.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase four "No Parking, 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m., School Days" signs and install them on 1<sup>st</sup> Street S.E. from Washington Street to Main Street and to have no parking on the Street during those times and days.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to allow Ducks Unlimited to rent the Community Hall and allow one of the on-sale liquor licensees to sell liquor at the Community Hall as State law provides.

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The following correspondence and announcements were received:

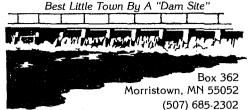
- 1. A notice was received from Rural Water Association with regard to securing financing for small systems.
- 2. A notice was received regarding a Sharing the Heartland Conference to be held October 29-30, 1999.
- 3. A letter and information was received from the League of Minnesota Cities concerning Cities Week'99.
- 4. A notice was received concerning an Environmental Financial Assistance Workshop to be held in November.
- 5. A notice was received concerning an elderly and persons with disabilities grant that is available.
- 6. A notice was received coning the  $4^{th}$  annual Minnesota development conference to be held October 21 22, 1999.

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

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#### City of Morristown



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting October 18, 1999

Dale Dulas, Assistant Mayor, called a work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council to order on Monday, October 18, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. Council members present were Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke; City Clerk; Zoning Board Members Doreen Lietzau and Diane Pitan; Kurt Fischer, City Attorney; Mike Monge, City of Faribault Director of Code Service; Jim Hermel, Larry Dahle and Tim Strobel. Mayor Steve Felix was absent.

Lengthy discussion was held concerning possible violations of the Zoning Ordinance in River View Mobil Home Park. Mr. Fischer recommended that the Council adopt an Ordinance authorizing the zoning inspector to enforce the Ordinance by allowing him to issue tickets. It was decided that Mr. Fischer should meet with John Beyers to identify the problems in the mobile home park and discuss procedures for enforcement of the Ordinance. Discussion was held concerning the statue of limitations, how far back tickets could be issued and safety issue violations including homes that are not tied down. Mr. Fischer agreed to begin proceedings for violations of the Zoning Ordinance that include not having a storm shelter or an approved evacuation plan and for not installing streetlights.

Mike Monge spoke to the Council concerning the importance of adopting the State Building Code. He addressed life safety issues, fire protection issues protection for consumers and the community. Rebuttals included hiring of dedicated inspectors and response time and the cost of permits,

Discussion was held concerning nuisance violations and enforcements of the violations.

Steve Nordmeier reported that he visited with Taylor Company and the Emma Schroeder property that was surveyed by Rapp Land Surveyors agreed with the survey Taylor Company preformed in 1983. He stated that a land swap was possibly made in 1981 but was never recorded. Taylor Co. is looking into the matter. The park shelter may extend onto the Schroeder property. Schroeder's proposed to swap the land east of the Mill for property west of the Mill. The matter was tabled until more information is received.

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Scott Allen left the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to pay the printed claims and accounts totaling \$6,918.13 from the General Fund, \$1,034.02 from the Fire Department Fund, \$1,541.99 from the Water Fund, \$1,132.26 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$1,235.35 from the Waste Water Improvement Fund.

An application was received from Jim Hermel to build a 24' x 24' addition to his office at 24628 Holland Avenue and an 8' x 8' storage area to the rear of the addition. An application was also received from Mr. Hermel to build an 86'6" x 68' warehouse at the same address that will be attached to the current warehouse. It was determined that both additions would be on the rear property line or over the line by a few feet. Mr. Hermel owns both pieces of property but they are not combined. A motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the application subject to the Zoning Boards regulations and stipulations.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Dan Timm to build a pole shed as per application on file.

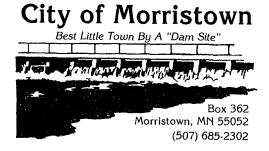
Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to grant a zoning permit to Dave Meschke to build a house on Lot 4, Block 3, Meschke South Haven 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition as per application on file.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to pay the late claims totaling \$622.95 from the Fire Department Fund.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried to donate \$2,500 to the Southern Minnesota Lakes Region Association for 2000 advertising and travel expenses. Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

A motion was made by Nordmeier, seconded by Dulas and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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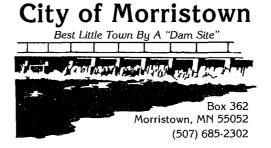


# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting November 1, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council, which was scheduled for Monday, November 1, 1999, was not held because the number of council members present did not constitute a quorum. Council members present were Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk. Absent were Mayor Steve Felix and Council members Scott Allen and Dale Dulas.

The meeting was adjourned to Monday, November 15, 1999.

Virginia Schmidtke



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting November 15, 1999

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, November 15, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas. Council members present were Scott Allen and Jeffrey Wenker. Council member Steve Nordmeier arrived at 7:25 p.m. Also present were Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk and Scott and Aaron Johnson. Mayor Steve Felix was absent.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 4, 1999, and the minutes of the work session/special meeting held October 18, 1999, as printed. A regular meeting scheduled for Monday, November 1, 1999, was not held because the number of council members present did not constitute a quorum.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending October 31, 1999, which showed a balance of \$69,055.21 in the Checking Account and \$894,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of October 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to purchase snow tires for the police car from Wholesale Tire as per bid of \$115.04.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of October 1999, as presented.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the resignation of Dean Jones from the Morristown Fire Department.

