I. Call to Order in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment – Anyone wishing to speak during this time must sign in with the Clerk before the meeting begins, and upon being called will have 3 minutes to address the Council.

III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

IV. Invocation Given by the Rev. Paul McClure, Oak Hill United Methodist Church

V. Introduction of Council

VI. Service Pin

   • John Steel, Electric Services, Electric Engineer, 20 years

VII. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

   a. Resolution: Public Power Week
      Received by: Brooks Kirby, Electric Services Director

   b. Proclamation: Fire Prevention Month
      Received by: Captain Israel Gibson, MDPS
c. Government Finance Officers Association  
Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

d. Upcoming events:
  • Reception Honoring Mayor Pro Tem Forrest Fleming  
    Monday, November 4, 4:00-5:30 in the Lobby of Morganton City Hall

  • CoMMA  
    *The Color Purple* - Film Screening, Thursday, October 10, 7:30 p.m.  
    *The Mystical Arts of Tibet*, October 15-18, various events  
    *Sacred Music Sacred Dance for World Healing*, Saturday,  
      October 19, 7:30 p.m.  
    *National Dance Company of Siberia*, Thursday, October 24, 7:30  
      p.m.  
    *The Kingdom Choir*, Tuesday, October 29, 7:30 p.m.

  • Downtown  
    Flavors of the Foothills event, Saturday, October 12  
    West Union Street will be closed from Noon to 9:00 p.m.  
    Ghost Tours begin on October 18 and run Friday & Saturday  
    evenings through October 26  
    October Oyster Outing, Saturday, October 19  
    Halloween Spooktacular, Thursday, October 31, 3:00-6:00 p.m.  
    Farmers’ Markets continue on Wednesdays and Saturdays

  • Recreation  
    Spooky Meadows, October 25 & 26, 7:00-10:00 p.m.  
    Burke County Sports Hall of Fame, November 7, Community House

VIII. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update

IX. Consent Agenda – All items below are considered to be routine and will be  
enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a  
Council member, staff member or citizen so requests. In the event a request is made,  
the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered under Item X.

A. Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting held on September 9, 2019.

   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.
B. Consideration of Appointment of Tax Collector and Approving a Resolution Adopting an Order Directing the Tax Collector to Collect Taxes

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Reappoint Jennie McNeilly as Tax Collector for a period of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020.

Approve a Resolution Adopting an Order Directing the Tax Collector to Collect Taxes.

C. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / CoMMA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $1,000 to appropriate the receipt of a sponsorship from Blue Ridge HealthCare for assistance with programming fees for “The Mystical Arts of Tibet” show.

D. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / CoMMA

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $1,000 to appropriate the receipt of a sponsorship from St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church for assistance with programming fees for “The Mystical Arts of Tibet” show.

E. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / CoMMA – Human Resources

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $5,000 to move funds from CoMMA lapsed salaries to the Human Resources budget to cover recruitment expenses for the new CoMMA director.

F. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Water

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment in the amount of $12,000 to appropriate funds received from a customer for their share of a water-line improvement.

G. Consideration of Amendment to the Schedule of Fees and Charges

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the amendment to the Schedule of Fees and Charges in the electric rate schedule for the Industrial Coincident Peak rate class for fiscal year 2019/2020.

X. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XI. New Business

A. Consideration of Amending the Policy Concerning Required Identification to Begin Utility Service with the City of Morganton
B. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing and Consideration for an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to Clarify Section 3.4.2 (B)(3) Concerning Accessory Structures

2. Public Hearing and Consideration for an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Table of Permitted Uses 3.1, Section 3.4.6. and Section A.4 Regarding Event Venues

3. Public Hearing and Consideration for an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Within Permitted Uses Table Section 3.3.3 Regarding Restaurant Drive-Thru

C. Other Business

1. Consideration of Grant Award of Entitlement Funds to Non-Profits

2. Consideration of Approval of a Contract for the Purchase of a Trailer Mounted Sewer Vacuum System

3. Consideration of Award of Contract for a Downtown Parking Study

4. Consideration of Authorization for City Staff to Proceed with Development of Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to Allow the Cutting of Standing Timber

XII. Other Items from City Manager and City Council Not on Agenda

XIII. Reports

XIV. Adjournment