

MORGANTOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

HELD OCTOBER 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Council President, Penny Anderson at 6:00 p.m. Council member, Vern Snyder led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Council members; Walter Abbott, Courtney Allen, Terry Poindexter, Vern Snyder, and Council President, Penny Anderson. Also present were; Town Marshal, Ryan Swank, DPW Kyle Rooks, Attorney, Lee Robbins and Clerk Treasurer, Sharon McIntosh. Special guest was Layne Elliott with Epley, Institute for Parks and Public Land

corrected to minutes Courtney was absent at this meeting

The Clerk Treasurer presented the 2023 Budget to the Council for adoption. Council member, Vern Snyder made a motion to adopt the 2023 budget as presented by the Clerk Treasurer. Council member, Terry Poindexter seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

DPW, Kyle Rooks explained to the Council the clock in front of the Bank is not working and has a broken cover on the face of the clock. The clock was purchased by several local donations. Kyle did not have a new clock quote but he had found someone who could repair the broken clock for \$5,455.00. This would include labor and all new working parts. The Council wanted to compare this quote to the purchase of a new clock and will revisit this at the next Council meeting.

Layne Elliott, with the Institute for Parks and Public Lands with Indiana University gave a presentation to the Council on information concerning how the town could find funding opportunities for the town park design. His company will review the data from the survey citizens were asked to complete and then prepare a Master Plan based on the data the town citizens provided. This would be a 5-year improvement plan which would look to the future and make decisions with long term goals for the park and would be based on what people would want to see in

the park. Mr. Elliott said he hopes to have a Plan presentation by the December meeting.

The discussion of the emergency water source was tabled until the next meeting.

Curry Engineering received no bids back on improving the water pressure for customers, Jim Ellis and Glenn Brown. Lori Young with Curry will contact 2 bidders personally to obtain bids. Mr. Ellis was in attendance and spoke about his inconvenience with the low pressure. Hopefully at the next meeting the Council will have bids to review.

The Clerk Treasurer reported she had meet with Laura Elliott and her daughter to go over present website and compare new ideas and added features to bring the website more up to date. President, Penny Anderson was not able to be there for the meeting with Mrs. Elliott.

Attorney, Lee Robbins said he had not be able to receive a return call from property owner, Terry Johnson concerning the property he owns next to the water tower. The town is wanting to purchase this property.

Council President, Penny Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of meetings; September 6, 12 and 26 of 2022. Council member, Terry Poindexter seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Council member, Vern Snyder made a motion to approve the Claims dated October 10, 2022 totaling \$191,749.61 This motion was seconded by Council member, Walter Abbott. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Council President, Penny Anderson made a motion to approve the payroll for September 2022. Council member, Terry Poindexter seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Town Attorney, Lee Robbins presented Ordinance 2022-10. The Council is wanting to free up \$85,000.00 ARP money to spend this year and to do this they must do an additional appropriation to request permission to be able to use the funds. Council President, Penny Anderson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-10 for an additional appropriation to use the ARP funds. This motion was seconded by Council member, Walter Abbott. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Lee also explained to the Council, the Plan Commission's Sub Division Control Ordinance to the Council.

There no Public Comments

The meeting was adjourned by the President, Penny Anderson.

OCTOBER 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes Approved and Signed on NOVEMBER 14, 2022

Sharon McIntosh DATE 11/14/22

ATTEST: CLERK TREASURER

SHARON MCINTOSH

Penny Anderson

TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT, PENNY ANDERSON

Walter Abbott

WALTER ABBOTT

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TERRY POINDEXTER
Terry Poindexter