

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
September 5, 2023
5:00 p.m.**

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., Tuesday, September 5, 2023 with the Honorable Mayor Gary Chesney presiding and the following Councilmembers present, Al A'Hearn, Bob Garrett, Tommy Pedigo, Joseph Senter and Kay Senter. Absent, Chris Bivens.

Reverend Benny Jones, Morristown Police Department Chaplain led in the invocation. Councilmember A'Hearn led the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to adopt the September 5, 2023 agenda as presented. Councilmember J. Senter 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, Tim Heely and Louis Chan spoke.

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve the August 15, 2023 minutes as circulated. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion. After discussion Councilmember K. Senter asked for the August 15, 2023 minutes to include corrections as stated herein, and Councilmember Pedigo amended his motion to include the following corrections: 1) add "Kay" in front of Senter to the action taken related to the Havley Springs stormwater project and 2) add the following statement to the action taken on Resolution 2023-16: Councilmember Kay Senter asked for the minutes to reflect that a Request for Proposals was advertised for financing of \$10 million on August 4, 2023. Responses were received from Regions Bank, Webster Bank and Truist Bank. All three banks agreed to guarantee an interest rate from August 4, 2023 to October 15, 2023, 65 days. TMBF Bond Fund did not respond to the RFP because banks issuing public building authority loans had issue with holding an interest rate over 60 days due to current interest rate volatility.

A Public Hearing was held relating to Ordinance No. 4735. James Purkey and Wayman Skelton spoke.

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 4735 on its second and final reading. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

**Ordinance No. 4735
Entitled an Ordinance to close and vacate certain rights-of-ways within the city of Morristown as located along Combs Lane in the Eastern Quadrant of the City of Morristown.**

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-18. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

**Resolution No. 2023-18
A Resolution of the City of Morristown, Tennessee establishing a Record Retention Schedule.**

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to acknowledge the TN State Contract #349 for upfitting/equipping of police vehicles, accepting the quote from Kustom Signals, Inc. and authorizing a one-time purchase of radar equipment for the nine (9) police vehicles on order totaling \$23,103.00. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to authorize the purchase of products and services from Routeware Global per one quote totaling \$157,501.76 via HGAC Buy cooperative purchase contract and one quote totaling \$32,220.96 via Sourcewell cooperative purchase contract #041521RCS – both of which include the first year of service. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to rescind the Lease and Concession Services Agreement with Sports Facilities Food & Beverage Tennessee, LLC established February 7, 2023 and as amended June 28, 2023, approve a new Lease and Concession Services Agreement with the same entity enabling the sale of alcohol for certain events at the Morristown Landing Recreation & Events Center, and authorize the City Administrator to execute the same. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; Mayor Chesney and Councilmembers A'Hearn, Garrett, Pedigo and K. Senter voted "aye". Councilmember J. Senter voted "no".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to approve the Lakeway Area Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (LAMTPO) Federal Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Contract for the Tennessee Department of Transportation Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG). Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to approve the Tennessee Law Enforcement Hiring, Training and Recruitment Program Grant in an amount of \$200,000.00 for the Morristown Police Department. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to acknowledge the Runway Lighting System Replacement Grant for the construction phase in an amount of \$900,000.00 for the Morristown Airport. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve the proposal from GEOS for construction materials testing service for Phase 2 Thompson Creek Road in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to postpone consideration of the agreement with LDA Engineering to provide surveying, engineering, and design services for the Cherokee Drive at Walters Drive Roundabout project in an amount of \$85,000.00 to the September 19, 2023, Council meeting. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to approve the agreement with LDA Engineering to provide surveying, engineering, and design professional services for the S. Bellwood Road and Veterans Parkway Realignment project in an amount of \$82,000.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve the agreement with LDA Engineering for additional professional services for Stormwater items in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion of Change Order No. 1 with East Tennessee Turf and Landscape for the MAID Ditch Stormwater project increasing the total contract amount by \$638,565.00. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to rescind the City Council's decision of June 6, 2023 to dispose of vehicle #483 by auction and approve the transfer of the vehicle, valued at \$6,160 to the Third Judicial District Recovery Support Services, Inc. in recognition of the value it will provide to the community with said vehicle. Councilmember J. Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve Change Order No. 11 to the contract with Path Construction Northeast for the construction of Morristown Landing for various work not included in the original contract. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to authorize the purchase of twenty (20) PVS-14/A Gen 3 Elbit night vision monoculars from H.L. Dalis Inc. per the General Services Administration (GSA) Cooperative Contract # GS-07F-5829R for a one-time purchase for the Police Department totaling \$73,325.00. Councilmember J. Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to authorize the purchase of twenty-five (25) 55 gallon drums of traffic paint from Ennis-Flint per the TN State Contract # 178 for a one-time purchase totaling \$15,675.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to approve the purchase of continued surveying service from Polco per the proposal for \$24,800. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to acknowledge receipt of bids for Structural Firefighting hoods, accept the bid from North American Fire Equipment Co. as the best bid, and authorize the purchase of 160 hoods for \$68.00 each for a total of \$10,962.16 including freight charge. Councilmember J. Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to authorize the purchase of eight (8) cylinder valve assemblies and four (4) Air-paks from Municipal Emergency Services (MES) per the Sourcewell Contract #032620 for a one-time purchase for the Fire Department totaling \$40,932.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

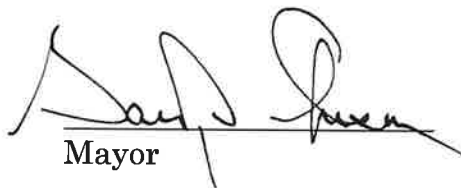
Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to authorize the purchase of one (1) Apex 4 Point Deluxe Kit from Municipal Emergency Services (MES) per the NPP Gov Cooperative Contract # PS20040 for a one-time purchase for the Fire Department totaling \$14,028.00. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember A'Hearn made a motion to re-appoint Ventrus Norfolk to the Morristown/Hamblen County Solid Waste System for a three (3) year term to expire on October 1, 2026. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to confirm the City Administrator's re-appointment of Councilmember Bob Garrett to the Morristown/Hamblen County Solid Waste Board for a three (3) year term to expire on October 1, 2026. Councilmember J. Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember K. Senter made a motion to hire Denver Robertson, Luke Daniels and Kayla Lande as Entry-Level Officers for the Morristown Police Department. Councilmember A'Hearn seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Gary Chesney adjourned the September 5, 2023, Morristown City Council meeting at 6:15 p.m.



Mayor

Attest:



City Administrator