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**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA  
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar  
Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges  
Councilwoman Renee S. Knight  
Councilman Larry Ferguson  
Councilwoman Dorothy Dean**

**Regular Meeting**

**April 23, 2019**

**Minutes**

**7:50pm**

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**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called the Regular Council Meeting of the Morrow City Council to order at 7:50pm on April 23, 2019. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers of the Morrow Municipal Complex located at: 1500 Morrow Road, Morrow, GA, 30260.

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent reflection.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** asked **City Clerk Yasmin Julio** to call the roll.

**City Clerk Yasmin Julio** called the roll and those present were **Mayor Jeffrey DeTar, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges, Councilman Larry Ferguson, Councilwoman Renee S. Knight, and Councilwoman Dorothy Dean.** She stated there was a quorum present.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

1. Approval of April 9, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of April 9, 2019 Work Session Minutes

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Renee Knight** made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges.** The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

**MEETING AGENDA:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve the **April 23, 2019 Meeting Agenda.**



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**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilwoman Renee Knight made the motion to approve the meeting agenda, seconded Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

**PRESENTATION:**

1. VFW Awards

-Paramedic of the Year- Donald Reynolds  
-Firefighter of the Year-Hunter MarFarlane  
*(Presented by Commander Mike Brown & Quartermaster Leo Ott, VFW)*

2. Financial Summary

*(Presented by Sylvia Redic, City Manager)*

City Manager Sylvia Redic read off current account balances including the total City Cash Balance is \$12,203,621.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

No public comments were made

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Approval to authorize Police Chief Jimmy Callaway to execute any and all necessary documents pertaining to the Memorandum of Understanding for the service of subpoena and notification system for the law enforcement court appearances at preliminary hearings.

*Summary: The purpose of this MOU is to improve the service of the subpoena and notification system for law enforcement court appearances at preliminary hearings. A further purpose of this MOU is to decrease failures of law enforcement to appear at court hearings due to lack of notification. Another purpose of this MOU is to allow law enforcement to access court notifications from electronic sources, as well as other purposes.*

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Larry Ferguson made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

2. Approval to authorize staff recommendation of selected contractor for construction of security wall at fire department, to authorize Mayor Jeffrey DeTar to execute any and all documents relating to the construction and to authorize SPLOST expenditure of \$66,625 for the project.





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*Summary: Due to safety concerns, staff has recommended approval to fund the construction of a security wall and gate that will encompass the employee parking area at Fire Station 3 to deter further crime.*

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve this item. **Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** advised the staff recommended contractor is Design Installations.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made the motion to approve this item, seconded by **Councilwoman Dorothy Dean**. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

3. Approval to authorize Mayor Jeffrey DeTar to execute agreement with Lynda Browning for the reorganization of the Morrow Conference and Event center.

*Summary: This agreement will enable Lynda Browning to lead the reorganization, maintenance and improvements of Morrow Event and Conference center.*

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve this item.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Renee Knight** made the motion to approve this item, seconded by **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges**. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

4. Approval to authorize Mayor Jeffrey DeTar to execute any and all agreements related to correcting the emergency needs of the Morrow Conference and Event center.

*Summary: The Morrow Center requires emergency corrective steps; grease traps, frayed carpets, overcrowded storage areas and other conditions that may create safety concerns for the public.*

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve this item.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** made the motion to approve this item, seconded by **Councilman Larry Ferguson**. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

5. Approval to authorize Mayor Jeffrey DeTar to execute any and all agreements related to Freedomfest 2019 and approval to authorize Mayor and Council contingency fund expenditure of Freedomfest related expenses.

*Summary: Staff has begun planning Freedomfest 2019, these expenses were not allocated in the FY19 budget, due to the absence of a DMO, the city will pay for these expenses and anticipate being reimbursed once a DMO is put in place.*



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Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

**7. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

1. First Reading Ordinance 2019-02 Animal Control Ordinance

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA, AS IT PERTAINS TO TITLE 11, CHAPTER 3. – ANIMAL CONTROL, ARTICLE A – IN GENERAL; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar advised that this was the first reading and no action would be taken as of this time.

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

**Public Comments:**

Bonnie Crawford

**Staff Comments:**

City Manager Sylvia Redic

**Council members Comments:**

Councilman Larry Ferguson

Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges

Councilwoman Dorothy Dean

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to adjourn the **April 23, 2019 Regular Meeting.**

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Renee Knight. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

The Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Approved this 14th day of May, 2019.

Attest

**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA**



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Yasmin Julio, City Clerk

Jeffrey A. DeTar, Mayor

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