

**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
SELECT BOARD
MINUTES**

June 28, 1999

Member Present: Brian Greenia, Steve Leach, Phil Locke and Don Anderson

Department Heads: Bill Moulton, Richard Keith, Wayne Camley, Mary Ann Wilson, Carol Bradley, Dotty Cook, and Ken Sweetser

Other Present: Joe Wilkins, George Cook, Min Cote, Gary Seelinger, Margaret Seelinger, Bill Brown, Paul Newton, and Kristin Newton, Bud Geary.

Brian Greenia, Chair opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Guests:

Planning Commission: George Robson explained about the design charrette, that the Planning Commission would like to hold in October and requested \$500. They will be looking at the downtown and connecting it to the north end of town. The charrette will be made up of architects, planners from around the state who will volunteer their services for a day. The Orton foundation would like to shoot a video of Morrisville/Morristown. There will be no cost to the town other than a small amount of staff time. They would like to do also a virtual reality software program of Morrisville/ Morristown that would include photographing buildings to build a three dimensional look at the town and Village where building could be added or removed. There would be no cost except staff time and they will assist in training and hardware needed.

Paul and Kristin Newton: The Newton's own property on Cote Hill and wish to have the power and phone line under the highway. They presented the Board with maps and a video, of their property.

They are having difficulty getting permission to place poles on neighboring properties.

Bill Moulton explained about other lines and if approved he requested the lines be at least eight feet deep and encased in concrete.

Brian made a motion to approve putting lines under the road at least eight feet deep, and encased in concrete and electrical box be out of the road right of way. Phil seconded the motion. Brian yes, Phil yes, Steve no, Don no, the motion failed.

Gary and Margaret Seelinger: The Seelinger's live on Beaver Meadows Road. They have recently installed a fence in the road right of way. They have had an existing stone wall that was built about ten years ago. They have cut trees and brush back along the road. They are willing to pull the fence in the winter time if requested by the Town.

Bill Moulton said the stone wall was behind the mail box and had been there for about ten years.

The fence at its closest point is less than 15 feet from the centerline of the road. It may not be the problem of plowing, however it is when they crowd the snow back and the post get rotten then the fence will get broken over.

Brian explained that the Select Board instructed the Planning Commission to write regulations on

selection committee who is now wants a second rescue truck.

Rescue: Dotty Cook reported to the Board that Dave and Michelle Conley have resigned, Chris Anderson their scheduling office has also resigned. Marge Miller will help out with scheduling. They have many holes in the schedule in July due to vacations. Lamoille Ambulance will be covering 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Mondays and Fridays. Various staffing options were discussed. They would like to purchase a few items from the surplus. A new computer in the 350 to 400 Mhz range that will be about \$ 1,100 dollars, a pediatric back board for \$ 300., a 4' X 20 rubber rug runner for \$ 500., a 27" television with built in VCR for \$ 600., an AV cart for \$ 320., three folding tables for \$ 400., a new desk for \$ 500., new supply cabinets for \$ 1,000 for a total of \$ 4,800 dollars. They would like to hire an assistant to do paper work for 6 to 8 hours a week for not more than \$ 3,000 a year. This position is not in the budget. If approved by the Select Board the Rescue Squad must come back to the Select Board before purchasing any the above items.

Health Officer: A few complaints have come in on landlords which were not health issues but landlord tenant matters. Some complaints on people burning rubbish and one complaint of a cat bite from a cat suspected of being bitten by a rabid fox, which David sent the person to Copley Hospital.

Scott Course: Scott asked about power use on the oxbow. They put in a single outlet for the corn roast in last year, but with the tent revival coming in July, if they need power the service needs to be upgraded. If they up grade the service then the people using the facility would have to pay the metered use for said period. The Board would like the power to remain the same as they envision small limited uses on the oxbow and the people with the tent revival can rent generators or supply their own. Scott informed the Board that the Water and Light has purchased the Godfrey property.

General Government: Mary Ann presented the contract between the Union Bank and the Town for borrowing in anticipation of tax revenue. This went out to bid and all three bank that do business in Morrisville bided on the contract. The Union Bank give many benefits to the town and Mary Ann suggested going with Union Bank.

Don made a motion to go with the Union Bank and to sign the supporting documents.

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Counter top bids no one bid on the project. They contacting Dave Fossiano and he agree to get the counter top from Country Home Center and he would be willing to do the installation and upgrading of the counter.

Don made a motion to go with Dave Fossiano to do the work for \$ 550, and that the Town purchase the counter top from Country Home Center.

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Duhammel pit surplus money from 1998 of \$178,000., should this be keep in the Union Bank account or moved to the Merchants investment account.

Brian made a motion to keep in the Union Bank until July 26th when the next report is due from the Merchants Bank and then decide where it will grow the most.

Snow Mobile Club: Min Cote requested permission to up grade the Darling Road class four section by cutting brush, grading the road and adding water bars.

Brian made a motion to approve their request.

Don seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Surplus: Carol and Mary Ann projected the surplus to be \$ 233,200. The Select Board proposed to spend the following list from the surplus:

1. \$ 10,000 Book Keep Assistant (16 hrs a week)
 2. \$ 16,564 Police Department (cruiser payment, carpet, and copier)
\$ 9,800 Rescue Department (equipment subject to Select Board approval, back pay and administrative assistant 6-8 hrs a week)
 3. \$ 700 conference room chairs (two chairs)
 4. \$ 1,500 Library repairs (plaster repairs)
\$ 69,700 Highway Department (liquid chloride, bag chloride and rest to bridge construction)
 5. \$ 500 Charrette (architect and planners workshop)
- Total \$108,764

The remaining surplus is projected to be \$ 124,436.

Don made a motion to approve the surplus request and that \$ 75,000 go to reduce taxes with the remained to go to the Duhammel Pit pay down fund.

Phil seconded the motion the motion passed three to one with Steve opposed for the following reason. The book keep assistant was not thought out and other options were not explored.

Don moved to approve the warrants numbers 99-25, 99-23, 99-24, 99-06 as presented.

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Don made a motion to adjourn the Select Board meeting at 10:02 PM

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Liquor Control Board:

Don moved to go into the Liquor Control Board at 10:03 PM

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Don moved to approve the application for Kross Brewing.

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Don made a motion to adjourn the Liquor Control Board at 10:12 PM

Phil seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectful Submitted,

Kenneth J. Sweetser, scribe.

Minutes not approved,
Brian Greenia, Chair