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MORRISTOWN

SELECTBOARD MEETING OF June 4, 2007

Members Present:	Shaun Bryer, Steve Bousquet, Brian Kellogg, Todd Yando David Yacovone.
Department Heads:	David Crawford; Town Administrator, Bob Melfy; Highway Superintendent and Chief Richard Keith.
Guests:	Chris Ransom, Michael Hendon, Beverly Potter, Heather Ruttenberg, Deanna Wood, Peter Guiham, Jean Condon, Barbara Damon.

Shaun Bryer called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM at the Municipal Meeting Room.

AGENDA CHANGES & ADDITIONS

- CERT Trailer Update
- Deanna Wood-MACC Sign Project
- Consent Agenda- Sewer Permitting

GUESTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. *Chris Ransom*: issues discussed included lack of garden space, parking lot run off into gardens, and abundance of soccer fields. He also expressed concern for the newly planted trees in the park; he felt that further down the road they may become a safety concern. Chris also discussed Ideas for floats for the 4th of July Parade. He felt that having a theme would better serve the community. Board noted a theme had already been chosen for 2007.

2. Deanna Wood: presented ideas for new signs to replace the old signs by Paines Christmas Trees and Lamoille Valley Transportation and also for a new sign for the Wolcott to Morristown line. Deanna also suggested changing "Welcome to Morristown" to "Welcome to Morrisville" The Board favored using the current "Welcome to Morristown" on the new signs at the current location and having new "Welcome to Morrisville" signs near the village limits.

Motion made by Steve Bousquet, seconded by Brian Kellogg; to explore possibilities to replace old signs in their current locations and add a sign for the Wolcott/ Morrisville town line. Motion approved. (5/0)

3. LC/CERT: representatives Beverly Potter and Heather Ruttenberg presented an update on the CERT trailer that was purchased through a state grant. The 6x8 trailer housed at the Lamoille County Sheriffs Department will hold extra gear and will only be used in case of extreme emergencies. The CERT team is asking the Town to act as a fiscal agent to oversee the registration, inspection, insurance and maintenance of the trailer. The CERT team will call the administration office with more details. Approval was done in motion via telephone on May 28, 2007 all members approved.

OLD BUSINESS
1. Lamoille County Planning Commission position vacancy. Heidi Krantz and Dave Crawford were the only applicants. Brief discussion held by Board.

Motion made by Steve Bousquet, seconded by Dave Yacovone; to nominate Heidi Krantz for the vacant Lamoille County Planning Commission position. Motion approved. (5/0)

Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Brian Kellogg to accept resignation with regret from Fred Latour. Motion approved. (5/0)

NEW BUSINESS
1. ***Oxbow Use Permit:*** Board discussed concerns brought forth by Gene Condon. Gene felt that there were conflicting issues with the use if the soccer fields and also the "dog walkers". She suggested there should be a specific area for a dog park either at the Oxbow or at another location; the Board agreed. The Board tentatively set their July 2, 2007 meeting to invite the community in to discuss options for a "dog park" at another location, and to discuss other recreation activity co-ordination.

2. ***Public Access Television***: Discussion held regarding whether or not the Selectboard meeting should be video taped or not. Dave Yacovone clarified what he meant at the previous meeting about a "live drop" his intention was not necessarily to purchase equipment but to have a way to tape the meetings and send them to public access. Michael Hendon discussed River Arts being the main feed for the live broadcasting for the Town and also for Puffer Church. Shaun discussed that there needs to be a "real need" for a live drop in order for Comcast to justify the expense to install one. Chris Ransom volunteered to tape the meetings and will get the training needed to sign out the equipment from the Public Access studio. Shaun will explore the cost of getting Town owned equipment to be able to record or broadcast live from the Municipal Meeting Room.

3. Town Administrator, Dave Crawford gave an update on the Downtown Sidewalks & Underground Power Projects: Eastside is coming along well. The Westside is moving forward; we are working out the details with the Union Bank. The cost of the project is projected to be $50,000-55,000. The underground power is a new proposal that Water and Light Department has estimated the cost to be over $100,000. The Town will be submitting a grant application to offset the total cost of the project. It is proposed that the Union Bank will fund a significant portion of the cost with the Town Highway Department providing in kind work.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion made by Dave Yacovone, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve the consent agenda as presented except that the Use of Town Credit Card policy be held for a future Selectboard meeting meeting.

Items included in Consent Agenda:
- Approval of Minutes of previous meetings.
- Warrants of June 4, 2007.
- Confirm Phone Approval of CERT Trailer Grant Application
- Approval of Storm Water Permit & Grant Application(s)
- Approval of Right of Way Permits.
- Approval of administrative Policies.
- Correspondence in Reading File.

SELECTBOARD CONCERNS
None

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
Written Report submitted to Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
On a motion by Todd Yando, seconded by Steve Bousquet the Board entered into Executive Session for the purpose of Contractual Negotiations to include Town Administrator, David Crawford and Chief Richard Keith at 8:45 PM. Motion passed unanimously (5/0).
On a motion by Todd Yando, seconded by Brian Kellogg the Board came out of Executive Session and entered Open Session at 9:45 PM. Motion passed unanimously (5/0).

ADJOURN
On a Motion by Todd Yando, seconded by Brian Kellogg the Board adjourned their meeting at 9:45 PM. Motion passed unanimously (5/0).

Respectfully submitted and filed this 5th day of June, 2007.

Erica Reed; Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved   Date