

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES**

DATE: October 19, 1998

PRESENT: Brian R. Greenia, Chair, Steven G. Leach, Phil Locke, Kenneth E. Grimes, Maria Ward.

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT: William Moulton, Richard Keith, Wayne Camley

OTHERS PRESENT: Don Anderson, David Godfrey, Robert Shattuck, Gary DuBray, Larry Bliss, Bill Rossmassler, Mike Morrow, Marcia Shafer, Amy Noyes

The Chair opened the meeting of the Selectboard at 6:30 p.m.

GUESTS: Bill Rossmassler from LCPC discussed the various outstanding local issues regarding the by-pass which need to be resolved.

Issue #1: Relocation of the B Street bridge. As this is a historical bridge, it has to be relocated and re-used. Ideas regarding the relocation have been previously discussed, however more options are necessary. Bill Moulton suggested contacting the snowmobile clubs for their input.

Issue #2: Bridge Street pedestrian access across the bypass. Four ideas had been discussed regarding this issue, resulting in the decision to create a shelf under the new bypass bridge which can be linked to a pathway to connect with the new B Street bridge.

Issue #3: Pedestrian access from the new Catholic school to downtown. It has been decided to provide an underpass facility under the Historic Route 100 corridor.

Issue #4: Aesthetic design and landscape issue. The 8,12,12,8, design is what the Town would like. Natural screening and earth berms are preferred over fencing when possible.

Wabun Ave./Wilkins St. access: Option #1 is preferred, and the Town will have to take over a portion of road in that area.

Mike Morrow from the LRSWMD discussed the transfer station. The Town does indeed wish to have the recycling continue in Morristown. Brian made the motion to approve the new location near the Grand Union, seconded by Lee. Discussion; Steve asked Mike about the cost of improvements to the site. The improvements are gravel, containers, and plow for \$2500.00. Passed. SL - opposed. Maria will send a letter to LRSWMD stating the Town approval.

Marcia Shafer discussed the Lister's department, the changes due to Act 60, and her desire to cut back her time and eventually retire in the Summer. Marcia will be away from December 15 through February. Maria will place an ad in the paper advertising for a part time Lister to fill a leave of absence.

AA REPORT: If I cannot contact Mike Barbour regarding the trees on the Duhamel property I will contact Ed Yaddow. Brian will contact Gary Nolan to see if a DRB member would be able to open the Zoning office at times when the Zoning Administrator is absent.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

HIGHWAY: The Village will be picking up leaves until the first week of November. The sand has been put up and half of the salt as well. The Town has put up all the salt (about 700 tons). Culverts on Cote Hill and Cole have been changed. The Town will start brush hogging on the Duhamel property. Bill has rented a backhoe/excavator for \$1200.00 per week. Frank Huard has stated to Bill that he will activate his retirement. Bill is waiting for a letter from Frank regarding his retirement. An ad has been placed in the paper for his replacement. Dean will probably be move from the Village to the Town and the new employee would replace Dean's position. The rate of pay will be \$8.75 - \$9.00 per hour. The water problem at the garage has re-occurred. Manosh will pull the pump next Tuesday and will run a camera down the well. Bill will check into the possibility of the problem being caused by local blasting recently. The board agreed that the Highway Department will plow the school if there is a need before the school board awards a bid.

FIRE: This has been a quiet month. The first phase of the Fire prevention has been completed. Wayne will attend a mutual aid meeting Wednesday night to discuss dispatch procedures. The Fire Dept has purchased a new air pack for \$2200.00 and is checking into getting demo packs at 1/2 price. This money is coming from the Fire Department itself. Lee asked if the aerial had been looked at. Yes it has. Brian made the motion seconded by Lee to approve and sign the letter regarding the town support of dry hydrants. Discussion; Brian would like a copy of the agreement between the property owner and the Fire Department. Passed. Both the Fire and Police departments have met with the school officials regarding emergency plans. Lee stated that as the Emergency Management Coordinator he should have been involved, and he will speak with the school officials regarding this.