

Town of Morristown  
Council Meeting of September 13, 2017  
Minutes

- I. President David Benefiel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00p.m. other members present were Ralph Henderson, Vice President; William White, Larry Tracy; and Kristi Langkabel. Also present were Mark McNeely, Town Attorney and Sue Keaton, Clerk-Treasurer. Minutes of the August 23, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion by William White, Seconded by Ralph Henderson. Larry Tracy moved the Claims presented be approved, seconded by William White and the motion passed.

The Council next opened the Public Hearing on the proposed 2018 Budget. The hearing progressed with Attorney McNeely leading. After review of the proposed Budget and hearing no objections from the public or Council members, William White moved the hearing be closed, seconded by Ralph Henderson and the motion passed.

- II. Old Business: Following a brief discussion led by Kristi Langkabel the Council agreed to the same contribution as 2017 of \$26,000.00 to the Morristown-Hanover Township Fire and Emergency Medical Board, commonly referred to as the Fire Board, for the calendar year 2018. Larry Tracy moved the action, seconded by Kristi Langkabel and the motion passed.

Dede Coyle, representing the Morristown Vision Committee, talked about the Blue River Foundation wanting to offer larger grants in 2018 as that will be their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Ms. Coyle wanted to seek the Councils input to suggested projects of:

Sidewalks along the Elementary School frontage  
Street lights along Main Street  
Pocket park on Main Street

Larry Tracy said they should keep discussions open and include the Council (or a member) as part of the committee. The projects listed must have the approval of the Council to be enacted. Ms. Coyle agreed and thanked the Council.

A member is needed for the Board of Zoning Appeals, Gary Burling was suggested and on a motion by Ralph Henderson, seconded by William White, the Clerk-Treasurer was tasked with contacting him to see if he would agree. The motion passed.

- III. Clerk-Treasurer: The Bond refinancing is completed. Mark McNeely explained how hectic it was as the deadline approached. Everything went as needed and the bond is now being repaid at a lower rate.

Attorney: Mr. McNeely informed the Council that the remaining areas in the industrial Park will be surveyed and documents prepared to "TIF" those not currently included. The Council agreed he should proceed.

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Town Marshal: Marshal Henry Albrecht had no new items. Brad Trittipio suggested the fine schedule needs to be updated and some fines raised. Mark McNeely requested a list of the fines he was talking about and will prepare documents as necessary.

Streets, Utilities: Cody Cory commented the Right-of-Way to cross the nursing home property was still outstanding.

William Kirby II representing Waller's Meter, Inc. gave a presentation on Badger Meters, materials included with these minutes. Mention was made of the software maintenance costs which would be reduced by almost half from the current charges with the new meters but location of software support would not be different.

Ralph Henderson requested an Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The Session is scheduled for September 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Larry Tracy moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Ralph Henderson and the motion passed.

\_\_\_\_\_ David Benefiel, President

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\_\_\_\_\_ Sue Keaton, Clerk-Treasurer

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