

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES**

DATE: December 14, 1998

PRESENT: Brian R. Greenia, Chair, Steven G. Leach, Lee Sturtevant, Phil Locke, Maria Ward.

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT: William Moulton, Richard Keith, Wayne Camley, David Godfrey, David Connelly

OTHERS PRESENT: John Rubino, Scott Corse, Mary Ann Wilson, Lynn Miller, Richard Abare

MINUTES: Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to approve the minutes of the November 30, 1998 meeting as presented. Passed.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

HIGHWAY: J. L. Audy has put the rocks to the back of the grave sites at Pleasant View Cemetery. The culvert at the cemetery needs to be flushed. The Village crew has been putting up wood for next year. The Town crew has sanded and salted last week. The logs are being cut at the pit and Bill has asked permission to sell the logs. The board approved the request. The new culvert on the Garfield road is now complete. Lamare Construction has begun the work on the Town garage, however there are no longer clapboards available to match the rest of the siding. Bill has requested vinyl siding for the East side of the garage to match which would increase the bid by \$3500.00. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to approve the contract change order with an increase of \$3500.00 from the original bid. Passed.

FIRE: All is quiet.

POLICE: The Police Dept. has received about 150 calls with 1 detox transport. Richard is still working on finalizing a contract for a cruiser. Richard is still searching for a part time employee. Richard discussed the moonlighting issue with regards to the record keeping. Carol Bradley informed Richard that it would not be a problem on the bookkeeping end. Richard will discuss this further with Carol.

RESCUE: The Ambulance is short a day time crew chief as he has a broken leg. The Ambulance Dept. will receive an answer from the Selectboard regarding the request for an employee at the 12/28 meeting. Maria will check with Carol B. to see if she has been receiving quarterly information regarding the responses to Elmore. If Carol does not have information then the Ambulance Dept. will submit the number of calls so the town can receive reimbursement from Elmore.

GENERAL GOVT: The Christmas lights look great! Lee asked Scott if Green River is still being drawn down? Not at this time however it may be at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS: The Board has decided to have the discussion regarding the conference room improvements to be rescheduled in February. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to approve the **Personnel Policies** as amended December 14, 1998. Discussion; Thank you Mary Ann for the time and effort put forth for the policies. Passed. Brian made the motion seconded by Steve to implement the amended policies beginning January 1, 1999. Passed. The **budgets** will be discussed during the 12/28/98 meeting. Steve stated that the Town clock is now running. Lee will be attending the FEMA signing this week. Lee will also follow up on the town emergency plan at some point after January. Bill Moulton will be attending the historical bridge preservation meeting at LCPC 12/15. Bill also stated that the estimate on the Sterling Bridge is considerably less than he anticipated at \$175,000.00

NEW BUSINESS: Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to re-name Farm Rd. to **Farm Hill Road** at the request of the owners association. discussion; The McKee farm road will stay the same. The road association is to pay for the replacement road sign. Passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to allow Carol to transfer \$4980.00 from the General acct. to the Med Ded Acct. Passed. The Union Bank will have an air compressor running outside the building from 8pm to 5am for a few days to allow for cleaning of their duct work. The board does not have a problem with the compressor running during this time.

Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to enter into **executive session** at 7:24 p.m. to discuss personnel in the Lister's Department. Maria, Mary Ann, Lynn, and Dick, will remain in the room. Passed. At 7:49 p.m. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to exit the executive session. Passed. Brian made the motion to accept the resignation of Marcia Shafer dated December 10, 1998. The motion was seconded by Lee and it passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to appoint Lynn Miller as interim Lister through Town Meeting Day 1999. discussion; The board would like all Lister to be present at the 12/28 Selectboard meeting at 6:00. Passed.

PAYROLL/BILLS: Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to approve Warrants 98-25 for \$43,830.47 and 98-24 for \$845.72. Passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to approve Payroll dated 12/5/98 for \$20,990.29. Passed.

Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to exit the Selectboard meeting at 7:56 p.m. Passed. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to enter into the meeting of the **Board of Health**. Passed.

John Rubino is in the process of purchasing the Michaelson property on the Randolph Road, however there is not a proper

State health permit for the property. John is asking for an easement from the town as the setbacks for the septic encroach on the town right of way. The easement states that a system failure is the responsibility of the property owner. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to accept the easement for the septic on that property. Passed. SL is opposed as he is not in favor of anything being in the town right of way.

Brian re-opened the regular meeting of the Selectboard at 8:24 p.m. Lee made the motion seconded by Phil to accept the septic easement for John Rubino as accepted in the Board of Health. Passed. SL- opposed for the same reason as above.

Phil made the motion seconded by Lee to adjourn the meeting of the Selectboard at 8:26 pm. Passed.

Maria Ward, Scribe
Minutes filed 12/15/98

Brian Greenia, Chair
Minutes not approved