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MORRISTOWN

SELECTBOARD MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

Members Present: Brian Greenia, James Paige, Mark Struhsacker, Shaun Bryer and Brian Kellogg

Department Heads: Paul D. McGinley, TA; Chief Richard Keith;

Guests: Heidi Krantz, Scott Corse, MW&L; Paul Trudell

Chair Brian Greenia called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM following the Copley Trust meeting at the Morrisville Water & Light Facility.

OLD BUSINESS

MINUTES:

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board accepted the minutes of May 12, 2003 and September 2, 2003 as presented.

APPOINTMENT CERTIFICATE:

The Selectboard signed the MPC Appointment Certificate for John Meyer.

OAK RIDGE ESTATES:

The Town Administrator informed the Selectboard that he had received a letter from Ernie Englehardt, District 6 Transportation Administrator outlining maintenance issues that should be addressed before the Town accepts responsibility for the Oak Ridge Estates private road. A copy of the letter will be sent to Gary Nolan of H. A. Manosh Corp.

JERSEY HEIGHTS UPDATE:

The public hearing date has been set for October 14, 2003 and duly warned and posted. Certified notices have been sent to all property owners and their creditors informing them of this date. The Town Administrator has discussed the condition with Gary Nolan. Further discussion included Phase II of the project also located in the Village limits.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE REVISIONS:

The Administrative Assistant briefly reviewed the revised Ordinances with the Board. She explained the changes that Chief Keith and she had made to the Motor Vehicle

Ordinance (Article 0807-1) and mentioned the newest Ordinance 0807-15 for Truancy that the Morristown Police Department had initiated for approval. The Board was asked to review the entire ordinance packet thoroughly before the next meeting noting any other necessary changes that should be considered.

OTHER BUSINESS

HEALTH OFFICER:

The Board acknowledged a letter from the Town's Health Officer pertaining to the Cole property. The matter will be addressed after the regular Selectboard meeting in a Board of Health meeting.

ANIMAL CONTROL ISSUE:

The Board acknowledged a September 14th letter from Ann Bjerke regarding difficulties with her neighbor's dogs leading up to one of them biting her arm leaving four puncture wounds which required medical treatment. Brian Kellogg gave a brief explanation of events prior to the bite. Discussion included the impoundment of the animal for the required ten days. Scott Corse and Chief Keith arrived at this time.

The Board agreed that an Animal Control Hearing was required and was scheduled for the next regular Selectboard meeting on September 29, 2003. Notice will be sent to the dog's owner via the Morristown Police Department as well as by Certified mail with return receipt. Ms. Bjerke will also be notified of the upcoming meeting. Brian Kellogg as Animal Control Officer will continue to work on the problem.

GUESTS

HEIDI KRANTZ:

Community Coordinator Heidi Krantz reviewed handouts she had given to the Board regarding *Downtown Designation*, and various committees and their functions. The committee previously called Morristown Community Partnership is now named Morristown Alliance for Culture and Commerce otherwise referred to as MACC. An organizational chart depicting MACC's Board of Directors, the Design Committee, Promotion Committee and the Economic Restructuring Committee along with each members name and contact number was reviewed. Heidi gave a brief synopsis of each committee's function, projects and goals that have been set.

The revised application for Downtown Designation will be presented for the Board's approval at the next meeting.

Heidi also provided each Board member with a revised brochure on the upcoming Public Forums. After much searching for a location to host these Forums, due to the lack of a Town Hall meeting room, one has been found. Each of the Forums will be held at the Puffer United Methodist Church on Upper Main Street.

Sewer Agreement - Wayne Fawbush called Heidi today questioning the status of the Interlocal Sewerage Agreement. After much discussion, it was determined that a copy of the agreement developed by Mike Stafford should be distributed to all Selectboard members and Village Trustees for review before the next meeting.

