

Pre-Meeting WORK SESSION

January 18, 2022

4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

CITY OF MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 18, 2022

5:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Chesney

2. INVOCATION

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 4, 2022

6. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

**7. CITIZEN COMMENTS ABOUT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
(Other than items scheduled for public hearing.)**

8. OLD BUSINESS

8-a. Public Hearings & Adoption of Ordinances/Resolutions

9. NEW BUSINESS

9-a. Resolutions

1. Resolution No. 2022-1

A Resolution of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Amending “Section IV – 6. Medical Examinations and General Physicals” of The City of Morristown Employee Handbook.

2. Resolution No. 2022-2

A Joint Resolution of The County Legislative Body of Hamblen County, Tennessee and The City of Morristown, Tennessee requesting The State of Tennessee to keep the swimming pool at Panther Creek State Park open.

9-b. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinances

9-c. Awarding of Bids/Contracts

1. Authorize execution of the Multimodal Access Grant from Tennessee Department of Transportation in the amount of \$949,956.05 for Phase 5 of the Turkey Creek Greenway (SR434 from Freddie Kyle Trailhead to Davis Street).

9-d. Board/Commission Appointments

1. City Council appointment to the Stormwater Violations Board of the City of Morristown to fill the unexpired term of Joe Molitor; term expiring January 1, 2024
2. City Council appointment/reappointment to the Stormwater Violations Board of the City of Morristown for a three-year term to expire January 1, 2025; term expiring Jeremiah Davis

9-e. New Issues

1. Approval of Promotion to Detective Corporal for the Morristown Police Department.
2. Approval to hire one (1) Entry-Level Officer for the Morristown Police Department.

10. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

11. COMMUNICATIONS/PETITIONS

This is the portion of the meeting where members of the audience may speak subject to the guidelines provided.

12. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBERS/COMMITTEES

13. ADJOURN

**WORK SESSION
Post-Meeting Work Session
January 18, 2022**

1. Corridor Study – SR343/South Cumberland

City Council Meeting/Holiday Schedule.

January 17, 2022	Monday		City Center Closed – Observance of Martin Luther King Day
January 18, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
January 18, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
January 21, 2022	Friday	Noon - 5 p.m.	Council Annual Planning Session, Meadowview Conf. Center, Kingsport, TN
January 22, 2022	Saturday	8 a.m.- Noon	Council Annual Planning Session, Meadowview Conf. Center, Kingsport, TN
February 1, 2022	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
February 1, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
February 1, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
February 15, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
February 15, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
March 1, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
March 1, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
March 15, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
March 15, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
April 5, 2022	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
April 5, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
April 5, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
April 15, 2022	Friday		City Center Closed – Observance of Good Friday
April 19, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
April 19, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
April 19, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
April 19, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
May 3, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
May 3, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
May 17, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
May 17, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
May 30, 2022	Monday		City Center Closed – Observance of Memorial Day
June 7, 2022	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
June 7, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
June 7, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
June 21, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
June 21, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
July 4, 2022	Monday		City Center Closed – Observance of Independence Day
July 5, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
July 5, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
July 19, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
July 19, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
August 2, 2022	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
August 2, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
August 2, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
August 16, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
August 16, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
September 5, 2022	Monday		City Center Closed – Observance of Labor Day
September 6, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
September 6, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
September 20, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
September 20, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
October 4, 2022	Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
October 4, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
October 4, 2022	Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting with Work Session
October 18, 2022	Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Work Session – Council Agenda Review
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**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
January 4, 2022**

The City Council for the City of Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee, met in regular session at the regular meeting place of the Council in the Morristown City Center at 5:00 p.m. with the Honorable Mayor Gary Chesney presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Al A'Hearn, Chris Bivens, Bob Garrett, Tommy Pedigo, Kay Senter and Ken Smith.

Councilmember A'Hearn led in the invocation and "Pledge of Allegiance".

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the December 21, 2021 minutes as circulated. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for citizens comments related to Agenda items. No one spoke.

Councilmember Smith made a motion to award the bid for Public Works uniforms to BK Graphics to provide performance tees and award all other uniform items to Perfect Fit Image Apparel, Inc. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to declare over 9,300 Garbage and Recycling Refuse Containers from the Public Works Department as surplus and sell via online auction website, GovDeals. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to approve the Impound Lot Use Agreement between the City of Morristown and Hamblen County, providing use of the Roy Widener Impound Lot to Hamblen County. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney appointed Tommy Pedigo as chair, Al A'Hearn and Ken Smith to the 2022 Finance Committee.

Councilmember Bivens made a motion to hire Austin Tomlinson and Joshua Rodrigues as Entry-Level Firefighters for the Morristown Fire Department. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to accept the Audit for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021. Mayor Chesney and Council asked that the record reflect their appreciation and recognition of Michelle Woods and the entire Finance Department for a job well done under challenging circumstances. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for members of the audience to speak subject to the guidelines provided; Linda Noe and Louis Chan spoke.

