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MORRISTOWN

JOINT SELECTBOARD/ VILLAGE TRUSTEE MEETING OF

July 15, 2009

Present: Brian Kellogg, Todd Yando, Bob Beeman and Dave Yacovone, Dan Lindley, Ed Debor, Tim Sargent, Dana Wildes, Craig Myotte, Jim Fontaine, Peter Bourne.

Meeting was called to order at 6:10PM in the Tegu Building Community Meeting room by Brian Kellogg, acting Chair.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Town Sewer Reserve Allocation**- discussed capacity of the new sewer plant. At the last meeting with the Trustees, the Selectboard had indicated they would need 50,000 gallons of capacity. The new plant is estimated at 190,000 gallons of capacity. At this time the Selectboard feels that they don't need an allocation of capacity. The Village is developing a plan to help stabilize the rates for current users. The Village has been contacted by Hyde Park due to their leach field being full; they may want to hook on to the Village's new plant. This could offset some of the cost for users. Ed Debor thought there should be one set of zoning bylaws for both the Village and the Town and it should state "if you are within 200 ft. of the sewer line then you have to hook on". This would insure that we get users. There are currently fees associated with the hooking on to the sewer which consist of an allocation fee as well as the monthly charge.
2. **Potential Sewer Line Extension**- Dan Lindley said that the Hearth Stone Scoping study is complete. We could possibly get a rural development grant for the sewer extension project. The full cost would be approximately about $100,000. The Town can only get 45%, the Village can get 75%. The Town could pursue the grant on behalf of the Village if all are in agreement. Both Selectboard and Village thought it a good idea to apply for the grant. By extending the sewer line to Hearthstone it creates revenue for the Town/Village as well as making the property more valuable for the owners.
3. **Joint Infrastructure Planning for BED**- Discussed financing options for infrastructure. Could we possibly get the State to lay the lines while they are building the bypass? Dan thought that maybe they would sleeve the abutments and lay lines under the bridge, but anything that would modify the construction of the project could be an issue. The Trustees thought we should do some planning to see how things are going to lay out with the business park Selectboard was in agreement. Dana Wildes thought we need should think about what we can offer business owners to come into the park as well as the downtown area that would entice them. He thought that for the downtown we could offer tax abatement for some of the unused storefronts for new business owners, an allocation fee paid upfront on behalf of the proprietor and a stream lined application process. For the BED we could possibly offer payments over time, stream lined application process as well as the upfront allocation fees.
4. **Road Repairs**- Dan Lindley, Town Administrator mentioned that there have been some issues with repairs down to Town Roads. When work in being done in a road, it needs time to settle

before pavement is put on. Pavement is being put on too soon and this causes dips in the pavement.

5. **Other Business**-Dave Yacovone offered our community meeting room to the Trustees so that they could use the video system. He also mentioned it might be helpful to have a Selectboard member on their Board to help keep the lines of communications open. There is currently a vacancy and one of the Selectboard members could fill in until a replacement is found which would be in April at the Annual Village meeting. Members thought this would be a good idea and Bob Beeman stated that he might be able to do it.

II. ADJOURN

Motion made by Bob Beeman, seconded by Tim Sargent to adjourn meeting at 7:40PM. Motion approved. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 16th day of July 2009
Erica Reed, Administrative Assistant

Please note that all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise stated.