

MORRISTOWN TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
August 28, 2024

FIRE STATION TRAINING ROOM

President David Benefiel called the meeting to order, present were Kristi Langkabel, Larry Tracy, Tammy Davis, and Ralph Henderson. Also, present were Morristown Town Attorney and Morristown Clerk-Treasurer.

Minutes of the August 21st meeting presented: Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve as written. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Claims: Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

**Old Business**

Hitchcock Design Group- the layout shows room for 11 parking spaces on the current green space on Main Street. Nine regular parking spaces with 2 additional parking spaces would be a handicap. The Town Council has decided to table this discussion for future meetings. This motion was made by Council Member Larry Tracy and seconded by Council Member Ralph Henderson. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

**New Business**

Council President David Benefiel presented the following for budget 2025 for Fire Department funds.

- \$25K- LIT
- \$50K-Racino
- \$50K- Rail Tipping Fee
- 1- Full Time Fire Chief
- 1- Additional full-time fire
- Keep the part-time employees as is

Council Member Ralph Hendeson made a motion to approve, and Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote 5/0

**Legal**

Nothing to update.

**Clerk Treasurer**

The Clerk Treasurer presented information for ReachAlert. A way to send mass messages to community members regarding water/wastewater notifications. IE- Boil water alerts, hydrant flushing, no trash pick-up etc.

Clerk Treasurer to compare ReachAlert with RAVE and proceed forward with the most cost-effective choice for one year. Motion from Council Member Ralph Henderson and seconded by Council Member Larry Tracy. Vote 5/0

### **Police Department**

Kristi Langkabel made a motion for Officer Trittippo and Officer Wright to purchase office equipment for their offices as needed. Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion carried. 5/0

Officer Trittippo updated that 2 of the FLOCK cameras have been installed—waiting for the approval from INDOT to install the last 2.

Officer Trittippo asked for approval to purchase parts and tools needed to fix firearms in the office. Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve, and Council Member Ralph Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

Officer Wright will gather a list of landlords in the town limits to begin working on updating our Landlord Registration Ordinance.

### **Water, Wastewater, Street**

Nothing to update.

### **Park**

Three Sons Electric to complete the update of lights at the park. Motion from Council Member Ralph Henderson and seconded by Council Member Kristi Langkabel. Vote 5/0

David Brush to get the park sprayed for bugs. Motion from Council Member Ralph Henderson and seconded by Council Member Larry Tracy. Motion carried. Vote 5/0

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Nine Star quote for a new phone system with phone tree-\$399 total fee. \$250 setup fee and \$149 monthly charge.

Council Member Larry Tracy made a motion to approve the telephone quote. Council Member Tammy Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote 5/0

Carlton's Truck Supply has asked for payment for the truck bed- they will continue to hold the equipment until needed. Council Member Ralph Henderson made a motion to pay the invoice and Council Member Larry Tracy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote 5/0

Elaine Goble Carlton will get the floor for the offices picked out. The lowest labor bid to be used to install the flooring. Motion made from Council Member Ralph Henderson and seconded by Council Member Larry Tracy. Motion carried. Vote 5/0

### **ADJOURN:**

Council Member Kristi Langkabel made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Tammy Davis seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vote 5/0

David Benefiel, President

Morgan Stratton, Clerk Treasurer

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