



# City of MORRISTOWN Tennessee

January 2020

## Community Events

**January 17th-26th**

Encore Theater performs  
"A Chorus Line"

**January 20th**

City Offices Closed  
DMLK Day Holiday

**January 21st@5pm**

City Council Meeting  
at City Center

**January 24th@7pm**

Sawt al-Wadi in Concert  
at Rose Center

**January 28@6:30pm**

Stuffed Animal Pageant  
at Talley Ward

**February 8th@6pm**

Ties & Tiaras Dance  
at Talley Ward

**February 15th@9am**

Rook Tournament  
at Talley Ward

## City Recycling Program

Earlier this month, all Hamblen County residents received an informational brochure with information about the City's and County's recycling programs. The brochure details what can and cannot be recycled, how to use the curbside recycling program, and gives contact information to valuable resources to learn more about the program. Through this brochure and other promotions, the City hopes to encourage more people in our community to recycle as well as educate the public on what items can be placed in the blue recycle bins.

A few changes to recycling in recent years include that glass can no longer be recycled. Changes to the recycling industry have resulted in there being no end-user for collected glass. Also, plastic bags should not be placed in the blue recycle bins. This includes plastic shopping bags as well as garbage bags. Any recyclables should be placed loose in the bins, rather than bagged.

The City's recycling is collected on a bi-weekly schedule. You can find your collection day by visiting the City's website. If you do not have a blue recycling can, please contact Public Works at (423)585-4658.



## Recyclable Items



- Plastics #1-7
- Cardboard
- Plastic Containers #1-7
- Plastic Bottles #1-7



- Metal Cans
- Magazines
- Mixed Paper
- Newspapers
- Catalogs
- Paper & Paper Bags
- Phone Books
- Plastic or Metal Buckets



- Cartons
- Empty Aerosol Cans

## MPD Welcomes Six New Officers



The Morristown Police Department's (MPD) six newest members were sworn in on December 30, 2019 by Judge Matt Sexton surrounded by family and MPD personnel.

Joining the department are Jason Alexander, Blake Bain, Jordan Phillips, Robert Reed, Michael Cameron and Hunter Donahoo. They are on their second week of orientation and will begin Field Training next week. None of the recruits have prior law enforcement experience; however, Bain and Donahoo have prior experience working in jails in the surrounding area. Donahoo, Alexander, Phillips and Reed all are prior military. Donahoo is still active in the U.S. Navy Reserves. Cameron worked with a local company for 13 years before beginning his career with the MPD. All six new officers will begin Walters State Community College's Basic Law Enforcement Academy on January 27, 2020.

## Message from the Mayor

### CITIZEN SURVEY # 8

The annual Citizen Survey has been delivered. The responses are in and being analyzed. Results coming in June. I can say close to 100% of the changes and improvements that have been made and are still being constructed these past six years in Morristown are a direct result of the first seven surveys.

The National Citizen Survey is an in-depth document whose participants are quizzed about their opinions of life in Morristown. The pros and cons of our citizenry are given serious attention by our administrative department heads and our Council.

The City Administrator evaluates and proposes "next steps", influenced heavily by this public response. The goals, plans to achieve them, and appropriate affordable budgeting are all part of laying out each year's plan.

This January 24, your Council will meet in a day long retreat to listen to the mid-year progress report. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn how well we're doing and areas we may NOT be doing so well.

When folks ask me about the multitude of projects underway in their city, my answer is an easy one, "We're working the plan." And it's a plan that is recommended by public response and input.

Proud to be your Mayor.



*Mayor Gary Chesney*

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