

**TOWN OF MORNINGSIDE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023**

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Bennard Cann.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Wade.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Cann – Present

Vice Mayor Wade – Present

Council Member Anthony - Present

Council Member Fowler – Present

Council Member Mullins – Present

Police Dept – Lt Mitchell – Present

Town Admin – Karen Rooker - Present

Code Enforcement- Regina Foster – Absent

Public Works – Michael Johnson - Absent

MVFD – Chief McKnight - Present

INTRODUCTION/ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Update of Ordinance 16-201 Speed Monitoring System

- Mayor Cann read the updates into the record (copy attached)

Motion by Vice Mayor Wade, second by Council Member Mullins to adopt the updates. No further discussion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS

- The three members of the Ethics Committee Board were present to take the oath of office for another 3-year term.
- Mayor Cann administered the oath to R. David Chambers, Lee Nance and Deborah Jackson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Council Member Fowler, seconded by Council Member Mullins to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2023, the LED sign Zoom meeting on September 26, 2023 and the Work Session of October 10, 2023. No further discussion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS/OPEN FORUM - None

REPORT OF OFFICERS/BOARDS/COMMITTEES

- **MVFD** – Chief McKnight gave an oral report.
- **Admin** – Clerk-Treasurer Rooker provided a written & oral report.
- **Public Works** – Mayor Cann read report from Micheal Johnson.
- **Code** – Mayor Cann read the report from Regina Foster.
- **Police Dept** – No Report.
- **Council Member Fowler** – Gave an oral report.
- **Council Member Anthony** – Gave an oral report.
- **Council Member Mullins** – Gave an oral report.
- **Vice Mayor Wade** – Congratulated LT. Mitchell on his promotion.
- **Mayor Cann** – Gave an oral report.

Mayor Cann opened the floor to those who could not stay until the end of the meeting. All remarks are to be limited to a 2-minute maximum.

- David Chambers had some nice remarks regarding the Council and how they are working together.
- Fannie Cutler from PGC DPIE introduced herself. She is the inspector for our area. Her # is 240-719-9040.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RECREATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

- Council Member Fowler gave an update on the Halloween festivities being held on Oct 28, 6-9 pm at the Municipal Center.
- In order to cover their expenses, the Committee will need to add \$200.00 to their current budget.

Motion by Council Member Fowler, second by Council Member Mullins to add \$200 to the Rec Committee budget for the 2023 Halloween Festivities. No further discussion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- She also gave an update on future events in November and October.

COMMUNICATIONS CALENDAR - FYI

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS CANDIDATES

- There were 2 people interviewed by the Council to fill the Public Works position vacated last May.
- One was chosen and will start on October 23, 2023.

PAY BILLS

Motion by Vice Mayor Wade, seconded by Council Member Fowler to pay the bills for September 16, 2023 through October 17, 2023 in the amount of \$97,146.00. No further discussion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM –

- Fannie Cutler signed in but left prior to Open Forum.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D Rooker
Clerk-Treasurer