It was decided to store the International truck east of the maintenance shop for the winter months.

The Zoning Board report for the month of October was discussed and the following action was taken:

- 1. A request for a variance hearing was received from Larry Ahlman to allow an 8-foot variance for a sign that he constructed that is 17 feet from the property line. The Zoning Ordinance requires a 25-foot setback. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to grant a variance hearing to Larry Ahlman as requested and to have the hearing Monday, December 6, 1999, at 8:00 p.m.
- 2. There was no action regarding a recommendation from the Zoning Board to consider adopting the State Building Code.
- 3. It was decided to table a meeting with the Zoning Board regarding mobile home issues until after a meeting is held with the city attorney.
- 4. A requirement for Pat Chavie to hard surface a driveway to his shed will be removed if he closes the garage door to a six-foot opening.
- 5. A zoning permit was issued to EMSOCS to build a three season attached porch to an existing garage as per application on file.
- 6. A notice was received from the Builders Association of Minnesota regarding a bill that was passed during the 1999 legislative session that strengthens the building contractor licensing law.

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

There was no emergency management report.

Steve Nordmeier arrived at this point of the meeting.

Scott Johnson, President of Cannon Valley Cablevision, presented an ordinance granting a franchise to Cannon Valley Cablevision to continue the development and operation of a cable communications system, the access channel operating rules, a certificate of insurance, a list of the franchise fees remitted to the city since 1987, a schedule of rates and charges, the channel lineup and a cost summary of recommended enhancements. Each section was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 1999-15 adopting Ordinance 164.

#### Resolution 1999-15

WHEREAS, the Franchise agreement between the City of Morristown and Cannon Valley Cablevision adopted 1985 has expired, and,

WHEREAS, a Cable Committee appointed by the City Council met and prepared a new franchise ordinance to replace Ordinance 121,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, to adopt Ordinance 164, "An Ordinance Granting a Franchise to Cannon Valley Cablevision, Inc. to Construct and Maintain a Cable Television System in the City of Morristown, Minnesota; Setting Forth Conditions

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Accompanying the Grant of the Franchise; Providing for Regulation and use of the System; and Prescribing Penalties for the Violation of its Provisions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to publish a summary of the Ordinance 164 in the official paper.

Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1999. All council members voted yes to the question.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the claims and accounts totaling \$8,266.88 from the General Fund, \$652.89 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$5,412.61 Water Fund \$4,394.37 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$1,905.89 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Jeff Wenker reported that requests for proposals for architectural/construction manager services were sent to several firms to assist in developing plans and cost estimates to build a new Community Center. Proposals must be submitted by Thursday, Decembers 2, 1999 at 4:30 p.m.

No information was received concerning a cost estimate to install an addition to the culvert over the drainage ditch on Third Street S.E.

No information was received concerning the personnel policy or maintenance job description.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve a bid of \$3,798 from McCarthy Well Company to repair the deep well pump.

Discussion was held concerning a request from Bonnie Haag to review water usage at 21 Franklin Street S.W. Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried to monitor the usage for two months and if the readings are in sequence that she be responsible for the bill.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried to donate \$2,646.45 instead of \$2,500 to the Southern Minnesota Lakes Region Association for 2000 advertising and travel expenses. Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

A letter was received from Seth Peterson, Project Engineer for Bolton and Menk, Inc., stating that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency was notified that the City of Morristown initiated operation and issued substantial completion to Gridor Construction, who was the contractor for the improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Nordmeier and Wenker agreed to represent the City of Morristown at a Y2K meeting sponsored by the State Bank of Morristown on Wednesday, November 17, 1999, if Steve Felix cannot attend the meeting.

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Discussion was held concerning whether or not the part time police officer needs to be on duty so often during the winter months.

Wenker volunteered to contact Russ Morsching to see if he would remove snow after snowfalls.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to seek statements of qualifications from consulting firms to review and revise existing the City's Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance and Land Use Plan.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to seek statements of qualifications and bids for audit services from firms that have expertise in auditing governmental units.

A letter was received from Rice County Housing and Redevelopment Authority concerning a countywide study of housing conditions, which was prepared by Community Partners Research, Inc. A copy of a section addressing current and projected housing needs of Morristown was enclosed for review and comments.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Allen and carried to start the December 6, 1999, council meeting at 6:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. Council members Allen, Nordmeier and Wenker voted yes; Dulas voted no.

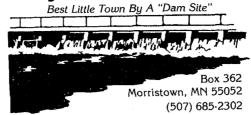
Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to have a closed meeting on Tuesday, December 7, 1999, at 8:00 p.m. to meet with the city attorney regarding pending litigation.

The proposed 2000 budget was reviewed and discussed. It was decided to lower the property tax levy for 2000 from five percent to three percent.

