



MORRISTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Public Hearing 7:05 p.m. (Ordinance Violation)
Monday, March 6, 2023

Council Present: Mayor Tony Lindahl, Jake Golombeski, Linda Murphy, Leon Gregor, Joe Caldwell

Others Present: Ellen Judd (City Administrator), Connie Medeiros (City Clerk), Travis Mullenmeister (Public Works), Bruce Morris (Fire Department), Jesse Thomas (County Sheriff), Ralph Barney, Jack Schwichtenburg, Steve Nordmeier, Mike O'Rourke, Nicole Grams, Sabrina Frodl, Sharon Krenik, Elden Eklund, Ross Olson, Brian Brunner, Sherrie Brunner, Larry Hagre, Mike Schmacher, Juan Crus Baez.

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Tony Lindahl called the meeting to order of the Morristown City Council on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 402 Division St., S, Morristown.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Additions/Corrections to Agenda:** Add K: Maternity Leave and L. Fire Department Applications.
Motion by Gregor, seconded by Caldwell and was carried unanimously to approve the 2 additions to new business.
4. **Comments and Suggestions from Citizens Present:** Park Bathroom plans – plans in drafting stage and quotes in process.
5. **Consent Agenda:** - These items are considered to be routine and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member or citizen so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed elsewhere on the agenda.
 - A. Police Report – February 2023
 - B. Fire Department Report – February 2023
 - C. Public Works Report – February 2023
 - D. City Council Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting 2/6/2023
 - E. Zoning Board Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting 2/16/2023
 - F. Financial Reports – 2/28/23
 - G. Check Summary – 2/1/23 through 2/28/23
 - H. Water Bill Delinquency Report

Motion by Caldwell, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

Public Hearing - Ordinance Violation - *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Caldwell and was carried unanimously to close regular meeting and open public hearing on Ordinance Violation at 304 Division St., N.*

Property owner was present to discuss excessive vehicles on property and explain that all vehicles with the exception of 3 derby cars are licensed vehicles on the property. Eight people drive and own vehicles on the property. Council is not concerned with the 8 vehicles that are licensed and operated on the daily. Council's concerns stem from vehicles that have not moved in months and that are snow covered. Property owner stated that two of the vehicles are classic restored vehicles that he does not drive during the winter months. He had a storage facility where he stored his vehicles, but it has closed for renovations, so he has the vehicles at his home.

6. Unfinished Business:

- A. 304 Division St N – *Motion by Murphy, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to send \$100 Citation to property owner at 304 Division St., N.*
- B. Revised Sheriff's Contract Wording – *Motion by Murphy, seconded by Golombeski and was carried unanimously to accept revised Sheriff's Contract.*
- C. Ordinance 2023-4 – Impoundment – *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to accept Ordinance 2023-4 Impoundment.*

7. New Business:

- A. Bucs Night Out – Approval List
 - i. Approval for Raffles/Bingo under Lions Club License - *Motion by Caldwell, seconded by Golombeski and was carried unanimously to approve the Raffles/Bingo under the Lions Club license.*
 - ii. Approval MN Original Brat Dog in Parking for food 10-3 – Taken off approval list by Bucs Night Out committee.
 - iii. Approval Food Truck Permit Waiver – *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to approve the waiver of the food truck permit.*
 - iv. Approval Hall Rental Fee Waiver as part of 501C3 – Denied by council to waive hall rental fee.
- B. Peddler’s License Approval for Fireman’s Dance – *Motion by Gregor, seconded by Golombeski and was carried unanimously to approve the peddler’s permit for the Fireman’s Dance.*
- C. Consulting Agreement for Ralph Barney – Ralph Barney explained his lobbying strategy to achieve and secure monies/grants available from the state for the City of Morristown. Ralph will be paid a monthly flat fee of \$1000, for the months of March, April and May. May 31st is the end of the legislative session wherein Ralph’s consulting agreement will end. *Motion by Murphy, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to approve the Consulting Agreement for Ralph Barney.*
- D. Resolution 2023-7 – Approving Donation from Commercial Club – *Motion by Gregor, seconded by Golombeski and was carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2023-7 Accepting Donation from the Commercial Club.*
- E. Update Personnel Policy to include new PTO accrual – *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Caldwell and was carried unanimously to approve the updated Personnel Policy with respect to adding 3 hours to city employees PTO accrual.*
- F. Re-label Council/Township Chambers – *Motion by Caldwell, seconded by Golombeski and was carried unanimously to relabel the Council Chambers sign to read “Council/Township Chambers.”*
- G. Install Card Readers at Community Center – Ellen discussed the advantages of card readers for all the doors at city hall/community center. Council instructed Ellen to get quotes and they will revisit the issue later in the year to consider adding it to the budget for 2024.
- H. City-wide Garbage Pickup – Council discussed city wide garbage pickup and decided to not participate again this year.
- I. Porta Potty’s at Parks – Council discussed the number of porta potty’s needed at the parks. It was decided that 3 would be best with one being a handicap porta potty. Ellen will get quotes and report back to council at April meeting.
- J. Spring Open Burning – Set Date (April 1- May 15, hours of 6 pm-12 noon with no permit required) – *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Gregor and was carried unanimously to set date of spring open burn to April 1-May 15, with hours being 6pm – 12pm – with no permits being required.*
- K. Maternity Leave – Council briefly discussed Ellen’s request for extended paid maturity leave of more than the six weeks offered by the city. Mark will review the city’s personnel policy and report back next meeting.
- L. Fire Department Applications – Council briefly discussed Bruce Morris’ request to begin accepting applications for new fire fighters for the city. *Motion by Murphy, seconded by Caldwell and was carried unanimously to approve the request for accepting applications for new fire fighters from present to October 1, 2023.*

8. Correspondence and Announcements

- A. Archambault’s garbage cans to be out by 7am each Friday. Archambault’s is considering imposing fines if they need to return to a property to pickup trash.

9. Council Discussion and Concerns: Council inquired on J. West’s continued absence. Ellen informed council that J. West is on workmen’s compensation and will remain in that status until his doctor’s release.

10. Adjournment: *Motion by Golombeski, seconded by Caldwell and was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting of the City of Morristown council meeting at 8:15p.m.*

11. Next Meeting: Monday, April 3, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Tony Lindahl, Mayor

Attest:

Connie Medeiros, City Clerk