THE CITY OF MORIARTY ESTD 1901 NEW MEXICO

CITY OF MORIARTY
Regular Council Meeting
Wed. July 22, 2026 -6:30 P.M.
202 Broadway St. S-Moriarty, NM 87035

CALL TO ORDER		The Moriarty City Council met at Regular Meeting, with the following members present: Mayor Steve Anaya, Robin Spalding, Kenny Snow, Jeremey Trujillo, and Kim Garcia, are all present
AGENDA		Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the agenda, second by councilor Trujillo, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Matters from the governing body		Mayor update that the FY 2025 audit was approved and released. Councilor Spalding thanked the library for their services to the public. She also thanked Chris for his hard work with the civic center. She also addressed the clerk's office and all that they do. Councilor Snow added to her comment and addressed that all departments within the city are important and thanked everyone. Councilor Snow also addressed that the employee handbook needs a review as there was an issue regarding holiday pay and would like to enforce the current drug and alcohol policy and would like to see this enforced especially for those that have city vehicles he would like to see this on the next agenda for further review.
Public Comments		Jerri Pohl addressed the Governing body regarding the water issues, 40 year water study and the water being taken out of city limit will require state approval. Ernie Ortiz addressed the addressed Mayor Anaya about approaching Mr. Jim Fischer about purchasing water rights about 1 mile from the Project Mars and Williams Ranch Holding Estates, he is asking the mayor if he was acting on behalf of the City of Moriarty, EMWT or investors of the Project Mars, or for his own personal gain? He questioned if this was a conflict of interest for the mayor. Mayor asked Mr. Ortiz to re-read the beginning of the letter: Mr. Ortiz re-read: that the mayor contacted Mr. Fischer about water rights at the Williams Ranch Holding Estates which is one mile from the Project Mars and was he acting on behalf of the City of Moriarty, EMWT or investors of the Project Mars, or for his personal gain.
Consent Agenda		Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the consent agenda with removing item 1 minutes from July 16, 2026, second by councilor Snow, all present voted yes, motion carried.
GZA Proposal		There was a discussion on proper procurement for this item. The clerk was asked if procurement on this she advised that this is somewhat complex because they bill the city through the city's attorney, so she is not sure how this works and this has been how they have been doing it prior to her tenure. She advised that she would do more research and update them. This item was tabled
Jess Lopez		Jess Lopez with the local VFW asked if they could get the civic center on Jan 23, 2027, at no cost for their annual meeting, the Clerk explained that due to the NM Anti Donation Clause the city would have to charge for the use but explained that there is a reduced rate for non-profits. The rate for the event would be $ 278 for the rental fee and $ 160 deposit that will be refunded back to them. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the reduced rental fees for the VFW, second by councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried.
City Building Cleaning Contract		a. Emily explained that council had approved this at another meeting and explained that when she received the contract the quote was price was a weekly price from AB cleaning and asked them to redo the quote for monthly pricing and is asking for approval for the correct monthly amounts. Councilor Snow approved the contract for AB cleaning for the monthly amount of $ 2719.90, second by Councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Budget Adjustment Resolution 26-27-03 and 4th quarter quarterly report		a. Karen presents the council with the FY 2025-2026 final budget adjustments. Councilor Snow made motion to approve budget adjustment resolution 26-27-03, second by Councilor Spalding a roll was taken: Trujillo yes, Garcia yes, Snow yes, and Spalding yes, motion carried. b. Final quarter quarterly report was tabled
Police Dept. Chief Urbina		a. Chief Urbina requested to allow to advertise for 2 office positions. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve advertising for the 2 officer positions, second by Councilor Trujillo, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Animal Control		Chelsea gave an update on the MOU with Torrance County. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the MOU with Torrance County for animal control services, second by Councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Fire Dept- Chief Hart		a. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the repairs to station 2 in the amount of $ 10,000, second by Councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried b. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the contract with Panhandle Breathing Air Systems in the amount of $ 5940.00, second by Councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried. c. Chief Hart is asking for a wage increase for Grayson Hardy, after a discussion about the incentive pay for this Councilor Snow made a motion to approve the wage increase, second by councilor Trujillo, all present voted yes, motion carried. There was some discussion about the incentives Councilor Spalding had a concern about the incentive process moving forward, Councilor Snow

		informed the public and council on how this will benefit the fire department and the public this certification will allow for better care and increased billing. Mr. Hardy will be able to perform medical care at a higher level which will benefit the public and his department. Councilor Snow withdrew his earlier motion and Councilor Trujillo withdrew his second and Councilor Snow made a new motion to approve the increase and for it to take effect immediately, second by councilor Trujillo, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Lodger's Tax		Roddy Gallegos submitted this request to lodger's tax committee, and they recommended the following funding Rt 66 Celebration $ 10,000, August event $ 6100.00, Winter wonderland event $ 9000.00 and New Years Event $ 2500.00 total of $ 27,600.00 to be funded by Lodgers Tax. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the recommendation and to fund the events in the amount of $ 27,600.00, second by councilor Snow, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Lodger's Tax - Theresa Manning		Ms. Manning went to the Lodgers meeting but her event wasn't on their agenda, she did give her presentation anyway and was told to attend the council meeting for approval. She is requesting $ 5000.00 from the lodger tax for the Veteran Bike run. Councilor Garcia made a motion to approve the $ 5000.00 for the Veterans bike run from the lodgers Tax, second by Councilor Spalding, all present voted yes, motion carried.
Hours of Operation- Robin Spalding		Councilor Spalding would like to see all city offices run on the same schedule. She explained it doesn't matter if it is Mon-Friday 8am to 5pm or Mon-Thurs 7am -5pm she explained that it should be the same for all departments except for Firefighters, police officers, library and civic center. There was discussion that there are other departments - Police and fire and courts that run on a 4-day schedule. Councilor Snow added that the city could see savings on a four-day work week but felt that this should be the mayor's call. Judge Garcia did add that his court will continue to run the 4day work week and that this decision should be left to each department director and his court is his decision. The Clerk added that her office would like to also go to a 4day work week. There was no action taken at this time.
City Baseball fields, Rodeo arena, City Park		There was a discussion on these items and their future use. The tennis courts were also discussed as the Moriarty schools would like to see some improvements so they can be used in the future for school events.
Adjourn		Councilor Garcia made a motion to adjourn.
Approved		PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 12th DAY OF August 2026.
CITY OF MORIARTY OFFICIAL SEAL 1902 NEW MEXICO		Steve Anaya, Mayor Attest: Emily Emily Sanchez, Clerk/ Treasurer