Scott Corse stated that the Village Trustees had discussed the agreement and would like to meet and discuss a wider range of issues than just sewer. Chair Greenia felt it would be better to address issues independently rather than many at one time.

Chair Greenia asked M. Struhsacker to give his views on the project at the next meeting as he had attended the meetings. Mr. Struhsacker felt he hadn't absorbed enough from the meetings to do so. Heidi advised that she would help Mark review the information.

Shaun Bryer asked Scott Corse if the Village Trustees would be willing to discuss the agreement without discussing other issues. Mr. Corse said the Trustees may not be willing to sign any agreement and that the agreement they had seen was not acceptable.

The Administrative Assistant offered to get a copy of the agreement from Mr. Stafford and forward on to both the Selectboard and the Village Trustees to make sure both Boards have the same information.

The first *Public Forum* will address the space needs of the Town Offices. Mark Leonard, Mary Ann Wilson and Judith Harris have been working on the issues that will be discussed. Everyone should plan on attending. Heidi left at this time.

OTHER ISSUES

SEPTIC ISSUES ON COTTAGE STREET:

The Town Administrator informed the Board of septic repair concerns on Cottage Street as well as paving that needs to be done before the asphalt plant closes for the season. The Board instructed the TA to send a letter to J. L. Audy.

TRANSPORTATION ISSUES:

Mention was made of a September 30th meeting at 7:30 PM for an AOT presentation via Vermont Interactive Television that would be well if a Selectboard representative attended. There will also be a TAC meeting next week.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

Having been on vacation, the TA did not have a written report for the Board. He gave a brief rundown of Highway projects and discussed future issues to be considered for Budget meetings.

Other issues discussed were the Rules & Regulations for PVC, Bill's policy for gravel for driveways, use of Highway facilities for working on private vehicles and the hiring of the current temporary Highway employee, which will be discussed at a future time.

The Administrative Assistant informed the Board that the names of the two Highway retirees had been submitted to VMHA for recognition.

The Ordinance packet was further discussed at this time. A public hearing will be scheduled after the Board has adopted the Ordinances. Notice will be posted for the required time for viewing in the Administration Office.

The TA advised that the matter of the replacement shared (Town Clerk and Fiscal Officer) hire is being revisited.

WARRANTS

On a motion by Brian Kellogg, seconded by James Paige, the Board authorized payment of the warrants as listed on the Memorandum dated 09/15/03. (Attached)

GENERAL OPEN DISCUSSION

Chair Greenia advised the Board for the need to be organized in order to be able to discuss the Town Hall space needs at the upcoming Public Forum. The TA stated that the site location will be the biggest topic at this time, not the cost. He advised there would be a hearing later on to address cost issues.

ADJOURN

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Mark Struhsacker, the Selectboard adjourned at 7:46 PM and resumed the meeting as the Board of Health.

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

On a motion by James Paige, seconded by Brian Kellogg, the Board authorized the letter reviewed earlier to be sent to the Clifford & Betty Lou Cole.

Discussion included the need for Board of Health to be included under their signatures.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Shaun Bryer, seconded by Mark Struhsacker, the Board of Health adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted and filed this 18th day of September 2003.
Barbara Cochran, Administrative Assistant

Minutes to be presented for approval at the next Selectboard meeting.

Barbara Cochran 9/29/03
Minutes Approved Date

Memorandum

To: Selectboard

From: Carol L. Bradley, Bookkeeper

Date: 09/15/03

Re: Warrants presented for Board Meeting on September 15, 2003

General Fund:

Warrant #03011– PR Related Invoices from pay PPE 09/06/03	$ 3,211.55
Warrant #03012- AP Unpaid Invoices due 09/16/03	$ 34,520.32
Payroll Warrant for pay period ending 09/06/03 - Pd 09/10/03	$ 29,092.29

Other Funds:

VCDP GRANT

Warrant #SEP03 for Manual checks for Sept 2003	$ 1,545.00

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN SELECT BOARD

PLEASE SIGN IN

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