

Town of Mount Airy
Council Meeting
December 3, 2018 7:00 pm

Present: Mayor Gary E. Morris Councilmember Mike McCoy
 Councilmember Ray McAllister Councilmember Adam Tullis
 Councilmember Bobby Ayers Councilmember Chris Green
 Chief/Manager Tim Jarrell Clerk Sheri Berrong

- Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, then led the invocation and pledge.
- Next, Mayor Morris asked for public comments as County Commissioner Andrea Harper was present. He expressed his gratitude for all she has done as our County Commissioner, as she is set to retire at the end of the month. She updated the council on several things happening in the County, such as the Industrial Park, Airport terminal, senior center. She invited the mayor and council to attend the Administration building Dec. 17th. No other comments from the public.
- Next, Mayor Morris requested a motion to amend the agenda to add an executive session to discuss real estate. Councilmember McAllister made a motion to amend agenda as requested. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- Minutes from the November 5, 2018 meeting and November 19, 2018 public hearing were presented. Councilmember McAllister made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- During department reports, Public Works Director James Kimsey revisited tap fees and the need for an increase. He requested the council raise tap fees to cover the cost. After a brief discussion, Councilmember McAllister made a motion to increase tap fees to the following:

Inside city limits	¾" \$1,000	1" \$1,250
Outside city limits	¾" \$1,400	1" \$1,650

Boring fees, if required, will be determined on a case by case basis by the public works department.

Councilmember Tullis seconded said motion, passed with all in favor. These prices are to be effective immediately. Also during department reports, Chief Jarrell reported work continues upstairs in preparation for the Christmas festivities this week. Public works will get back on other tasks such a cleaning drain ditches, hydrant maintenance, clearing right-of ways. Chief Jarrell asked that citizens please not burn leaves in drain ditches on the right-of-way. Clerk Berrong presented bank balances. She reminded the council of all the festivities this week, holiday closings.

- Next, Clerk Berrong presented alcohol license renewals for the following: Ivy Mountain Distillery, Lake Russell Convenience Store, Mount Airy Express, Mt. Airy Package Store, Four Oaks Package Store and 123 Bottle Shoppe. Councilmember McAllister made a motion to approve said renewals. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- Next up for consideration was approval of the 2019 operating budget as follows:
 - General Fund \$354,000
 - Water Fund \$354,000
 - GCIC \$374,000

Councilmember McCoy made a motion to adopt budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ayers, passed with all in favor.

- Next item for discussion was possible uses for projected LMIG funds for 2019. Chief Jarrell reminded the council that TSPLOST did not pass in the County. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed we would submit Dicks Hill Parkway paving as our project and request that we able to escrow funds for up to three years.
- Councilmember Tullis made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss real estate. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Green, passed with all in favor.
- After a while, Councilmember Tullis made a motion to return to regular session. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Green, passed with all in favor.

With no other business to discuss, Councilmember Ayers made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Green, passed with all in favor.

Mayor Gary E. Morris

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