



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING -REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 6:00 PM**

**Call to Order-** Mayor Gossett called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Pastor Jeremy Franks of Fellowship Baptist Church led all in the invocation. Council members led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members present:** Mayor Dwayne Gossett, Mayor Pro-tem Donna Hartman, Council members Dennis Green, Ronny Snow, Bruce Leonhardt, and Robbie Johnson.

**City Staff:** City Manager Dalton Rice, City Attorney Neale Potts, City Secretary Ophelia Rodriguez, Police Chief Charles Cline, Fire Chief Taran Williams, Water Director Jesse Measles

**Announcements and Citizens Comments-** Citizen Jimanne Durkee stated last month she had addressed the deplorable streets. This month she only had a few words. "Sherwood, Driftwood, from Sherwood down to Robin, Bluff, South Cliffwood Circle, Archer, Robin Circle, Bowman last surfaced in the mid-nineties".

**Item 1 Discuss and take appropriate action-** Minutes for April 2021 Regular Session  
Mayor Gossett entertained a motion for the minutes of April 13, 2021. Mayor Pro-tem Donna Hartman made the motion to accept minutes as written. Councilman Ronny Snow made the second motion. All present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

**Item 2 Discuss and take appropriate action-** Extension of Disaster Declaration  
Mayor Gossett entertained a motion. Council member Ronny Snow made the motion to extend declaration to June 8<sup>th</sup>. Council member Bruce Leonhardt made the second motion. All present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

**Item 3 Discuss and take appropriate action-** Select Official Newspaper for MPR  
Mayor Gossett entertained a motion for selection of official newspaper. Council member Ronny Snow made the motion to select Belton Journal as Morgan's Point Resort's official newspaper. Council member Ronny Snow recognized the Journal for their accurate publishing. Mayor Pro-tem Donna Hartman made the second motion. All presented voted "Aye". Motion carried.

**Item 4 Discuss and take appropriate action-** Accessory Building Ordinance- Revisions  
City Manager Rice stated that changes and updates were made to make it more user friendly and clarify number of accessory buildings and sizes. He explained that the percentage has increased a bit but is capped. The total floor space of all permitted accessory buildings may not exceed 5% of the total square footage of the building site, or 1500 square feet, whichever is less. The maximum accessory building per building site is 2 instead of 4. The fees will remain the same. He added that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved and made recommendation for City Council to approve. Council member Leonhardt asked if the current buildings would be considered grandfathered. City Manager Rice responded, yes.

Mayor Gossett entertained a motion. Mayor Pro-tem Donna Hartman made the motion to approve the revisions of the Accessory Building Ordinance. Council member Ronny Snow made the second motion. All present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

**Item 5 City Manager's Reports**

Weather has delayed the work on the roads.

Working on budgets with all department heads.

Things on the horizon: Starting on June 1<sup>st</sup>, Having "Coffee with the City Manager". An informal gathering with citizens once a month.

Potentially bring back the newsletter, to include "City Manager's Corner".

City Manager Rice presented a *street sign sized* sign with Mayor Dwayne Gossett inscribed as a token of appreciation for his service to the city.

City Manager Rice introduced Steve Mondello who is currently working with the city through a Veterans Advisory group, that give soldiers opportunities to pull in a variety of skills to include local government. Mr. Mondello will retire soon from the Military after 22 years of service. He was selected to work with the city. He will be with the City through July.

Council member Ronny Snow commented he would not be here today if it were not for Dwayne Gossett. Council member Snow added having been new on the Council, Mr. Gossett gave him encouragement and advice while serving on the board and thanked him for his friendship and service.

**Item 6 Mayor and City Council Comments**

- \*Mayor Gossett congratulated Dennis Green and congratulated and welcomed Shawn Knuckles to the Council.
- \*Mayor Pro-tem Donna Hartman commented that there had been so many compliments on the election Judge and clerks this year. The compliments were how friendly and helpful the Judge and Clerks had given to the citizens. She recognized Joe Stanfield, Les Minor, Pam Robinson, Debbie Bates, and City Secretary.
- \*Mayor Pro-tem Hartman recognized Water Department Landon Grissett for passing the exam for the Class C license in Wastewater.
- \*Mayor Pro-tem Hartman recognized Katrice Jackson in her perfect Water/Wastewater report to the TCEQ, which passed inspection.
- \*Mayor Pro-tem Hartman read a kind letter that the Police Department had received from a family, recognizing their service, but for the times they had assisted with their mother when called on for emergency service. The mother of this family has since passed away.

**Item 7 Canvass of the May 1, 2021, Mayor and City Council Elections-** Mr. Joe Stanfield, MPR Election Judge

Mr. Joe Stanfield, Morgan's Point Resort's 2021 Appointed Election Judge read the Official Tabulations for the Mayor and City Council Elections. Mr. Stanfield thanked the City and Bell County for their support, but he also thanked City Secretary Ophelia Rodriguez and Election Clerks Pam Robinson, Debbie Bates, Leslie Minor for a great job, and City Staff Camille Bowser and Joyce Jones for their assistance when needed. Mayor Dwayne Gossett entertained a motion. Council member Ronny Snow made the motion to accept the Canvass of the MPR General Election Results. Council member Robbie Johnson made the second motion. All present voted "Aye". Motion carried.

**Item 8 Oaths of Offices**


MPR Municipal Court Judge Ted Duffield gave the oath of office to newly elected as Mayor, Dennis Green. Mayor Dennis Green then gave the oath of offices to incumbents, Ronny Snow, Donna Hartman, Robbie Johnson, Bruce Leonhardt, and new Council member Shawn Knuckles. Mayor Green congratulated incumbents and welcomed newly elected council member Shawn Knuckles.

Mayor Dennis Green, said he was looking forward to the next couple of years, and thanked everyone for attending. He encouraged Citizens to get involved, by volunteering in City Committees, Boards, etc. Council members Donna Hartman, Ronny Snow, Shawn Knuckles, and Robbie Johnson thanked the Citizens for their votes and their attendance. Council member Bruce Leonhardt thanked the Citizens, but commented to the Citizens, that this was not City Councils City, it was everyone's City and welcomed Citizens for ideas, or even if they wanted to let Council know what is going on, to please not to hesitate to contact anyone of the Council members.

**Adjournment:** Mayor Dennis Green entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Council member Donna Hartman to adjourn meeting. A second motion was made by Council member Ronny Snow. **Meeting adjourned at 6:28 PM.**

ATTEST:

  
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Ophelia Rodriguez, City Secretary  
City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas

  
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Dennis Green, Mayor  
City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas