Call to Order. Mayor Pro Tem Christopher Wolfe called the regular Town Board Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call. Mayor Sean Forey, Mayor Pro Tem Christopher Wolfe, Trustees Katie Gill, Debora Jerome, Matt Schweich, and Paul Sutton were present. Trustee Venessa Angell was absent. A quorum was established. It is to be noted Mayor Sean Forey was present via conference call.

Staff Present. Kara Winters (Town Manager) and George Mumma (Police Chief).

Amendments to the Agenda. Item, Request for Water Service- Turkey Creek Investors, LLC was removed from the Agenda due to the request being withdrawn. The Executive Session was removed from the Agenda as well.

Regarding the request for water service, Winters elaborated that due to the Town’s current South Area Plan and the community input received during that process; Winters relayed to the developers that it would be best if the developers held neighborhood outreach meetings to get feedback from the surrounding neighbors if they wanted to proceed any further. The developers agreed and withdrew their request for the time being.

Winters added that if neighborhood meetings are to be scheduled, residents would be advised.

Public to Address the Board.

Denise Perkovich, 421 Highway 8. Perkovich stated in the 32 years she has lived in the Town, she has seen how the Town has changed from encroaching development. Perkovich noted due to these developments, traffic has become intolerable and can be considered a hazard to the point residents are unable to navigate their own roads. Perkovich added she wants to see the Town fight to remain a small town and does not want the Town to annex development and provide water as a source of revenue. Perkovich concluded, she does not want the Town to sell out as it is the quality of life that is at stake.

Presentations and Hearings. None.

General Business.

Acceptance of CDOT DUI Grant for 2020. Mumma stated MPD applied for a grant through CDOT for DUI enforcement and that a MPD officer has been recognized as a leading DUI enforcement officer in the South Denver Metro area. Mumma added the department was awarded $5,000 for DUI patrol which would aid in keeping an officer in Town while placing another officer on the road. Mumma explained the DUI enforcement officer would be a supplemental officer and routine patrol cars would be kept on the road. Gill made a motion to approve the CDOT grant for the scheduled event time frames outlined in the grant application with scheduled duty time not to exceed the $4,999 grant reimbursement limit. Schweich seconded the motion. All present voted in favor of the motion.
Jefferson County Public Health Proclamation in Support of Radon Action Month. Winters stated Jefferson County requested for the Board to adopt the proclamation for 2020 as they did for 2019. Jerome believes this Proclamation can be seen as a perpetuation of spreading misinformation and is not in favor. Schweich made a motion to approve Jefferson County Public Health National Radon Action Month Proclamation. Forey seconded the motion. Wolfe, Gill, Schweich and Sutton voted in favor of the motion. Jerome voted opposed. The motion passed 5 to 1.

Planning Commission Appointment. Winters stated there is currently one vacancy on the Planning Commission. Due to this, the Town received two letters of interest to join the Planning Commission from residents, Petra Bute and Stacy Feehery. Winters added Feehery’s letter was received first and was placed in the packet for recommendation. Winters added additional Planning Commission vacancies are foreseen. The Board requested for both letters to be included in the packet for review. Winters stated the item will be brought back to the next meeting.

Departmental Reports.

Court. The Board noted the number of issued citations has increased.

Accounting. Winters stated the sales tax receipts in December include vendors from sales outside of the Town of Morrison and has informed State of this issue.

Town Manager. Winters stated the pre-audit was conducted the week of January 13th-17th and the formal audit will be conducted in March.

Town Attorney. No questions. No comments.

Building Department. No questions. No comments.

Consent Agenda. Sutton made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for December 17, 2019. Schweich seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

Board Comments. Gill recommended that residents to review the Town’s Comprehensive Plan regarding the South Planning Area for its potential planning prospective. Gill relayed the plan does not support the development that is currently being proposed in the Turkey Creek Investors request.

In support of Gill’s recommendation, Schweich iterated the discouragement of high density development in the South Planning Area is a goal stated in the Comprehensive Plan and in time of a decision for service in that area, would refer to the Comprehensive Plan for guidance.

Sutton in reference to “Keep Morrison, Morrison” stated he is concerned about the amount of water the Town has committed to providing Red Rocks Ranch and would like to see how those commitments pan out before committing more water to development outside the Town’s jurisdiction. Sutton is also concerned with increase of traffic this development may pose to the Town if it is built.

Sutton questioned the Strain Gulch Reservoir and the retention of the water rights at that site. Winters explained the requirement of the study to ensure junior water rights are protected
since they are not absolute. Winters suggested scheduling a work session with the Town’s water attorney to discuss the Town’s position and then discussing it at a future Board retreat.

The Planning Commission’s workshop on ADU’s was briefly recapped by Schweich. Winters stated the topic will be before the Board after the Planning Commission has reviewed it.

**Adjournment.** The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

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Sean Forey, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

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