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

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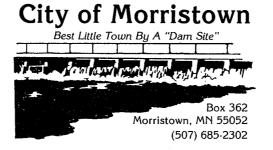
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#### MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting December 6, 1999

A closed meeting was held with Kurt Fischer, city attorney, regarding pending litigation. Those present were council members Scott Allen, Steve Nordmeier and Jeff Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, city clerk.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Regular Meeting December 6, 1999

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to appoint Steve Nordmeier as Acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor, Steve Felix and Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas.

A regular meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Monday, December 6, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Acting Mayor, Steve Nordmeier. Council members present were Scott Allen and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk.

Motion by Wenker seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 15, 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer's report for the month ending November 30, 1999, which showed a balance of \$75,625.00 in the Checking Account and \$894,973.65 in the Investment Account.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the police report for the month of November 1999, as printed.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to approve the Fire Department report for the month of November 1999, as presented.

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

There was no emergency management report.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the printed and end of the year claims and accounts totaling \$9,794.09 from the General Fund, \$1,959.39 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$1,880.26 from the Water Fund \$8,107.40 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$717.74 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

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Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the late claims and accounts totaling \$1,154.20 from the General Fund, \$193.20 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund and pay Pat O'Rourke, Mike O'Rourke, Steve Nordmeier and Jeff Wenker \$7.50 per hour for installing the Christmas lights.

Jeff Wenker stated that proposals were received from three firms for architectural/construction manager services to assist in developing plans and cost estimates to build a new Community Center. The committee will review the proposals and a recommendation will be brought to the city council.

No information was received concerning a cost estimate to install an addition to the culvert over the drainage ditch on Third Street S.E.

No information was received concerning the personnel policy or maintenance job description.

It was decided to send a notice with the January utility statements offering the city's water, wastewater and garbage customers a chance to enroll with an automatic payment plan.

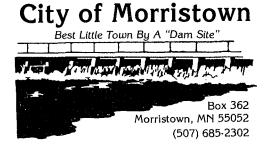
Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to submit a governmental request to the Morristown Fire Relief Association for \$50,000 to be used for the new community center.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to have a special year-end meeting/work session on Tuesday, December 21,1999, at 6:00 p.m. to close the books.

Motion by Allen seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously authorizing the City Clerk to apply to Wal-Mart for a credit card.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Allen and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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# MORRISTOWN CITY C OUNCIL MINUTES Truth in Taxation Hearing December 7, 1999

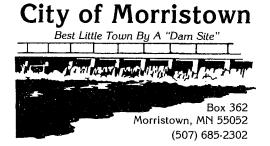
It was decided to appoint Jeff Wenker as Acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor Steve Felix and Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas.

A Truth in Taxation Hearing was called to order on Tuesday, December 7, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2<sup>nd</sup> Street S.W. by Acting Mayor, Jeff Wenker. Council members present were Scott Allen and Steve Nordmeier. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk.

The purpose of the public hearing was to discuss with taxpayers the 2000 proposed budget and the amount of property taxes the council proposes to collect to pay for the costs of services the city will provide in 2000. No one was present for the hearing.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Virginia Schmidtke



# MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES Work Session/Special Meeting December 21, 1999

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Nordmeier and carried unanimously to appoint Scott Allen as Acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor, Steve Felix and Assistant Mayor, Dale Dulas.

A work session/special meeting of the Morristown City Council was called to order on Tuesday, December 21, 1999, at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 109 2nd Street S.W. by Acting Mayor, Scott Allen. Council members present were Steve Nordmeier and Jeffrey Wenker. Also present was Virginia Schmidtke, City Clerk. Mayor Steve Felix arrived at 6:30 p.m.

Jeff Wenker reported three firms were interviewed for architectural/construction manager services to assist in developing plans and cost estimates to build a new Community Center. The committee was asked to meet with members of the American Legion before making a final decision. More information will be received at the regular council meeting scheduled Monday, January 3, 2000.

Motion by Nordmeier, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to adopt **Resolution 1999-16** approving the 1999 property tax levy.

Resolution 1999-16
A Resolution Adopting Final Tax Levy Resolution Approving 1999 tax levy,
Collectible in 2000

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 2000, upon the taxable property in the City of Morristown for the following purposes:

 General Fund
 \$62,800.00

 Wastewater Debt Fund
 8,000.00

 TOTAL LEVY
 \$70,800.00

The city clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the county auditor of Rice County, Minnesota.

Adopted by the city council on December 21, 1999. All council members voted yes.

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Motion by Allen, seconded by Wenker and carried unanimously to approve the printed claims and accounts totaling \$4,039.17 from the General Fund, \$570.46 from the Morristown Fire Department Fund, \$471.25 from the Water Fund \$1,843.19 from the Sanitary Sewer Operations Fund and \$317.55 from the Wastewater Improvement Fund.

Nordmeier announced that Timm's Trucking will clear snow from the fire hall parking lot and maintenance shop lot after a snow fall this winter.

It was decided to contact the fire department with regard to flooding and clearing the skating rink.

Wenker reported that he contacted Lonnie Dahle regarding the installation of an addition to the culvert over the drainage ditch on Third Street S.E. Lonnie suggested that Wenker contact Larry Dahle.

Motion by Wenker, seconded by Felix and carried unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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