

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 26, 2000

PRESENT: Don A, Steve L, Brian G-Chair, Jim P, Lee S

DEPT. HEADS: Bill M, Larry P, Bud G, Wally R, MaryAnn W

GUESTS: Burt Allaire, Mike Stafford, Bill Lizotte, Michael (Min) Cote, Jennifer Geary

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

HIGHWAY REPORT:

Village crew has been mowing grass and working on crosswalks. Town crew has been graveling & mowing roadsides. The \$55,000 was received for last year's State grant for work on the Cadys Falls Road. Bill received a letter from the State for approval to fix the Bridge near Tomlinsons (to be taken out of culvert and bridge moneys). The Town will need to contribute \$11,666 towards this project. A letter was also received from the State saying towns can now apply for grant money to fix bridges – Bill will coordinate applying for repair of the Sterling Valley Bridge. Bill & Carol have worked on receiving discounts for uniforms & carpets (total savings will be approximately 50%). Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to enter into an agreement with Unifirst for uniforms. Passed.

POLICE:

Department has been busy between normal duties and helping out with traffic control for the paving project. Two issues were brought to the Board during the week – speeding on Congress Street (this is hard to enforce, as the street is not posted) and 2 incidents of damage of personal property.

FIRE:

The valve on the 14E2 is still unrepaired – there is difficulty getting the part as manufacturers have changed. The mechanic has recommended changing to a 4" ¼ turn valve purchased from Alcart or Akron – cost will be approximately \$1600.

HEALTH: NO REPORT

RESCUE:

The dept. purchased 2 new radios. The person who completes the scheduling has resigned – Marge Miller has offered to help out in the interim. Bud has received the 4th request in 2 days for Leave of Absences. This will result in the squad having to rely on Lamoille for backup.

ANIMAL CONTROL: NO REPORT

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

MaryAnn brought in the Tax Anticipation Note for signing (as authorized at the last Board meeting). There will be a Tax Sale on July 6th at 10:00am. There will be a BCA meeting on July 6th at 5:30pm. Don made the motion seconded by Lee to enter into an agreement with R. F. Lavigne in the amount of \$2,900 for an audit. Passed.

GUESTS:

Michael Cote was present requesting permission for the Lamoille County Snowpackers to build a bridge on Town property above David Rooney's. VAST will pay for the cost if permission is granted and a water quality permit will be given to the Town. Brian made the motion seconded by Don to provide a letter granting permission for the Lamoille County Snowpackers to build a bridge at Mud Brook contingent upon all permits being turned in prior to any work beginning. Passed.

Burt Allaire was present to speak with the Board regarding appointment as an LCPC Board member. Steve made the motion seconded by Don to appoint Burt Allaire as a representative for the Town on the LCPC Board. Passed.

Mike Stafford & Bill Lizotte were present as representatives for the Recreation Trails Committee. The committee has discovered some trails they would like to open to the public. They would like to create an official Recreational Trail Program supported by the Town. Trail maintenance would be done with volunteer help, boy scouts, etc. (Catamount, Green Mountain and the Longtrail all have trails that run through Morristown.) The Board stated liability issues for the Town as well as property owners would need to be looked into before any decisions could be made. VLCT will be contacted and discussion will resume at the next Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board discussed fuel bids and will try to extend the contract with the current vendor. Don and Carol will follow up with necessary paperwork.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to approve the minutes of the June 12th Board meeting as written. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bell Atlantic has requested permission to do work in the Town's R.O.W. on Garfield Road – TH 18. The packet will be sent back to Bell Atlantic without a signature as there is another issue pending.

The vendor license for Holy Cross Church will be tabled until the next meeting due to lack of information.

Todd Shonio submitted a request for 2 permits for fireworks. Lee made the motion seconded by Steve to issue 2 fireworks permits (one for July 1st and the other for July 4th) to Todd Shonio. Passed.

The Board received a request from Dorothy & Don Williams for a refund of \$205.42 for delinquent tax fees. Steve made the motion seconded by Lee to grant the \$205.42 refund. Opposed unanimously. Motion dies.

Jennifer Geary requested Board members participate in the judging of 4th of July parade floats as well as a member be in the front of the parade representing the Town. Brian, Lee & Steve will help judge the floats and Don will represent the Board in the parade.