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

II. Public Comment – 6:00 - 6:15 p.m.

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. Business of the Council begins at 6:15 p.m.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

V. Invocation

VI. Introduction of Council

VII. Retiree Resolutions

- William Trent DeVinney, Public Safety Department, Captain, CID Evidence
- Lamina L. Duckworth, Finance Department, Customer Service Manager
- Jimmy R. York, Electric Department, Line Technician I

VIII. Service Pin

- Mark Huffman, Development & Design Department, Surveyor, 20 years
IX. Public Advocacy Issues and Strategies

a. Etta Baker Week Update
   Presented by: Jim Smith

b. Upcoming events:
   • CoMMA:
     * Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company, Saturday, March 10, 7:30 p.m.
     * Benjamin F. Long, IV Lecture, Monday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.
     * STOMP, Friday, March 23, 7:30 p.m.

   • ACC Chili Cook-off, Thursday, March 8, 11 – 1:30 p.m., Morganton Community House

   • Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 24, 10:00 a.m., Catawba River Soccer Complex

X. North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1 Update

XI. 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 XII.

A. Approval of Minutes – For a Regular Meeting and a Special Meeting, both held on February 5, 2018.
   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve minutes as submitted.

B. Consideration of a Budget Amendment / Public Safety
   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve a budget amendment to appropriate funds received from insurance for the repair of three Public Safety vehicles.

C. Consideration of Participation in the 2018-2019 Urban Archery Season
   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve an Urban Archery Season for 2018-2019 in accordance with the regulations established by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and to authorize the City to submit a Letter of Intent to participate in the season.

D. Consideration of Approval of the 2018 Downtown Calendar of Events
   RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the 2018 Downtown Calendar of Events as submitted.
E. Consideration of an Ordinance Scheduling Temporary Closures of Certain State Highways for City-Sponsored Special Events

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve an Ordinance scheduling temporary closures of certain State highways for City-sponsored special events for 2018.


RECOMMENDED ACTION: Reauthorize and reapprove the Standard Specifications.

XII. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

XIII. New Business

1. Consideration of Entering into a Contract with the Western Piedmont Council of Governments to Administer a Building Reuse Grant for A Caring Alternative and Associated Budget Amendments

2. Consideration of Adoption of the Recreation Masterplan

3. Consideration of Adoption of the Downtown Masterplan

4. Consideration of an Agreement Between NCDOT and the City of Morganton Concerning the Downtown Greenway Connector Project

5. Consideration of an Ordinance to Effectuate Article E, Chapter 2 of Part 9 of the Code of Ordinances, as to Dilapidated Property at 314 Fletcher Street

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

XV. Reports

XVI. Adjournment