Mayor Gary Chesney adjourned the January 04, 2022 Morristown City Council meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Mayor

Attest:

City Administrator

DRAFT

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-1

BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE, AMENDING “SECTION IV – 6. MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS AND GENERAL PHYSICALS” OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Morristown, Tennessee that
“Section IV – 6. Medical Examinations and General Physicals” of the Employee Handbook
be amended as follows:

IV – 6. MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS AND GENERAL PHYSICALS

Post-employment:

C. All employees of the City may, during their employment, be required by their department head, with the approval of the human resource department, to undergo periodic examinations to determine their physical and mental fitness to continue to perform the work of their position. This periodic examination shall be at no expense to the employee. Determination of physical or mental fitness will be made by a physician designated by the City.

(1) Fire suppression personnel may be required to complete a Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT/MPAT). The MPAT will be inclusive of 3 levels of completion status:

1st Level- Participant will complete within 10 minutes and 20 seconds and will be awarded 12 hours compensatory time.

2nd Level- Participant will complete the test, necessary to maintain employment.

3rd Level- Participant cannot complete test. Participant will be referred to a physician for evaluation and to create a fitness action plan to enable them to pass the test within twelve months. The fitness action plan must be submitted to the Training Office within 30-days of failing to pass the test. Participant shall elect to use a physician of their own choosing at their own cost. If participant is unable to pass the test within twelve months, he/she will be considered unfit or unable to perform the essential functions of fire suppression personnel and be separated from City employment.

Passed this 18th day of January 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator, Anthony Cox

RESOLUTION 2022-2

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY OF HAMBLÉN COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE REQUESTING THE STATE OF TENNESSEE TO KEEP THE SWIMMING POOL AT PANTHER CREEK STATE PARK OPEN

WHEREAS, Panther Creek State Park is one of 56 state parks in Tennessee that attract millions of visitors from throughout the United States every year to enjoy hiking, camping, boating, swimming and many other outdoor activities; and,

WHEREAS, state parks play a key role in making tourism the third leading industry in Tennessee generating millions of dollars' worth of economic activity for their communities; and,

WHEREAS, the swimming pool at Panther Creek State Park has offered park visitors and the Lakeway Region a public place to swim with family and friends and to enjoy other park amenities for 36 years and is the only public pool in operation in Hamblen County ; and,

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) announced in December 2021 its plans to close the swimming pools at 11 state parks including the one at Panther Creek State Park citing declining usage, cost to repair the pools and cost of operation for a seasonal activity; and

WHEREAS, many park patrons, such as members of Friends of Panther Creek State Park, and local leaders disagree with the state's decision and want state officials to consider options to keep the pool open because of its value to park visitors and the community;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Hamblen County Commission and Morristown City Council, with the support of State Representative Rick Eldridge and State Senator Steve Southerland, that Tennessee state park officials reverse their decision to close the pool at Panther Creek State Park and choose to keep it open with possible changes to its operation to make it more accessible for public use.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution are mailed to the offices of Governor Bill Lee, TDEC Commissioner David Salyers and Deputy Commissioner for Parks and Conservation Jim Bryson.

Adopted this 18th day of January 2022.

FOR THE CITY OF MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE

Gary Chesney, Mayor, City of Morristown

ATTEST:

Anthony W. Cox, City Administrator

The City of Morristown

Morristown Police Department



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Gary Chesney
City Council

From: Chief Roger D. Overholt *RDO*

Date: January 13, 2022

Re: Promotions

I am requesting to make one promotion in the detective division for Detective Corporal at the January 18th council meeting. This position is to backfill one current vacancy in rank.

Attached are the current civil service rosters for these positions. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact my office.

Thank you.

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

P.O. BOX 1499 * MORRISTOWN, TN 37816

POLICE DEPARTMENT ROSTER - DETECTIVE CORPORAL - INVESTIGATIONS

UPDATED ON APRIL 13, 2021 TO REFLECT **TESTING**, HIRING AND/OR CORRECTIONS

	NAME	EXPIRES
1	Darrin Burchfield	2/28/23
2	Jackie Hickey	2/28/23



Mike Minnich, Vice-Chairman



Date

The City of Morristown

Morristown Police Department



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Gary Chesney
City Council
RDO
From: Chief Roger D. Overholt
Date: January 13, 2022
Re: Entry Level Patrol Officers

I am requesting to hire one entry-level officers at the January 18th council meeting to backfill a vacancy. Attached is the current civil service roster of eligible candidates.

Thank you,

RDO/aw

CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

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POLICE DEPARTMENT ENTRY LEVEL ROSTER

Revised on December 16, 2021 to Reflect Recent Testing, Hiring and/or Corrections

RANK AND NAME		EXPIRES
1	Millie Ross	10/31/2022
2	Joseph Dinwiddie	10/31/2022
3	Joshua Cope	10/31/2022
4	Jordan Bryant	6/30/2022
5	Nathan Frick	10/31/2022
6	Matthew Hopson	10/31/2022
7	Pedro Rojas	10/31/2022
8	Brandon Dean	6/30/2022

For the Civil Service Board



Lee Parker, Chairman